

MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Brian Lewis, Chairman; Pablo Tagle, III, Past Chairman; Adrian Villarreal, Vice Chairman; Commissioner Tony Aguirre, Angelica LaGrange; Michael Fallek; Robert Norman; Nick Rhodes; Raquel M. Hochman; Francly Jones.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

Mayor Javier Villalobos; Annie Holand-Miller; Trey Pebley.

STAFF

Isaac Tawil, City Manager; City Attorney Austin Stevenson; Elizabeth Suarez, President/CEO; Alberto Garza; Ralph Garcia; Josh Vasquez; Susie Flores; Roy Cantu; Michael Luna; Leticia Hagert.

1. Call to Order

Chairman Brian Lewis called the meeting to order at 12:04 PM. A quorum was present.

ROUTINE ITEMS

2. Approval of Minutes – November 18 2025

A Motion to approve the minutes was made by Angelica LaGrange and seconded by Nick Rhodes. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Financials – December

The December Financial report was presented to the Board. A motion to approve was made by Nick Rhodes and seconded by Adrian Villarreal. The motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board entered Executive Session at 12:17 p.m. in accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code to discuss permitted matters. The Board reconvened in Open Session at 12:27 p.m. No action was taken as a result of Executive Session.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

4. Monthly Update

The President and MEDC staff provided a high-level update regarding:

- Ongoing business retention and expansion (BRE) activities.
- The status of the active project pipeline and general industry mix.
- Workforce development coordination and regional partnerships.

- Recent and upcoming outreach, marketing, and engagement efforts.

No specific project details were discussed in open session. Staff also provided general updates on upcoming events and current communication strategies related to MEDC initiatives.

OTHER ITEMS

5. Future Agenda Items

No future agenda items were requested.

6. Comments


General comments were provided regarding ongoing coordination efforts and community engagement initiatives.

7. Meeting Adjournment

With no further business, Chairman Brian Lewis adjourned the meeting at 12:45 p.m. A motion to adjourn was made by Nick Rhodes and seconded by Tony Aguirre. The motion carried unanimously.

CERTIFICATION

I, Brian Lewis, Chairman of the McAllen Economic Development Corporation, certify that these minutes accurately reflect the actions taken during the Board of Directors meeting.



Brian Lewis
Chairman
McAllen Economic Development Corporation