



**NOTICE THAT A REGULAR CALLED MEETING OF THE
SAN JUAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Location: San Juan City Hall
E.O.C. Room (2nd Floor)
512 S. Nebraska Ave.
San Juan, Texas 78589

**Monday, September 22, 2025
6:00 PM**

At any time during the course of this meeting, the San Juan EDC Board of Directors may convene into Executive Session under Texas Government Code Section §551.071 (2) to consult with its legal counsel on any subject matter on this agenda in which the duty of the attorney to the Board of Directors under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code. Further, at any time during the course of this meeting, the San Juan EDC Board of Directors may retire to Executive Session to deliberate on any subject slated for discussion at this meeting, as may be permitted under one or more of the exceptions to the Open Meetings Act set forth in Title 5, Subtitle A, Chapter 551, Subchapter D of the Texas Government Code. On matters requiring a public hearing, all persons desiring to speak during a public hearing shall sign in with the presiding clerk prior to the scheduled public hearing.

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

V. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

VI. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ALL OF THE FOLLOWING MATTERS:

1. Discussion and Possible Action, if any, on "Downtown Revitalization Plan."
2. Discussion and possible action on the approval of the San Juan EDC Fiscal Year Budget 2025-2026.
3. Discussion and Possible Action, if any, on Sponsoring of PSJA ISD John Doedyns Elementary for the September Childhood Cancer Awareness Month.
4. Discussion and Possible Action, if any, on Sponsoring of St. John Baptist Catholic Church Annual Jamaica Event on October 12, 2025.
5. Discussion and Possible Action, if any, on Sponsoring Dia de los Muertos Festival on November 1, 2025 from 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consider approval of the EDC meeting minutes:
-August 19, 2025

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. The San Juan Economic Development Corporation will Convene in Executive Session, in Accordance with Texas Open Meeting Act, Vernon Statutes and Codes Annotated, Government Code Chapter §551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) and Texas Government Code §551.087 Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations and Texas Government Code §551.074 Personnel Matters.
 - A. Pursuant to Section §551.071, Consultation with Attorney and Economic Development Negotiations; Section §551.087 Deliberation, and Possible action

on retaining Dr. Fernando Castillo's services.

- B. Pursuant to Section §551.074 Personnel Matters; Discussion Regarding the Appointment and Employment of the Executive EDC Director.

IX. RECONVENE

1. The San Juan Economic Development Corporation will Reconvene into Open Session to Take Necessary Action, if any, in Accordance with Chapter 551, Open Meeting Subchapter E, Procedures Relating to Closed Meeting 551, Requirements to Vote or Take Final Action in Open Meeting.
 - A. Pursuant to Section §551.071, Consultation with Attorney and Economic Development Negotiations; Section §551.087 Deliberation, and Possible action on retaining Dr. Fernando Castillo's services.
 - B. Pursuant to Section §551.074 Personnel Matters; Discussion Regarding the Appointment and Employment of the Executive EDC Director.

X. ADJOURNMENT

I, the undersigned authority, do certify that the above agenda of said regular meeting/workshop of the San Juan Economic Development Corporation is a true and current copy, and that said notices were posted at San Juan City Hall, 512 S. Nebraska Ave., San Juan, TX, San Juan EDC office, and San Juan EDC website, www.sanjuanedc.com at a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public, at all times, and said notice was posted on the 16th of September, 2025, and will remain posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of the said meeting in compliance with Chapter 551 Texas Government Code (Open Meeting Act).



Jorge J. Garcia, CFM
Interim Executive Director
San Juan Economic Development Corporation

AGENDA ITEM AND RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY
EDC BOARD REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 22, 2025

Discussion and Possible Action, if any, on "Downtown Revitalization Plan."

STAFF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

This item is asked to stay on the agenda until the project is complete, as per the EDC Board.

RECOMMENDATION:

PREPARED BY:

Martha Patterson,
Administrative
Assistant III

APPROVED BY:

Jorge Garcia, CFM. Interim Executive
Director

AGENDA ITEM AND RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY
EDC BOARD REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 22, 2025

Discussion and possible action on the approval of the San Juan EDC Fiscal Year Budget 2025–2026.

STAFF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Discussion and possible action on the approval of the San Juan EDC Fiscal Year Budget 2025–2026, including any recommendations made by the EDC Board.

RECOMMENDATION:

PREPARED BY:

Martha Patterson,
Administrative
Assistant III

APPROVED BY:

Jorge Garcia, CFM. Interim Executive
Director

AGENDA ITEM AND RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY
EDC BOARD REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 22, 2025

Discussion and Possible Action, if any, on Sponsoring of PSJA ISD John Doedyns Elementary for the September Childhood Cancer Awareness Month.

STAFF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Doedyns Elementary Pre-K grades are hosting a *Beanie and Mitten Donation Drive* throughout the month of September in observance of Childhood Cancer Awareness Month. They are requesting a donation from the EDC to support their efforts.

All donated items will be gifted to children battling cancer to help keep them warm and comforted.

Please note that the EDC has not donated to this event in the past.

RECOMMENDATION:

PREPARED BY:

Martha Patterson,
Administrative
Assistant III

APPROVED BY:

Jorge Garcia, CFM. Interim Executive
Director



PSJA ISD



SEPTEMBER IS

CHILDHOOD CANCER

AWARENESS MONTH

Our Pre-K grade level will be hosting a Beanie and Mitten Donation Drive throughout the month of September.

All donations will be gifted to children battling cancer to help keep them warm and comforted. Thank you for your donations.



AGENDA ITEM AND RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY
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SEPTEMBER 22, 2025

Discussion and Possible Action, if any, on Sponsoring of St. John Baptist Catholic Church Annual Jamaica Event on October 12, 2025.

STAFF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

St. John Catholic Church submitted a request for a donation to support their Annual Jamaica Event scheduled for October 12, 2025. The EDC has previously sponsored this event for \$1,000.00.

RECOMMENDATION:

PREPARED BY:

Martha Patterson,
Administrative
Assistant III

APPROVED BY:

Jorge Garcia, CFM. Interim Executive
Director



St. John The Baptist Catholic Church

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August 20, 2025

San Juan EDC
512 S. Nebraska
San Juan, Texas 78589

To whom it may concern:

I pray that you and your loved ones are doing well. We at St. John's Parish are excited for our annual Jamaica that will be on October 12th this year.

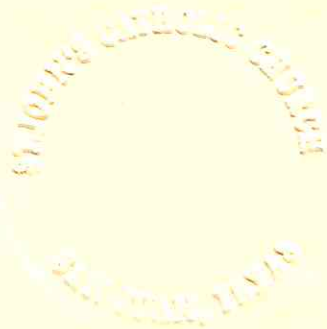
With this letter we are encouraging all our Sponsors to participate, we will greatly appreciate the City of San Juan EDC to provide a sponsorship of \$1000.

I thank you in advance for your generosity, if you have any questions, Please call me at 956-783-1196.

Blessings!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Manuel Alfredo Razo Canales', written over a circular embossed stamp.

Rev. Manuel Alfredo Razo Canales, STD
Pastor



AGENDA ITEM AND RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY
EDC BOARD REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 22, 2025

Discussion and Possible Action, if any, on Sponsoring Dia de los Muertos Festival on November 1, 2025 from 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

STAFF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Downtown San Juan Cultural Arts District and the City of San Juan will be hosting the **2nd Annual Día De Los Muertos Festival on Saturday, November 1, 2025, from 4:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.** at the **San Juan Municipal Park.**

This year marks the **first time the San Juan EDC Board will be sponsoring this event.**

RECOMMENDATION:

PREPARED BY:

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APPROVED BY:

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ARTS

DISTRICT



DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS



SPONSORSHIP PACKAGE



DIA DE LOS MUERTOS

FESTIVAL

Dear Amigo/Amiga,

Once again, the bells are ringing in the Downtown San Juan Cultural Arts District and we are excited to showcase what we have in store this season, as this is our second annual Dia de Los Muertos Festival, and it's bigger and better! Taking a page from our Mexican heritage, Dia de Los Muertos is a rich and significant tradition that dates to the Aztec culture and has continued to be recognized worldwide amongst Hispanic families honoring the dead on All Souls Day, celebrated once a year on November 1- 2nd. This year, we welcome families to congregate together at our Dia de Los Muertos Festival on November 1st in Downtown San Juan, at San Juan Municipal Park to honor the loving memory of their deceased loved ones with a day filled with festivities, good food, music, and laughter that our loved ones alive -and dead- rightfully deserve. In collaboration with the City of San Juan and the Basilica of Our Lady of San Juan, we have an excellent line-up of activities, including a *Muertos 5k*, alfombras de aserrin, Mercado de la Catrina, La Catrina's Cantina, the largest public ofrenda in the Nation, a candle-light vigil, and a beautiful mariachi concert featuring the Queen of Mariachi, Aida Cuevas! With your support, we can continue to enhance and inspire an appreciation of the arts, history, spirituality, and culture that celebrates the community of San Juan such as events as these. Not only, will this event enrich our community in an inclusive environment with a deep understanding of our Mexican heritage, but also a provide a sense of spirituality that will allow the living to heal as we honor and celebrate the memory of their deceased friends, family, and pets in the true authentic cultural spirit of Dia de Los Muertos. Please join us as we will be celebrating Life & Death in Downtown San Juan. We hope to see you there!

¡Viva la Vida (y los Muertos)!

Miriam Gelman, Founder





DIA DE LOS MUERTOS FESTIVAL

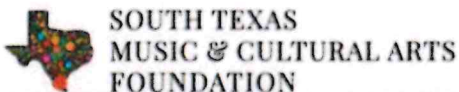
Dear Friends and Patrons,

I am proud to partner with the Downtown San Juan Cultural Arts District and the Basilica of San Juan in celebration of our deceased loved ones (“El Dia de los Muertos”) for this special commemorative event! This fabulous concert features great classical musicians for the opening of the concert and showcases the legendary Reina del Mariachi of Mexico, Aida Cuevas, with the UTRGV award-winning Mariachi Aztlán for the second half of the concert.

As a classically trained musician and concert pianist, I have devoted my life to promoting the value of the creative and liberal arts in education and to empowering our community through the beauty and power of the Arts. I am most proud of being the founder of the nationally renowned Mariachi Aztlán and of receiving the Ohtli Award in 2021, the highest honor bestowed by the Government of Mexico to individuals or organizations that have worked to empower the Mexican diaspora and helped to “open the path” for new Mexican American and Hispanic generations in the cultural arts and education.

Your donations make it possible to bring world class artists to our community with your sponsorship of the South Texas Music and Cultural Arts Foundation. I created this foundation to preserve, promote and celebrate the cultural heritage of the Rio Grande Valley, including the music of the mariachi genre, and to become a hub for promoting the arts and cultural appreciation in our culturally diverse community. The foundation also raises scholarship funds for arts students. Throughout the years, many of my past mariachi students have gone on to become doctors, educators, lawyers and other business professionals, and a good number have become music educators in the public schools, directing their own mariachi programs. My goal is to spark creativity and build lasting connections with community participants and nonprofit organizations through impactful and inclusive arts initiatives, and to enhance the lives of individuals for South Texas through initiatives that celebrates cultural richness. Thank you for your support and enjoy this great concert!! ; Viva la Musica!

Dr. Dahlia Guerra, Founder



Sponsorship Application

If you'd like to become a sponsor, please fill out this form to let us know. Sponsorship deadline is **October 17, 2025**. If we do not have your form, payment, and logo, we cannot guarantee to include you in our marketing materials. Once we receive your application, we will respond with availability and payment information for your donation.

The Downtown San Juan Cultural Arts District is recognized as a public charity under Internal Revenue Code section 509(a) and has 501(c)(3) status. Donations to Downtown San Juan Cultural Arts District are deductible. Donors should consult their tax advisor for questions regarding deductibility. A copy of the Downtown San Juan

Cultural Arts District determination letter is available upon request.



El Padrino: \$15,000

Our Padrino sponsorship opportunity will support the evening's grand finale, in partnership with the South Texas Music & Cultural Arts Foundation founded by Dr. Dahlia Guerra, with a beautiful memorial concert with returning Special Guest, the "Queen of Mariachi," the legendary Mariachi Aida Cuevas!!!

El Padrino sponsors will receive:

- VIP Meet & Greet (up to 10 people) with the Queen of Mariachi, Aida Cuevas before the show.
- Exclusive private tour (up to 10 people) of The Downtown San Juan Cultural Arts District (Basilica of Our Lady of San Juan del Valle, NEW City of San Juan City Hall, and Gelman Stained Glass Museum with a Behind the Scenes look at the Master Plan for Downtown San Juan
- Top billing with logo on all advertising, including website, social media, main stage signage, Video Production, VIP Memorabilia Lanyard, and Concert Program
- A 10 x 10 Vendor booth with priority placement in the Mercado de La Catrina
- 20 VIP Digital Memorabilia Lanyards w/access to La Catrina's Cantina (inc. food & drink)
- (2) VIP Tables (10 seats each) w/Waiter for En Memoria Concert with Special Guest, Aida Cuevas
- 20 Runners Entrance for 5K



Zocalo: \$5,000

Our Zocalo sponsors support the 5K, local entertainment, and festivities to enhance the celebration for our community.

Sponsors will receive:

- Top billing with logo on all advertising, including website, social media, main stage signage, Video Production, & VIP Memorabilia Lanyard
- A 10 x 10 Vendor booth with priority placement in the Mercado de La Catrina
- 10 VIP Digital Memorabilia Lanyards to La Catrina's Cantina (includes food & drink)
- (1) VIP Table w/Waiter for En Memoria Concert with Special Guest, Aida Cuevas
- 10 Runners Entrance 5k
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Alfombras Mágicas : \$2,500 (Limited Availability)

*Our Alfombras Magicos sponsors will be crucial in cultivating a deeper understanding our cultural heritage in this public art activity. This sponsorship will support the efforts in producing these magical sawdust carpets to life. This sponsorship will support The District's University of Texas Rio Grande Valley Internship program efforts from research, design, transportation, production, and implementation of **alfombras de aserrin** (sawdust carpets) in addition to supporting the collaboration between various local non-profit groups and K-12 students in a sensory activity offering symbolism filled public art project for the community to enjoy. This sponsorship is limited with the first opportunity to select one of the following organizations to participate in this public art activity.*

Please select 1 (one) Organization you'd like to Sponsor in this Activity:

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|---------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Capable Kids | <input type="checkbox"/> Girl Scouts of Greater South Texas |
| <input type="checkbox"/> St. John the Baptist Catholic Church | <input type="checkbox"/> Edinburg CISD |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ZONTA | <input type="checkbox"/> Catholic Diocese of Schools:
Our Lady of Sorrows |
| <input type="checkbox"/> PSJA ISD | St. Joseph Academy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Veterans Mental Awareness Group | |

Alfombras Mágicas sponsor(s) will receive:

- Top billing with logo on all advertising, including website, social media, main stage signage, posters, Video Production, VIP Lanyard
- Sponsorship Signage adjacent to the sponsored Alfombra
- A 10 x 10 Vendor booth with priority placement in the Mercado de La Catrina
- Behind the Scenes Invitation: Alfombra de Aserrin workshops/ Public Art ActivityF
- Photo Opportunity with the Alfombra Artists & Artwork
- 10 VIP Digital Memorabilia Lanyards w/access to La Catrina's Cantina (inc. food & drink)
- 1 VIP Table (10 seats) for En Memoria Concert with Special Guest, Aida Cuevas
- 10 Race Entries for Muertos 5K



El Maestro: \$2,500

Our Maestro sponsorship opportunity will support the evening's grand finale in partnership with the South Texas Music & Cultural Arts Foundation, founded by Dr. Dahlia Guerra. This opportunity exclusively supports STMCAF, whose mission is to preserve, promote, and celebrate the cultural heritage of the Rio Grande Valley, including the music of the mariachi genre. Additionally, with your support, the foundation also raises scholarship funds for mariachi music students. The evening's grand finale include a candle-light vigil featuring winners from the Canta Y No Llores Vocal Competition; Mariachi Invitational Ensembles; Mariachi Juvenil Aztlan, Mariachi Aztlan accompanied with Special Guest, Queen of Mariachi, Aida Cuevas.

Sponsors will receive:

- Top billing with logo on all advertising, including website, social media, main stage signage, Video Production, VIP Digital Memorabilia Lanyard
- Meet and Greet photo opportunity with our Special Guest
- 10 VIP Digital Memorabilia Lanyards w/access to La Catrina's Cantina (inc. food & drink)
- 1 VIP Table (10 seats) for En Memoria Concert with Special Guest, Aida Cuevas



Calaveras: \$500

Sponsors will receive:

- Small billing with logo on all advertising, including website, social media, main stage signage, Video Production, VIP Digital Memorabilia Lanyard
- 2 VIP Digital Memorabilia Lanyards w/access to La Catrina's Cantina (inc. food & drink)
- General Admission (2) for En Memoria Concert





EVENT SPONSORSHIP FORM DIA DE LOS MUERTOS FESTIVAL NOVEMBER 1, 2025

Event Sponsor's Name

(Business, Organization or Individual)

Name of Contact Person

Title

Mailing Address

Street Address

Street Address Line 2

City

State / Province

Postal / Zip Code

E-mail

example@example.com

Phone Number

Phone Number

Area Code

Event Sponsor's Level of giving:

- El Padrino: \$15,000
- El Zocalo: \$5,000
- El Maestro: \$2,500
- Alfombras Magicas: \$2,500
- Calaveras: \$500

Payment Method:

- Check (Please make check payable to: "Downtown San Juan Cultural Arts District")
- Credit Card (2.5% Credit Card Fee) - will send secured payment link if this option is selected.
- ACH

Authorizing person's signature

If you are an event sponsor,
please email your company logo in png or jpeg format to info@downtownsanjuan.org.
Checks can be picked up at your location.

**Thank you for your generous contribution. Tax Deductible Letter will be emailed to the email address on file.
Feel free to contact Miriam Gelman at (956) 378-3399 or info@downtownsanjuan.org if there are any questions.**



2ND ANNUAL

DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS

FESTIVAL

FREE
ADMISSION



VIP TABLES



4PM-10PM

NOV.
1st

5K WALK RUN \$35

SAN JUAN MUNICIPAL PARK

SPECIAL GUEST
AIDA CUEVAS

FOOD & MUSIC • MERCADO • 5K WALK/RUN • MENUDO COOK-OFF
CATRINA'S CONTEST • MARIACHI CONCERT • ALFOMBRAS DE ASERRIN

Y MUCHO MAS!

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AGENDA ITEM AND RECOMMENDATION SUMMARY
EDC BOARD REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 22, 2025

Consider approval of the EDC meeting minutes:
-August 19, 2025

STAFF COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Consideration of Approval of August 19, 2025, minutes

RECOMMENDATION:

PREPARED BY:

Martha Patterson,
Administrative
Assistant III

APPROVED BY:

Jorge Garcia, CFM. Interim Executive
Director

San Juan Economic Development Corporation Meeting

Date: August 19, 2025

Time: 6:00 pm

Location: San Juan City Hall
E.O.C. Room (2nd Floor)

Address: 512 S Nebraska Ave
San Juan, TX 78589

I. CALL TO ORDER

Board President Marco Villegas called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

II PLEDGED OF ALLEGIANCE

Board President Marco Villegas led the pledge of allegiance.

III ROLL CALL

Present: Martha Patterson, EDC Administrative Assistant III
Milo Cisneros, EDC Administrative Assistant II
Jorge Garcia, P & Z Director/EDC Interim Executive Director
Roberto "Bob" Garza, EDC Board Member
Jelet Martinez, EDC Board Member
Jesus "Jesse" Ramirez, City Commissioner/EDC Board Secretary/Treasurer
Marco "Markie" Villegas, Mayor Pro Tem/EDC Board President
Armando Garza Jr. EDC Board Vice President
Pedro Contreras, EDC Board Member
Roberto Loreda, EDC Board Member
Alyssa Aleman, EDC Legal Council
Lauren Ramirez, EDC Realtor
Roy Vega, IT

Absent:

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

V DIRECTOR'S REPORT

DISCUSSION: Jorge Garcia, Interim Executive Director, informed the EDC board that he had attended a Summit focused on strategies to motivate employees and secure grants and incentives.

Board Member Pedro Contreras inquired about the outcome of the Pharr meeting. Mr. Garcia responded that the session mainly consisted of a Q&A on strategies to strengthen employee collaboration.

Board President Marco Villegas suggested reaching out to the City of Pharr to explore joint efforts and to organize a similar session in San Juan. He recommended inviting

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representatives from various departments, such as Lone Star National Bank, the Construction Industry, and our friends across the Border, to participate on a monthly basis. He also encouraged the EDC to take the lead in hosting one of these meetings to build stronger partnerships with neighboring cities.

VI DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ALL OF THE FOLLOWING MATTERS:

1. Discussion and Possible Action, if any, on “Downtown Revitalization Plan.”

BOARD DISCUSSION: No Action

Board Vice President Armando Garza Jr. requested that staff provide a copy of ERO Architecture’s contract as well as a summary of any payments made, in order to verify if there are pending invoices. He also asked that the terms and scope of work be reviewed.

In addition, he suggested contacting ERO representatives Brian Godinez and Steve Walker to arrange a presentation for the newly seated City Commission and EDC Board members.

2. Discussion and Consideration, and Possible Action, if any, to Approve the Proposed New Logo for the San Juan EDC

BOARD DISCUSSION:

Board President Marco Villegas asked the board for their recommendations regarding the logo. He noted that input from the City Commissioners would be valuable and emphasized that there is no urgency to finalize the logo at this time.

BOARD DECISION:

No action taken. The current logo will continue to be used until the board reaches a final decision.

3. Discussion and Possible Action, if any, regarding the approval of the Applications and Flyers created for Mini Grant, Small Business Grant, Groundbreaking Ceremony, Ribbon Cutting Ceremony, and Public Request Information.

BOARD DISCUSSION: Jorge J. Garcia, Interim Executive Director, presented the final applications, which are ready to be posted on the EDC website. He noted that a QR code has also been created for the community to access the applications easily.

Mr. Garcia informed the Board that he had coordinated with Mr. Pat Karr, Chief Technology Officer, and Eric Reyna, Webmaster. He added that the long-term goal is to enable the community to complete the applications online, print them, and submit them for review before presenting them to the EDC Board.

Board President Marco Villegas requested that the forms be made available on both social media and the website, covering mini-grants and small business grants.

Board Member Pedro Contreras requested that all related documentation be included in the agenda packet so that Board Members have three days to review the materials.

Board Secretary/Treasurer Jesus Ramirez motioned to approve all the forms presented. Seconded by Board Member Jelet Martinez. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)

4. Discussion and Possible Action on Fiscal Year Budget 2025-2026.

BOARD DISCUSSION: Vice President Armando Garza Jr. suggested creating a sponsorship application outlining who, what, when, where, why, and how it benefits/promotes the EDC, and requiring applicants to present at a board meeting. He noted that funding is limited to the approved budget.

Board Member Pedro Contreras asked about the maximum small business grant amount. The Board agreed that amounts would be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Mr. Garcia recommended that Ms. Martha Patterson maintain a spreadsheet to track all grants, mini-grants, and sponsorships. He will also meet with Finance Director Leroy Gonzales to clarify line items and report back.

The Board agreed to review the budget individually and return with questions, noting a \$300,000 increase.

Board Member Pedro Contreras motioned to Table the item. Seconded by Vice President Armando Garza Jr. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)

VII. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consider approval of the EDC meeting minutes:
-August 5, 2025

Board Vice President Armando Garza Jr. motioned to approve the minutes presented. Seconded by Board Member Jelet Martinez. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. The San Juan Economic Development Corporation will Convene in Executive Session, in Accordance with the Texas Open Meeting Act, Vernon Statutes and Codes Annotated Government Code Chapter §551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) and Texas Government Code §551.087 (Deliberation regarding Economic Development Negotiations).

Board Vice President Armando Garza Jr. motioned to convene into Executive Session at 6:27 p.m. Seconded by Board Member Pedro Contreras. The motion passed unanimously.

- A. Consultation with legal counsel pursuant to Texas Government Code §557.071 regarding the potential sale or transfer of EDC-owned property.
- B. Pursuant to Section §551.087, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEGOTIATIONS; Deliberation and Possible Action: Engaging Carpe Not Industries.
- C. Pursuant to Section §551.072 of the Texas Government Code, Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Lot 4, Block A, Original Townsite of San Juan.

IX. RECONVENE 7:49 PM

Board Secretary/Treasurer Jesus Ramirez motioned to reconvened into Open Session at 7:48 pm. Seconded by Board Member Roberto Garza. The motion passed unanimously.

(7-0)

- 1. The San Juan Economic Development Corporation will Reconvened into Open Session to take Necessary Action, if any, in Accordance with Chapter 551, Open Meeting Subchapter E, Procedures Relating to Closed Meeting 551, Requirements to Vote or Take Final Action in Open Meeting.
- A. Consultation with legal counsel pursuant to Texas Government Code §557.071 regarding the potential sale or transfer of EDC-owned property.

Board Decision: No Action

- B. Pursuant to Section §551.087, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEGOTIATIONS; Deliberation and Possible Action: Engaging Carpe Nox Industries.

Board Decision: Board Vice President Armando Garza motioned to proceed with what was discussed with hiring Carpe Nox, pending final legal approval. Second, by Board Member Pedro Contreras, the motion passed unanimously.
(7-0)

- C. Pursuant to Section §551.072 of the Texas Government Code, Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Lot 4, Block A, Original Townsite of San Juan.

Board Decision: No Action

X. ADJOURNMENT

Action: Board Vice President Armando Garza motioned to adjourn the regular EDC meeting at 7:50 pm. Seconded by Board Member Jelet Martinez. The motion passed unanimously. (7-0)

Submitted

Certified

Marco Villegas, Board President

Jesus Ramiez, Board Secretary/Treasurer

Date

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