

**CITY OF GONZALES, TEXAS  
CALLED JOINT CITY COUNCIL MEETING AND  
GONZALES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
CORPORATION  
MINUTES –JULY 8, 2021**

The special meeting of the City Council was held on **July 8, 2021** at 4:30 p.m. at the Gonzales Municipal Building, 820 St. Joseph Street. This was an OPEN MEETING, open to the public, subject to the open meeting laws of the State of Texas and, as required by law, was duly posted, at the Gonzales Municipal Building, giving notice of time, date, place, and agenda thereof. The meeting notice, agenda and agenda packet were posted online at [www.gonzales.texas.gov](http://www.gonzales.texas.gov).

**CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION AND PLEDGE**

Mayor Kacir called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. and a quorum was certified.

<b>Attendee Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Status</b>
Connie L. Kacir	Mayor	Present in person
Joseph Kridler	Council Member, District 1	Present in person
Sherri Koepf	Council Member, District 2	Present in person
Bobby O’Neal	Council Member, District 3	Present in person
Robert R. Brown, Jr.	Council Member, District 4	Present in person

Director Rodriguez called the GEDC to order and a quorum was certified.

**GONZALES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD OF DIRECTORS (present)**

Andy Rodriguez, Geri Lawing, Ken Morrow, Connie Kacir and Dan Blakemore

**STAFF PARTICIPATING:**

City Attorney Dan Santee, City Manager Tim Patek, Finance Director Laura Zella and EDC Director Jennifer Kolbe.

1.1 Discussion relating to the eligibility of improvements, amenities and/or purchase of real property interests associated with JB Wells Park for funding by the GEDC.

The City Council and EDC Board engaged in discussion regarding eligibility of improvements, amenities and/or purchase of real property interests associated with JB Wells Park for funding by the GEDC.

1.2 Discussion and possible action to approve the GEDC funding of certain improvements, amenities and/or purchase of real property interests associated with JB Wells Park.

The City Council and EDC Board discussed the possibility of the EDC funding certain improvements, amenities and/or purchase of real property interests associated with JB Wells Park to include paying a portion of the bond issuance for the JB Wells settlement.

**CLOSED SESSION OF CITY COUNCIL AND GONZALES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION. BOTH THE CITY COUNCIL AND GONZALES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION MAY MEET JOINTLY AND/OR**

**SEPARATELY IN CLOSED SESSION WITH THEIR RESPECTIVE LEGAL COUNSEL TO DELIBERATE THE FOLLOWING MATTERS**

**CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION:**

The Council convened into closed session at 5:26 p.m.

2.1(1) Pursuant to Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, to receive legal advice regarding a settlement offer, or matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with this chapter; include the following matters:

a) In Re Estate of J. B. Wells settlement structure

(2) Pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code, to deliberate the purchase, or value of real property within or near the City of Gonzales

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

The Council convened into open session at 5:45 p.m.

3.1 Discuss and Consider any Action Resulting from Closed Session as Necessary

Mayor Kacir deferred back to EDC to see if there was a request regarding \$912,500 that could be structured out over a twenty-year amortized payment or an option of paying it all up front. The Mayor asked for a recommendation from the GEDC Board.

Director Blakemore moved to pay \$912,500 over a twenty-year period. Director Morrow seconded the motion. President Rodriguez asked for a roll call vote. For: Unanimous. The motion passed 5 to 0.

**CONVENE INTO CLOSED SESSION:**

The City Council and GEDC convened into closed session at 5:53 p.m.

(2) Pursuant to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code, to deliberate the purchase, or value of real property within or near the City of Gonzales.

**RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

The Council convened into open session at 5:59 p.m.

3.1 Discuss and Consider any Action Resulting from Closed Session as Necessary

No action was taken out of closed session.

**ADJOURN**

On a motion by Council Member O'Neal and second by Council Member Kridler, the meeting was adjourned at 5:59 p.m.

Approved this 12<sup>h</sup> day of August, 2021.

  
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City Secretary

  
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Connie Kacir, Mayor