

September 5, 2023

**ROCKDALE CITY COUNCIL AND MDD
SPECIAL MEETING**

Present:

Councilmembers:

Brett Boren, Mayor
Lin Perry, Mayor Pro-Tem
Kyle Walker
Scott Starnes
Brad Caffey
Dave Melton

City Staff:

Barbara Holly, City Manager
Shanna Johnson, City Secretary
Roxanne Proudley, Finance Director
Jim Gibson, MDD Executive Director
Michelle Toungate, Executive Assistant

Present:

MDD Board Members:

Nathan Bland, President
John King, Vice President
Jason Barcak
Denise Monzingo
Brian Wallis
Denise Wallace

Attendees:

Troy Zinn

Absent:

Esme Ruelas-Olivares
Joyce Dalley

Call to Order and announce a Quorum is Present

With a quorum of the Council members present, the Special Meeting of the Rockdale City Council was called to order by Mayor Boren at 5:30 p.m., September 5, 2023, at Rockdale MDD, 134 N. Main St., Rockdale, Texas.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Mayor and City Council led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Workshop

Conduct a workshop to discuss Advanced Manufacturing and Logistics Center at SLR and the effect on the City of Rockdale.

Director Gibson gave an update about the SLR project, formerly Alcoa. During the discussion, the Council and MDD Board members identified potential issues of housing, water and utilities, school and city facilities, and public safety. Board president Bland suggested working closely with the Council to keep the progress positive.

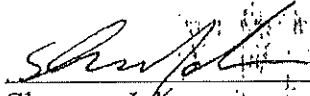
Conduct a workshop to discuss RMDD Downtown/Tourism Sub-Committee Roles and Functions:

Board president Bland suggested forming a Tourism Committee to over see the downtown area and use of HOT funds for events. City manager Holly spoke about hiring a Tourism Director to help bring events to Rockdale. The position could be funded using Hotel Occupancy Tax (HOT) funds.

Adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

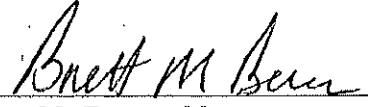
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ATTEST:



Shanna Johnson
City Secretary

APPROVED:

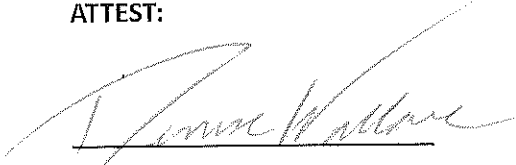


Brett M. Boren, Mayor

Adjourned at 7:33 PM

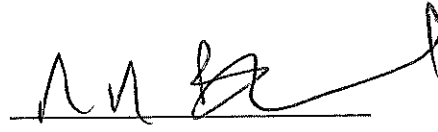
These minutes approved on 25th day of September 2023

ATTEST:



Denise Wallace
MDD Board Secretary

APPROVED:



Nathan Bland
MDD Board President