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**Economic Development**  
**Committee**  
**Meeting Record**  
**March 3, 2008**

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**Meeting Date:** March 3, 2008      **Meeting Start time:** 9:37 AM

**Committee Members Present:**

Ron Natinsky  
Jerry Allen  
Tennell Atkins  
Dwayne R. Carraway  
Sheffie Kadane  
Linda Koop  
Mitchell Rasansky  
Steve Salazar

**Other Councilmembers Present:**

Dr. Elba Garcia  
Angela Hunt  
David Neumann

**Staff Present:**

AC Gonzalez, Assistant City Manager  
Karl Zavitkovsky, Director, Office of  
Economic Development  
Frank Poe, Director, Convention & Event  
Services  
Theresa O'Donnell, Director, Development  
Services  
Ade Williams, Director, Procurement  
Raymond Wazny, Director, Building  
Inspection  
Verna Martin, Assistant Director,  
Downtown Initiatives, Office of Economic  
Development

**AGENDA:**

**1. Approval of February 19, 2008 Minutes of the Economic Development Committee**

**Presenter(s):**

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):** Motion made to approve the minutes from the February 19, 2008 Economic Development Committee meeting.

**Motion made by:** Mr. Allen

Item passed unanimously: **X**

Item failed unanimously: \_\_\_\_\_

**Follow-up (if necessary):**

**Motion seconded by:** Mr. Rasansky

Item passed on a divided vote: \_\_\_\_\_

Item failed on a divided vote: \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Convention Center Hotel RFQ Response**

**Presenter(s):** AC Gonzalez, Assistant City Manager; Ade Williams, Director, Business Development & Procurement Services; Frank Poe, Director, Convention & Event Services:

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):** No motion was made for this item.

<b>Motion made by:</b> _____	<b>Motion seconded by:</b> _____
Item passed unanimously: _____	Item passed on a divided vote: _____
Item failed unanimously: _____	Item failed on a divided vote: _____

**Follow-up (if necessary):** Committee requested additional information regarding the companies responding to the RFQ process and which will be offered an opportunity to respond to the request for proposals. In addition, the Committee requested more specific scoring criteria be sent to them.

**3. City of Dallas Downtown Retail Program**

**Presenter(s):** AC Gonzalez, Assistant City Manager; Karl Zavitkovsky, Director, Economic Development; Vernae Martin, Assistant Director, Downtown Initiatives, Office of Economic Development:

**Note:** Mr. Rasansky did not participate in the discussion of this item due to a potential conflict of interest.

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):** No motion was made for this item.

<b>Motion made by:</b> _____	<b>Motion seconded by:</b> _____
Item passed unanimously: _____	Item passed on a divided vote: _____
Item failed unanimously: _____	Item failed on a divided vote: _____

**Follow-up (if necessary):**

The committee reviewed a briefing of the proposed Downtown Retail Program and directed staff to move forward with the development of program details and guidelines for consideration and approval by the City Council.

**4. Downtown Sign Ordinance**

**Presenter(s):** AC Gonzalez, Assistant City Manager; Theresa O'Donnell, Director, Development Services:

**Note:** Mr. Rasansky did not participate in the discussion of this item due to a potential conflict of interest.

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):** No motion was made for this item.

<b>Motion made by:</b> _____	<b>Motion seconded by:</b> _____
Item passed unanimously: _____	Item passed on a divided vote: _____
Item failed unanimously: _____	Item failed on a divided vote: _____

**Follow-up (if necessary):** Mr. Natinsky requested that this item be briefed to the Quality of Life Committee.

**5. Dallas: From International Crossroads to Global Destination**

**Presenter(s): AC Gonzalez, Assistant City Manager; Karl Zavitkovsky, Director, Economic Development:**

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):** Item was not discussed by the Committee.

**Motion made by:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Motion seconded by:** \_\_\_\_\_

Item passed unanimously: \_\_\_\_\_

Item passed on a divided vote: \_\_\_\_\_

Item failed unanimously: \_\_\_\_\_

Item failed on a divided vote: \_\_\_\_\_

**Follow-up (if necessary):**

**6. Adoption of the Dallas Construction Codes 2006 Edition**

**Presenter(s): AC Gonzalez, Assistant City Manager; Raymond Wazny, Director, Building Inspection:**

**Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s):** Motion made to support the item.

**Motion made by:** Mr. Rasansky

**Motion seconded by:** Mr. Kadane

Item passed unanimously: X

Item passed on a divided vote: \_\_\_\_\_

Item failed unanimously: \_\_\_\_\_

Item failed on a divided vote: \_\_\_\_\_

**Follow-up (if necessary):**

**7. Upcoming Council Agenda Items for March 26, 2008 (Items were not briefed to the Committee)**

- Amend Boundaries of Fort Worth Avenue TIF District- Public Hearing
- Authorize a Public Hearing on a Proposed Amendment to the Boundary and Project Plan- Deep Ellum TIF

**Meeting Adjourned:** 11:50 AM.

**Approved By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Ron Natinsky, Chair