

The Willis Community Development Corporation of the City of Willis, Texas convened in regular session at the city hall on the date and time aforesaid, with the following members present:

Tamara Young-Hecotor – President
Sharon Luster – Board Member
John Lovelady – Board Member
Lorrinda Bishop, Board Member
Sonda Toliver – Board Member
Mary Reed – Board Member
Yolanda Harris – Board Member
J. Rice Public Management – CDC Director
Marissa Quintanilla – City Secretary
Rick Valdez – Director of Finance
Pat Riley – Director of Public Works

And the following members absent: none, constituting a quorum at which time the following business was transacted to-wit:

1. Call to order the regular meeting.
Tamara Young-Hector called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
2. Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance, and Invocation
I Pledge Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all. Honor the Texas Flag. I pledge allegiance to thee Texas; one state under God, one and indivisible.
Ms. Young-Hector called roll.
Pledges were recited.
John Lovelady gave the invocation.
3. CITIZENS INQUIRY
 - a. Present January Citizen of the Month. Name March Citizen of the Month
John Lovelady presented Lauren Swonke with the citizen of the month for January. Ms. Swonke thanked the board. Mr. Lovelady nominated Elizabeth McKenna for citizen of the month of March. Sharon Luster seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
 - b. Public Comments
No public comments.
 - c. Keep Willis Beautiful Report
Mr. Lovelady stated he met with Mike Sullivan and they talked about putting some greenery around the Willis entrance signs on the North and South side of Highway 75. J. Rice recommended they asking City staff to make sure it would be ok. Pat Riley stated that the signs are maintained by the City, and see no problem with adding greenery around the signs. Mr. Lovelady stated that they are also looking for volunteers.
4. CONSENT AGENDA
 - a. Consider the minutes of the previous regular meeting: November 27, 2018.
 - b. Approval of financial statements.
Motion was made Mary Reed to approve the consent agenda. Sonda Toliver seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.
5. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. Discuss and take action on MLK Park Improvements.
J. Rice stated that a concept plan had been approved at the last meeting, but since then there have been some problems with the parking. The concept plan was approved with on street parking which does not comply with City ordinance. Mr. Rice stated that he and Pat Riley met with Kraftsman LP, and they have

developed a new concept plan that still includes the same facilities as the previous approved plan, but are placed differently, and still complies with City ordinance. Mr. Rice stated that once board approves the new plan then it would go to City Council for approval. Mr. Rice stated that this would be an expensive project and would have to be done in phases. Ms. Young-Hector asked if approved by council, what would be the first phase. Mr. Rice stated that the parking and drainage would be. Motion was made by Mary Reed to approve the Martin Luther King Park plan concept. Sonda Toliver seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

b. Discuss and take action on basketball court improvements at Lindley Street Park.

Mr. Rice stated that Bleyl Engineering looked at Lindley Park in regards to making the basketball court a full court, and adding the covering. Mr. Rice stated that Bleyl had submitted to options. Option 1 consisted of the basketball goals mounted on the ceiling, while Option 2 consisted of ground mounted basketball goals. Mary Reed asked what option Mr. Rice recommended. Mr. Rice stated that he would refer to Pat Riley. Mr. Riley stated that he recommended Option 1 with the basketball goals mounted to the ceiling. Mr. Riley stated that if you installed the ground mounted basketball goals, there was a possibility of kids running into the pole and hurting themselves. Motion was made by John Lovelady to approve Option 1 with the basketball goals mounted to the ceiling, for \$208,700. Yolanda Harris seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

c. Discussion on projects for 2019-2020 fiscal year budget.

Mr. Rice stated that he and Rick Valdez would be going over the 2019-2020 budget and has some possibilities of some projects were the Martin Luther King Park improvements. Mr. Rice stated that the City's comprehensive plan included recommendations for a large municipal park, and neighborhood park on the southwest part of town. Mr. Rice stated this could be pursued if board decided. Mr. Rice stated that he plan to have a budget workshop with the board in the following months.

6. REPORTS

Input from Board related to issues for possible inclusion on future agendas.

Sharon Luster commented on the Pine Circle Park and the new basketball coverings.

7. ADJOURN

Motion was made by Mary Reed to adjourn. John Lovelady seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 6:18 p.m.

Marissa Quintanilla, City Secretary