

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE CITY OF EMORY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**  
**July 2, 2025**

**Call to Order:**

The Regular Meeting of the City of Emory Development Corporation was called to order by President Ben Wedeking at 11:44 AM in the City of Emory/EDC Conference Room located at 329 N. Texas St., Emory, TX 75440 on July 2, 2025.

- A. Opening Prayer: Ben Wedeking
- B. Roll Call:

**Board members present:** Don Spencer, Shana Turbyfill, Ben Wedeking, Jason Rolen

**Board members not in attendance:** Trey Hill, Jim Mack Taylor

**Staff present:** EDC Executive Director – Leah Drown, Administrative Assistant- Elizabeth Davis

**City Staff:** Finance Director Samantha Gibby, City Secretary Donna Raper

**Guest:** N/A

**Public Hearing: N/A**

**Consent Agenda:**

- A. The minutes from June 4, 2025, were unanimously approved. Motion made by Don Jason Rolen, seconded by Shana Turbyfill; all were in favor.
- B. Leah Drown reviewed the monthly financials. Motion made to approve financial report by Don Spencer, seconded by Jason Rolen; all were in favor.

**Items for consideration and/or action:**

- A. The EDC board reviewed business applicants for the new Parking Lot Grant to award for FY 2025. Leah Drown proposed to use unused budgeted funds and award multiple businesses for the grant this year. Motion was made by Jason Rolen, seconded by Don Spencer to award the following businesses up to, but not to exceed: Yall Come Back Café \$20,000.00, Gorditas Restaurant LLC \$20,000.00, The Nest Boutique \$10,000, La Miscelanea \$10,000. No further discussion was made; all were in favor.

**Executive Session: N/A**

**Directors Report:**

**Comments From Board Members:**

**Adjournment:**

Jason Rolen made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Shana Turbyfill. Ben Wedeking adjourned the meeting at 12:12 PM.

  
Ben Wedeking, President