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REGULAR AGENDA MEETING

LULING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

WEDNESDAY JUNE 24TH, 2026
5:30 P.M.

LULING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BUILDING
201 S. LAUREL AVE. | LULING, TEXAS 78648

CALL TO ORDER

1. Roll call and recognition visitors.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

2. This time is set aside for any person who wishes to address the Board. Presentations should be limited to no more than 3 minutes. The presiding officer will call on those persons who have signed up to speak.

INVOCATION

3. Opening prayer.

MINUTES

4. Approval of minutes of the board of directors regular meeting held on Wednesday, May 13th, 2026 at 5:30 p.m.

FINANCIAL REPORT

5. Approval of financial report for June 24th, 2026 regular monthly meeting.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT

Discussion regarding ongoing economic development activities, business recruitment and retention efforts, workforce development initiatives, project updates, financial and administrative matters, marketing activities, grant opportunities, partnerships, and upcoming events. No action will be taken.

DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION

6. Discussion and possible action regarding a clerical correction to the approved February 25, 2026, Board Meeting Minutes to reflect that Jamie Nickells made the original motion to approve the purchase of the Wright Building.
7. Discussion and possible action to approve Luling Economic Development Investment Policy.
8. Discussion and possible action regarding the creation of an Investment Committee for the Luling Economic Development Corporation and appointment of Mayor CJ Watts and Linda Mercer to serve on the committee. Ari Arias shall serve on the committee by virtue of position, with nomination and consideration of a fourth board member to complete the committee membership.
9. Discussion and possible action regarding a request from the Boys & Girls Club of South Central Texas for support of a second cohort of students for the Career Manufacturing/Tesla Program.
10. Discussion and possible action regarding the Retail Incentive Program application submitted by Jarle Lillemoen owner of Wild Bunch Brewing Company.
11. Executive Session: Pursuant to Texas Government Code §551.087, deliberation regarding Project Pickle, a prospective business and commercial development project, including the offer of financial or other incentives to a business prospect.
 - a. Recessed into executive session at _____ p.m.
12. Reconvened into Open Session at _____ p.m. and take any action necessary as a result of Executive Session deliberations regarding Project Pickle.
13. Executive Session: Pursuant to Texas Government Code §§551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) and 551.087 (Economic Development Negotiations), discussion regarding the X-Bow Systems Economic Development Agreement, including review of contractual obligations, performance requirements, financing matters, and potential amendments to the agreement.
 - a. Recessed into executive session at _____ p.m.
14. Reconvened into Open Session at _____ p.m. and take any action necessary as a result of Executive Session deliberations regarding the X-Bow Systems Economic Development Agreement.

INFORMATION FROM THE BOARD

Board members may offer comments, ask questions, or propose topics for future agenda items. No formal action will be taken during this portion of the meeting.

ADJOURN

At any time during the meeting, the Board may adjourn into an Executive Session, as needed, on any item listed on the agenda for which state law authorizes Executive Session to be held including Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.073, 551.074, 551.075, 551.076, of Chapter 551 of the Government Code of the State of Texas.

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