



Hon. Charles Eaton, Chair
Hon. Cindy Vanlandingham, Vice-Chair

David Davis, Secretary/Treasurer
Russell Devorsky, President

January 23, 2025

THE HEART OF TEXAS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT, INC.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA

The Heart of Texas Economic Development District, Inc., Board of Directors will meet on **Thursday, January 23th at 1 P.M. or immediately after the HOTCOG luncheon** at the Waco Hilton, 113 S University Parks Dr, Waco, TX.

- I. Call to Order and Determination of a Quorum**
- II. Acknowledgment of Notice Giving Public Access to Meeting**
- II. Introduction of Guests and Public Comment(s)**
- III. Minutes**
October 17, 2024, December 19, 2024
- IV. Chair Report**
Special Award
- V. Consideration and/or Action on the following:**
 - A. Election of Members and Officers**
 - 1. **Nominations Committee Report/Action of recommendation** (Current Officers: Charles Eaton, Chair, Cindy Vanlandingham, Vice Chair, and David Davis, Secretary/Treasurer)
 - 2. **Re-Appointment of Members to the Board (2 year terms):**
Matthew Wright, Art Mann, Ray O'Docharty, Randy Riggs, Jessica Trew, and Jerry Mobley
 - 3. **Appointment of New Board Members (if any):**
 - B. Chair recommendation for Sub Committees**
 - 1. **Entrepreneurship & Small Business Development Committee Members**
Kevin Benedict (Chair), Dick Van Dyke, Matthew Wright, Jessica Trew
 - 2. **Housing Committee Members**
Damaris Neelley (Chair), Ray O'Docharty, Calvin Rueter. Ignacio Vasquez
 - 3. **Education & Workforce Development Committee Members**
Robert Hawkins (Chair), Scott Felton, Linda Grant, Justin Lewis, Jerry Mobley

4. Regional Marketing Committee Members

Jay Elliott (Chair), Art Mann, Damaris Neelley, Matthew Wright

5. Revolving Loan Fund Committee

Damaris Neelley (Chair), Kevin Benedict, Justin Lewis, Robert Hawkins, Jay Elliott. Charles Eaton, Cindy Vanlandingham

6. Workforce Committee

Robert Hawkins (Chair), Randy Riggs, Damaris Neelley, David Davis.

C. Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)

1. Approval of HOTEDD to continue serving as the CEDS Committee for the Heart of Texas Region as HOTEDD must reappoint itself each year.

2. Approval of the CEDS Update Advisory Committee to continue working with staff for 2025.

3. Appointment of 2025 CEDS Update Advisory Committee

2024 Committee: Robert Hawkins; Damaris Neelley; Dick Van Dyke, and David Davis

VIII. President and Staff Reports

- a. Financial Report
- b. Staff Report
- c. President's Report

IX. Adjournment

Russell Devorsky, President