

**M A D E R A C O U N T Y**  
***ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT***  
***COMMISSION***  
**E x e c u t i v e C o m m i t t e e**

**August 10, 2022**

**MINUTES**

*(This meeting was a Zoom meeting)*

**PRESENT:** *Rob Poythress, Brad Ditton, Santos Garcia, Waseem Ahmed*

**ABSENT:** *Brett Frazier*

**STAFF:** *Bobby Kahn*

**1.0 CALL TO ORDER**

*The meeting was called to order at 3:02 p.m. by Vice-Chair Ditton.*

**2.0 PUBLIC COMMENT-** *None.*

**3.0 INTRODUCTIONS & RECOGNITION** - *None.*

**4.0 CONSIDERATION OF AGENDA-**

*On motion by Commissioner Garcia and seconded by Commissioner Ahmed the agenda is approved as presented. Motion carried.*

**5.0 CONSENT CALENDAR**

**5.1 Madera County Economic Development Commission  
Executive Committee Minutes – June 8, 2022, July 7, 2022,  
July 13, 2022, July 14, 2022 and July 28, 2022**

**5.2 Madera County Economic Development Commission  
Financial Report- July 2022**

*On motion by Commissioner Poythress and seconded by Commissioner Ditton, the consent calendar is approved as presented. Motion carried.*

**6.0**     **CLOSED SESSION-**   *Nothing to report.*

**7.0**     **ACTION ITEMS-**

**7.1**   **Adoption of Contract/Executive Director-**

*On motion of Commissioner Garcia and seconded by Commission Ditton, this item is tabled. Motion carried.*

**7.2**   **AB 361 Changes to the Ralph M. Brown Act Opening Meeting**

*On motion by Commissioner Garcia and seconded by Commissioner Ahmed, MCEDC will adopt Resolution 2022-08 authorizing Remote Teleconference for all Commission and Executive Committee Meeting in accordance of Assembly Bill 361 for a period of 30 days. Motion carried.*

**8.0**     **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS** – *None.*

**9.0**     **WRITTEN COMMUNICATION-** *None.*

**10.0**    **OPEN DISCUSSION/REPORTS/INFORMATION**

**10.1**   **Executive Committee Members**

**Commissioner Garcia (City of Madera)** – *reported the hospital has requested the City help them with projects using the City’s ARPA funds. The city has already allocated those funds for infrastructure (sewer/water) projects. They will hold a workshop at the next Council meeting to discuss how they can help the hospital.*

**Commissioner Poythress (Madera Chamber)** – *reported the Chamber will hold the Lifetime Achievements awards next week. If you haven’t gotten your tickets, get them now.*

**Commissioner Ahmed (City of Chowchilla)**– *reported on the groundbreaking for Auto Zone, that will held on Friday, the 19<sup>th</sup>.*

**Commissioner Ditton (Bass Lake Chamber)** – *reported Self Help withdrew their application to build an apartment complex in Oakhurst. Bass Lake is busy and the lake level is still up. Business is as normal.*

**10.2 Executive Director-** reported on a new company coming to Madera from Southern California. They are purchasing a 157,000 square building and additional 7 acres by the property. He has been working with the city and with PG&E on issues. They will bring 50-60 jobs with 2/3 of them coming with them from Southern California. Had a meeting with the city and Legacy Development on property at Ave. 16 and Hwy 99. Site has lots of issues. Met with the City's new Community Development Director and development team from Smart & Final and Ross Dress for Less. They will share the space once Pak N Save vacates. Working with Evapco on a large expansion project that will create lots of new jobs.

**10.3 Manager of Business Development and Marketing-** as reported.

**10.4 Business Assistance/Office Manager-** as reported.

**11.0 NEXT MEETING-** The next meeting will be held on September 14, 2022.

**12.0 ADJOURNMENT-** The meeting was adjourned at 3:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Lois Leonard, Recording Secretary