



**TEMPLE HEALTH AND BIOSCIENCE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

***Minutes from the Board of Directors Meeting held on  
Wednesday December 7, 2022***

The Temple Health and Bioscience Economic Development District Board of Directors conducted a scheduled board meeting in person Wednesday, December 7, 2022, at 5:00 p.m.

**Members Present:**

Mr. Thomas Baird, Chair  
Mr. Gregg Strasburger  
Mr. John Kiella  
Mr. Michael Norman, Vice Chair  
Mr. Tyler Johnson, Secretary/Treasurer  
Dr. Robert Cortes

**Members Absent:**

Dr. Jason Locklin

**Guests/Staff in attendance:**

Ms. Kayla Landeros  
Ms. Shannon Wetherbee, Executive Assistant, THBD

The agenda for this meeting was posted on the bulletin board of the Temple Health and Bioscience Economic Development District (THBD) facility, Bell County and THBD's website ([www.templebioscience.org](http://www.templebioscience.org)) in compliance with the Open Meetings Act.

*The following is a summary of the proceedings of this meeting. It is not intended to be a verbatim translation.*

The meeting was opened by Chairman of the Board, Mr. Thomas Baird at 5:02 pm.

**I) PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Citizens who desire to address the board on any matter may sign up to do so prior to the meeting. Public comments will be received during this portion of the meeting. Please limit comments to three (3) minutes. No discussion or final action will be taken by the board.

There being no public comments, Mr. Thomas Baird closed the Public Comments section at 5:02 pm.

## **II) CONSENT AGENDA:**

All items listed under this selection, Consent Agenda, are considered to be routine by the Board of Directors and may be enacted by one motion. If discussion is desired by the Board, any item may be removed from the Consent Agenda at the request of any Board Member and will be considered separately.

1) Consider adopting a resolution approving the Consent Agenda items and the appropriate resolutions for each of the following:

### **Minutes**

(A) Approve the minutes of the September 28, 2022, Board Meeting.

### **Financial**

(B) Approve the September, October and FY 2022, financials.

Motion by Mr. Gregg Strasburger, second by Mr. John Kiella to adopt a resolution approving the Consent Agenda Items.

A verbal vote was called and was unanimous.

## **II) REGULAR AGENDA:**

A). Discuss and possibly take action on an interlocal agreement with the City of Temple to construct the TMED statue base for an amount not to exceed \$150,000 and on proposals to construct the TMED statue base for an amount not to exceed \$150,000.

Motion by Mr. Tyler Johnson, second by Mr. Gregg Strasburger to agree to the interlocal agreement with the City of Temple and to increase the amount for the base statue to \$150,000.

Motion by Mr. Tyler Johnson, second by Mr. Gregg Strasburger to agree to the construction agreement with the Heart of Texas construction company. John Kiella to advise the board on the start date of the statue base.

B). Discuss and possibly take action on THBD Higginbotham insurance proposal.

Motion by Dr. Robert Cortes, second by Mr. Michael Norman to accept the proposal for the 2023-2024 calendar year

A verbal vote was called and was unanimous.

C). Discuss and possibly take action on THBD investing proposals.

Mr. Tyler Johnson presented three options to the Board for their consideration. Option one included 3-, 6-, 9- and 12-month \$1,000,000 CD's with reinvestment at each renewal. Option two had 6- and 12-month \$2,000,000 CD's with reinvestments at renewal. Option three had 6 and 12 month \$1,000,000 and \$3,000,000 CD's with reinvestments at renewal. Option four had 1–12-month \$5,000,000 CD.

Motion by Mr. John Kiella, second by Mr. Michael Norman to approve Option 1 which includes 3-6-9- and 12-month \$1,000,000 CD's with reinvestment at each renewal.

A verbal vote was called and was unanimous.

D). Project Updates: Discuss and possibly take action on amendments to the THBD Employee Handbook.

Adjustments to be made to the handbook for Board discussion.

No action was taken

E). Receive an update on the NKF initiatives and workplans.

No action was taken

F ). Project Updates: Discuss and possibly take action on THBD's current projects including but not limited to, the study to identify a permanent facility, the TEDC Marketing and Services agreement and the Temple College interlocal agreement.

No action was taken

## II) **Executive Session**

A) Executive Session – Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors will go into Executive Session in accordance with Texas Government Code Section 551.087 – Deliberation regarding Economic Development Negotiations

**The Board of Directors reserves the right to discuss any items in executive (closed) session whenever permitted by the Texas Open Meetings Act.**

The Board of Directors did not move into Executive Session.

There being no further business, Mr. Baird adjourned the meeting at approximately 6:41 p.m.

Transcribed by:  
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Executive Assistant