

MINUTES Economic Development Commission Queen Creek Botanical Gardens December 15, 2021 7:30 a.m.

1. <u>Call to Order and Introductions</u>

Chair Shane Randall called the meeting to order at 7:49a.m and welcomed everyone to the Queen Creek Botanical Gardens.

<u>Commission Members present</u>: Shane Randall, Chair; Grant Tayrien, Vice Chair; Marc Valenzuela; Chris Clark; Perry Berry; Brian McKean; Gordon Mortensen; Mark Schnepf; Council Member Wheatley

<u>Absent Members</u>: Jason Barney; Perry Rea; Brent White; Matt McWilliams; Nancy Hormann; Warde Nichols, Carson Brown; Jenna Kahl; Derek Neighbors; Council Member Turley

<u>Staff present</u>: Jennifer Lindley, Downtown Development Manager;

2. <u>Public Comment:</u> There will be no public comment at this meeting.

3. <u>Items for Discussion and Possible Action</u>

A. Consideration and possible approval of the September 22, 2021 minutes

Motion to approve the September 22, 2021 minutes as presented. 1st: Grant Tayrien 2nd: Mark Schnepf Vote: Approved unanimously

- B. Downtown Development Manager Jennifer Lindley provided updates on current Economic Development projects including the Town Owned Land Request for Proposals, the Façade Improvement Program and new businesses.
- C. Summary of current events Reports from Chair, Commission Members and Economic Development staff

Commissioner Mark Schnepf provided updates on the Good Life Festival and weddings at the farm.

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> Commissioner Perry Berry provided several updates from the Queen Creek Unified School District. He updated the commission on the recent bond that did not pass and the next steps. In addition, he mentioned the Business Partner Breakfast and invited the commission members to attend.

4. <u>Announcements</u>

None.

5. <u>Adjournment</u>

The meeting adjourned at 8:20a.m. Following the adjournment of the meeting, Vice Chair Grant Tayrien introduced Justin Rohner, Executive Director and Founder of the Queen Creek Botanical Gardens. Commissioners were invited to stay and tour the Queen Creek Botanical Gardens.

Shane Randall, Chair Economic Development Commission

ATTEST:

Joy Maglione Deputy Town Clerk

I, Joy Maglione, do hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing Minutes are a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the August 25, 2021 Economic Development Commission. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and that a quorum was present.

Passed and approved on: February 23, 2021