# **Annual Report**

Pasadena Economic Development Corporation









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LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN

## A SEA OF CHANGE

Greetings friends, colleagues and community the community at large for the way Pasadena partners,

should be perceived. On behalf of the Board of Directors of the 2019 was also the beginning of a new era Pasadena Economic Development Corporation for our city with the implosion of the First

various projects that totaled \$1.1 billion dollars the heart of the entire city. in capital investment and 1,056 new full-time jobs for our city.

also developed plans for future redevelopment years to come. projects including the revitalization projects for Master Plan.

From a marketing and image standpoint, our team identified the need for a cohesive and unified brand and messaging to help Sincerely, tell Pasadena's story. This story would share the progress we've seen over the last few Steve Cote years, while embracing the things that make Pasadena unique. In 2019 we partnered with a Steve Cote, Chairman well-known economic development marketing Pasadena Economic firm on the creation of a new marketing image Development Corporation for the city. This new image is a shared vision between key entities, community leaders and

(PEDC), I am pleased to present you with the Pasadena State Bank Building that took place FY 2019 Annual Report. As Chairman of this on July 21, 2019. After years of neglect and organization, I am proud of the work PEDC has seeing it become a hazard to the community, done to bring new investment, help existing our Board of Directors had a tough decision to expansions, and add new jobs to the City of make. Though our skyline may have changed, Pasadena. Over the last year, PEDC worked on the structure will always hold a special place in

The work of our team is never confined to what the community needs today, but rather a bia Since the implementation of our community picture vision for what the next decade might Strategic Plan in 2018, the PEDC team has been look like. Our strategic plan identified the laser focused on the goals that were identified need for a pipeline for future leaders for the in the plan. Over the last year, the team has community. This goal opened the opportunity made great strides to accomplish many of for a partnership with the Pasadena Chamber those goals. We have shifted focus slightly and of Commerce in the development of IMPACT have put an emphasis on the redevelopment Pasadena. After a monumental inaugural year opportunities for the city. Our team made good of the program, we look forward to seeing the progress in overall infrastructure improvements participants continue being empowered with of Historic Pasadena, including Phase I of Richey interpersonal, leadership and communication Street which is nearing completion. We have skills that will continue to propel our city for

both Shaw Street, Richey Street Phase II and 2019 was a year of significant growth for our implementation of the Pasadena Boulevard region and organization and we cannot wait to see what 2020 has in store for Pasadena, Texas.





# PEDC'S COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN

In 2018 PEDC partnered with TIP Strategies on the development of a community strategic plan that took months of extensive research including interviews and meetings with over **100 community stakeholders**.

The plan serves the community as an organizational management tool used to set priorities, focus energy and resources, strenghten operations and ensuring key entities are working towards a common goal.

Additionally, the plan focuses on the main functions in which PEDC holds the greatest potential to affect positive change within our city, and also outlines six main goals and strategies designed to generate new private sector investment, business growth, job creation and a growing local tax base for the City of Pasadena.

The six major goals and some of the main focus areas outlined by the strategic plan include:

### Goal 1 - Marketing & Image

- Focus on internal and external marketing of Pasadena's assets
- Civic leadership and young professional engagement
- New marketing materials and tactics focused on target industries

### Goal 2 - Business Development

- Business retention and expansion (BRE)
- •Target industry recruitment
- Entrepreneurship and small business development

#### Goal 3 - Workforce

- Leveraging San Jacinto College and its new Center for Petrochemical, Energy, and Technology for economic development
- •A new career and tech center in North Pasadena
- Stronger engagement with UHCL

#### Goal 4 - Catalyst Projects

- Development of 6 major commercial corridors
- •Explore redevelopment options for key anchors within the city

#### Goal 5 - Tourism & Retail

- •Growth of retail, restaurants, and hotels along the Beltway 8 corridor
- •Stronger linkages between business recruitment and event/ conference promotion
- Promotion of the Silver Sycamore district

## Goal 6 - Support Structures for Economic Development

- •Evaluate the potential benefits of establishing special districts using a range of modern urban planning tools such as a TIRZ, shared parking agreements, and other tools
- •Work to upgrade Pasadena's visual appeal, especially along the 6 major corridors targeted for new development and redevelopment

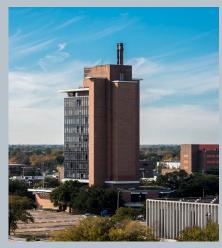
Since its adoption, implementation of this plan has been PEDC's main focus as it relates to economic development efforts. In 2020, PEDC will continue to utilize the tool as a guiding map for Pasadena's growth and carry on the momentum we have witnessed thus far.

Visit PasadenaEDC.com to learn more.





## PASADENA'S SKYLINE CHANGES First Pasadena State Bank building demolition



On Sunday, July 21, 2019 the skyline of Pasadena, Texas changed forever with the implosion of the First Pasadena State Bank Building.

After years of neglect, the once iconic symbol of progress fell into a costly state of disrepair. Evidence of vandalism and extensive structural damage appeared regularly on rogue online footage. In addition to becoming an eyesore, the structure had also become a hazard to the community. In October of 2018, the PEDC purchased the property from the previous owner. Professional remediation crews worked for more than 6 months on asbestos abatement to ensure an environmentally safe implosion.

Although the building is now gone from Pasadena's skyline, the memories created and the history it represents will forever remain in the heart of all citizens.

There are no immediate plans for the lot, however, the demolition of the building opens up a clean slate with endless possibilities for redevelopment.

## PEDC 2019 FINANCIAL REVIEW

*Name change to Pasadena Economic Development Corporation became official in early 2019. Formerly Pasadena Second Century Corporation.	PSCC FY 2018 Year-end Actual	PEDC FY 2019 Year-end Actual	
Operating Revenues			•
Sales Tax	\$11,450,741.76	\$12,034,005.04	
Interest Income	\$755,012.15	\$1,215,578.68	
Miscellaneous	\$18,709.79	\$18,101.27	
Sale of City Property	\$48,848.50	_	
TOTAL	\$12,273,312.20	\$13,267,684.99	
Expenditures			•
Contractual Services*	\$1,390,438.31	\$1,708,013.01	
Materials & Supplies	\$4,193.06	\$46,259.49	
Capital Investments	\$8,313,678.63	\$6,086,836.34	
Debt Expenses	\$28,177.33	\$1,036,238.06	
TOTAL	\$4,651,873,11	\$8,877,346,90	

<sup>\*</sup>Contractual Services include but are not limited to salaries, marketing, incentives, legal fees, strategic plan implementation services and other related professional services.

PEDC was created in 1998 as a nonprofit, Type B corporation under the Texas Development Corporation Act. It is financed by a half-cent sales tax collected in the City of Pasadena. State law allows the city to collect this sales tax to pursue specifically authorized economic development activities in the city.

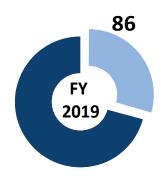
The seven members of PEDC's Board of Directors are appointed by and serve at the discretion of the City of Pasadena Mayor and City Council. The Corporation's annual budget is approved by City Council.

2019 In Review

# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BY THE NUMBERS

## **New Business & Expansions**







New and Retained 1,056 Jobs

# Major Projects At-A-Glance

COMPANY	RETAINED JOBS	NEW JOBS	TOTAL CAPITAL INVESTMENT
INEOS	95	98	\$349,000,000.00
H + M Industrial	260	78	\$10,500,000.00
Kinder Morgan Liquid Terminal	470	30	\$125,000,000.00
Preferred Freezer	-	-	\$30,000,000.00
Pasadena Performance Product		25	\$600,000,000.00
TOTALS	825	231	\$1,114,500,000.00



# PASADENA BUSINESS POWERING POSSIBILITIES



#### INEOS breaks ground on new ASA Plant in Pasadena, Texas

INEOS Styrolution, part of UK chemical giant INEOS, has broken ground on a new 100-kilotonnesper-annum (ktpa) acrylonitrile styrene acrylate (ASA) plant in Pasadena, Texas.

INEOS will invest approximately \$350 million in the development of this new plant, while creating 100 full-time jobs.

PEDC collaborated with Economic Alliance Houston Port Region to secure this new plant. PEDC also assisted through the process of obtaining a Texas Enterprise Zone (TEZ) nomination through Pasadena City Council.

The new plant is set for operation in 2021.







## H+M Industrial EPC to Triple Fabrication Capacity with on-site Shop Expansion

H+M Industrial EPC recently broke ground to expand their on-site fabrication shop. This increase triples the current production capacity used to facilitate project execution for clients. The project is scheduled to be complete the first half of 2020 and is phase one of a two-phase expansion plan for the organization which includes a new office building in Pasadena, TX.

The expansion project investment will include two new buildings; first building will be 16,500 sq.ft. of fabrication shop and office space, second building will be 22,000 sq.ft. of engineering professional office space.

The PEDC negotiated an incentive agreement to keep this expansion project in Pasadena.

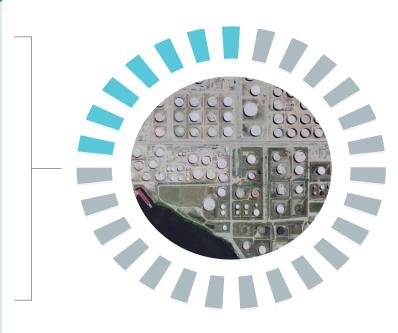


## Kinder Morgan Liquid Terminal to undergo enhancement project

Midstream giant Kinder Morgan will be investing \$170 million in its Pasadena Terminal, one of the biggest product storage facilities in Texas. The 340-acre Pasadena Terminal sits on the busy Houston Ship Channel, the hub of Texas' oil refining and petrochem industry.

The improvements which are expected to be completed by the end of the second quarter of 2020, are supported by a long-term agreement with a major refinery for approximately 2.0 million barrels of refined petroleum products storage capacity at the terminal.

PEDC assisted Kinder Morgan through the process of obtaining the Texas Enterprise Zone nomination and eventually having the TEZ approved by City Council on November 19, 2019.





#### Next Wave to Build Alkylate Production Facility in **Pasadena**

Next Wave Energy Partners, LP has made a positive final investment decision (FID) to build a new alkylate production facility in Pasadena, Texas.

The facility, known as Project Traveler, will be located near the Houston Ship Channel at Next Wave's 53-acre site in Pasadena. At the facility, Next Wave will convert some of North America's ethylene supply to alkylate – which is a gasoline blending component that comprises up to 13 percent of the U.S.' overall gasoline pool. Project Traveler will have nameplate capacity of 28,000 barrels per day of alkylate.

PEDC in collaboration with Economic Alliance Houston Port Region worked to bring this project to Pasadena. PEDC worked with Next Wave on the de-annexation process for the property.



## REPORT MARKETING CARD

## Facebook



Engagement was and continues to be a priority for PEDC as we move forward in 2020. Ensuring that all of Pasadena's businesses and citizens are aware of important news and projects that relate to them is our utmost priority. 2019 was a game changer as it relates to social media growth. Are you following?

1,982% increase in followers 1,800% increase in page likes 700% increase in post reach 369% increase in post engagement 315% increase in page views 69% increase in video views

## **Twitter**



167% increase in followers 237% increase in impressions 421% increase in profile visits 100% increase in mentions

## LinkedIn

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### Pasadena Pulse

Last October, PEDC launched its first ever e-newsletter, The Pasaden Pulse! The goal of the newsletter is to keep the entire Gulf Coast Region informed of the great things happenening in Pasadena, TX. For more information email: SMcDowell@PasadenaEDC.com

## EXCELLENCE in Pasadena

The Texas Economic Development Council named PEDC a recipient of its 2019 Economic Excellence Recognition Program for the second year in a row. The Economic Excellence Recognition was announced at the TEDC's Winter Conference in College Station on February 20, 2020. The program recognizes economic development organizations that meet a desired threshold of professionalism.



# THE RIGHT TIME: INVEST IN PASADENA

## PasadenaEDC.com At-A-Glance

24,130 Total Sessions

19,378 Total Users

19,233 New Users

00:04:56 Average Session Duration

## TOP VISITORS

#### TOP COUNTRIES



- Canada France
  - •India
- Mexico
- Brazil
- Germany
  - Japan

### TOP STATES

- Texas
- Illinois
- New York • Florida
- California
- Georgia
- Virginia
- Washington

The PEDC continues to enhance its marketing efforts to match Pasadena's growing business environment and international appeal. As stated in PEDC's strategic plan, marketing and image are and will continue to be a priority for the organization.

The PEDC team is committed to ensuring our materials contain information that is relevant and enticing while also utilizing the latest technology for marketing purposes. PasadenaEDC.com will soon have a new appearance. The focus on the website is critical to properly market Pasadena to site selectors, brokers and executives across the globe. The PEDC uses its website as one of the primary marketing tools providing relevant information to all corners of the world





# FORWARD MOVEMENT REDEVELOPMENT POSSIBILITIES

Successful economic development efforts are the result of partnerships and the combined effort of forces to achieve a common goal. Since the launch of its strategic plan in 2018, PEDC has focused on leveraging partnerships to maximize its efforts. The PEDC works closely with the City of Pasadena and various other allies to ensure projects are addressed and implemented.

The PEDC's strategic plan also focuses on the importance of maximizing resources through redevelopment opportunities and the PEDC is committed to enhancing the city through these avenues all the while contributing to economic growth and employment generation.

Key Infrastructure improvements continue to be a top priority for PEDC in 2020. Our strategic plan emphasizes PEDC's collaboration with the City of Pasadena to work on upgrading Pasadena's visual appeal, especially along major commercial corridors and in districts targeted for new development and redevelopment. The following major corridors were identified as part of those key locations for PEDC to focus efforts on:

#### Richey Road - Phase 1

Investment: \$15-million (Collaboration between City of Pasadena, Harris County & PEDC)

Coverage: 1.5 miles (Hwy 225 - Southmore)

**Update:** Close to completion

## Richey Road - Phase 2

Investment: TBD

Coverage: ~ 0.5 mile (Southmore – South Houston Road)

Update: PEDC is talking to local businesses and property owners to get their feedback on

improvements they would like to see.

#### **Shaw Street**

**Investment: TBD** 

Coverage: Carl Street to McMasters Avenue

**Update:** PEDC is conducting outreach efforts to determine project's scope, timeline and total budget. Additionally, PEDC is talking to property owners to get their feedback on improvements they would like to see in the great

they would like to see in the area.

#### Pasadena Blvd

**Investment: TBD** 

Coverage: Hwy 225 - Southmore

**Update:** On January 23, 2020 the PEDC Board of Directors approved and adopted a master plan for Pasadena Blvd. This plan outlines the vision our organization has for this project.

Stay tuned to The Pasadena Pulse and our social media pages for updates and more information on these and other redevelopment efforts.



# OUR 2020 VISION Key initiatives for pedc in 2020

## Small Business Support Program

As a part of a Business Retention and Expansion (BRE) program, PEDC will continue the support of small business in 2020. Some of the areas of focus include our business enhancement program, permitting and resources for businesses. PEDC is working closely with the City of Pasadena's permitting department to enhance the process for businesses. Additionally, PEDC is also working with local allies such as the Small Business Development Council (SBDC) to ensure we supply businesses with the tools they need to succeed.

## Community Branding

Many exciting things are happening in our city. The new "Pasadena; Powering Possibilities" brand will be a tool used by our organization in collaboration with the City of Pasadenal tó help tell a vibrant, consistent and cohesive message for our city.

Our plan for this brand in 2020 is to refine the messaging to position and highlight our city's assets in a way that will generate community pride and spark economic development.

## Livable Centers Study

The Houston–Galveston Area Council awarded the City of Pasadena a grant to complete a Livable Centers Study. The Study will focus on the area roughly bounded by Richey Avenue Shaw Avenue, Red Bluff Rd and Southmore Avenue. Ultimately, the study will yield strategies to improve pedestrian and bike infrastructure, green space amenities, and spur housing and economic development to revitalize the City Center as the premier place to live, work and play. PEDC will be assisting with some of the components of this study.

## City-wide Strategic Plan

The City of Pasadena's Planning Department is initiating a year long process to complete the first city-wide, communityled strategic plan. PEDC will be assisting with the fiscal analysis portion of the plan, which is a key component to deliver and guide the plan that will spur future growth and renewal in the City.

## Quality of Life Projects

Making Pasadena a great place to live, work, and play means investing in quality of life improvements. Since 2019, the PEDC has invested staff time into supporting a Healthy Parks Master Plan; funding a new gateway sign that reflects the city's new brand; and planning for new off-road trail segments.









The PEDC Community Strategic Plan's Marketing economic development and community impact. and Image strategy called for a need to engage Furthermore, the program not only educates young professionals and emerging business the participant on these important components leaders as a target audience in Pasadena's of the community, but equips and empowers economic development program.

in the development of a leadership program participants to be and remain connected to the development but the City of Pasadena overall. to help shape the future of the city.

Commerce.

IMPACT Pasadena is a transformative professional leadership experience for Pasadena's business More information on the program can be found and community leaders. The program focuses at PasadenaChamber.org/Impact on key pillars such as leadership, government,

the participants with interpersonal, leadership and communication skills for both professional More specifically, it identified the Pasadena and personal growth. The main objective of Chamber of Commerce as a potential partner the program is to engage and encourage the could serve as a pipeline of engaged City of Pasadena and motivate them to want to civic leaders who support not only economic step up and be the next generation of leaders

It was from this strategy and goal that IMPACT The program had a monumental inagural year in Pasadena was born and created in 2019 in 2019 and has recently launched its second year partnership with the Pasadena Chamber of promising even more growth and the opportunity to create a network of like-minded inviduals to who seek positive transformation for Pasadena.



# Officers & Directors



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