

# PASADENA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION Pre-Board Meeting October 9, 2025, 3:00 p.m. Minutes

#### **Members Present**:

Rick Lord, President Marilyn Wilkins, Vice President Salvador Serrano, Jr., Treasurer Ernesto Paredes, Secretary Angela West Efren Arjona

# **Members Absent:**

Elaine Domec

#### **Others Present:**

Jeff Moore, Brown & Hofmeister, LLP (via Zoom) Rick Guerrero, Executive Director Karina Tomlinson, PEDC Manager Dr. Jo Anne Estrada, Visit Pasadena Manager Yolanda Vegas de Eaves, Sr. Office Assistant

#### Call to order:

The Pre-Board meeting for the October 9, 2025, Pasadena Economic Development Corporation was called to order at 3:00 p.m. by President, Rick Lord.

He read through the items on the agenda stopping at the below.

#### Agenda Item Five: Financial Summary Report by Lindsay Koskiniemi, City Controller

The EDC collected \$15.8M in tax revenue to date, out of the \$18.2M that was budgeted. More likely in two months we will hit that amount, if not it will be very close. Regarding sales tax compliance software, she does not believe the EDC is currently using anything, there is an offer from a company that is willing to do pro bono services. She outlined the work process, cost, and commissions, to the Board. R. Lord asked for the firm's name. L. Koskiniemi responded, it is not a firm but an individual, a former Chief Information Technology Officer in Ventura, California. M. Wilkins added, the Board should get other proposals and asked the Controller if she has a track record. K. Tomlinson responded that she could request a report from the firm the EDC uses. They send confidential sales tax reports annually; they are called HdL Companies. We can ask them for proposals on those services and look into what Lindsay is referring to, as well. R. Lord asked M. Wilkins if she heard about liquidating outstanding projects. M. Wilkins responded, she is looking for a report to be given. L. Koskiniemi responded that to obtain that information a meeting with the budget office will be necessary, since they handle the budget for projects and the controller's office prepares the financial reports. Once we receive the information, it can be added to the agenda.

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#### Agenda Item Seven: Little Vince Bayou update by Mary Kailers of Clark Condon

Since the last update two years ago, Clark Condon has worked through documents and permitting. All of that has been cleared up, and she wants to remind the Board what the project scope is. The vision for the project came out of studies by Pasadena Healthy Parks Plan and Pasadena Livable Centers Study. The big part of this project is to link parks and trails with communities, providing access to schools and a better recreational experience throughout the city. The project began back in 2022 with the study phase that included several segments of the trails, followed by design phase. The latter phase went into 2023, followed by an eighteen-month permitting period. Since all permitting is done, the project can move forward with bidding process which it will take about a month. Construction period is anticipated to last about three months. There will be ramp improvements along Scott St. and sidewalks to improve the access in that area in addition to providing better connectivity. M. Kailers went through some images that showed different sites of the project, like existing sidewalks & ramp conditions, utility infrastructure, existing top of bank, and proposed detention. She then showed a map depicting the original and current alignment, from Park Lane down to Scott St. near the existing park. It utilizes the existing bridge to connect to the school and has a segment of trail that wraps around connecting to Lorraine Court, and then over to Harris Avenue. As part of the permitting process, the city asked to remove a couple of segments, adjustments were made to coordinate for potential future project with detention and mitigation between Little Vince and Scott St. M. Kailers continued with a series of slides that showed the proposed alignment and design arraignments. In addition to having the pathway for connectivity, it also includes benches along the sides, on-site parking, and new trees proposed for shaded trails. The anticipated construction time period is about three months, and the budget is \$1,038,000.00. Mayor Thomas Schoenbein asked for the width of the sidewalks and are they going to be the traditional size or expanded. M. Kailers responded they are going to be wider. Mayor Schoenbein asked if this is going to be hiker- bike. M. Kailers responded, yes. She added, there are a few locations along Lorrain Court where the sidewalks are narrower. Mayor Schoenbein asked about the tree planting. Often, trees are planted so close to concrete which can lead to damage. Are they going to be specific trees, not large ones whose roots could spread and damage the concrete? M. Kailers responded that they try to allocate the trees away from the trails so that doesn't occur. M. Wilkins asked if they are away from power lines as well. M. Keilers responded, yes. Council Woman Pat Van Houte asked about the design going along the top of the bank behind houses. The top of the bank is very narrow about eight to ten feet. M. Kailers responded that a survey has been completed. They know what the actual width is, and while is perceived as narrow, yes, you can fit that in that space. Mayor Schoenbein added that he is familiar with some of the areas in that section and added that the grass along the banks is not well maintained and asked who will maintain that. He asked, Harris County, the Flood Control District? K. Tomlinson responded that whenever the project was created back in 2022, there was a team working on it and this was one of the discussions. She does not recall what the determination was. M. Kailers added that at that time the determination was to be, maintained by the city, and added that the maturity of the trail is near the back of the curve and not really on the bayou. E. Paredes added, this will be something to look into. R. Lord asked about the issue with the permits. M. Kailers responded that they had to secure permits with Harris County Flood Control first, then it moved to the Army Corps of Engineers where there were some delays.

# **Agenda Item Eight: Public Hearing**

a. Contract with SER Construction Partners - R. Green explained, it has been thirteen years at this point, and we are moving along. SER is not the lowest bidder, but their confidence far exceeds the other contractors, and they are a local firm, as well. This project will take 50 to 60 acres out of a flood plain that will now be developed. R. Lord added, this is the property from La Porte. R. Green confirmed that. Timothy Buscha, from IDS engineering, offered to answer any questions. S.

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- Benavides added that he is the one with the proposal to provide the design for additional volume, so we can build on the corner lot of Red Bluff and Fairmont and then on the 99 acres. This includes all the detention and mitigation requirements in order to develop however the city chooses. K. Tomlinson added that will be the next item on the agenda, he is representing both projects.
- b. Contract with IDS Engineering Group Tim Buscha, IDS Engineering Group, explained that they have been working supporting Robin and Sarah's team to provide support for the 100 acre-foot regional detention basin facility that the EDC did the land swap. His firm worked with Halff on the city's behalf and also, worked with the Army Corp of Engineers to acquire permits to get the wetlands designated. If you remember, the city did a plat on about 35 acres, that land today is undevelopable because it has a lot of dirt on one side and none on the other. The goal is to excavate the 100-acre foot basin you committed to do to La Porte. Instead of hauling most of that dirt away, we are going to place it on the far west side of the Convention Center, so we bring that acre of the job out of the flood plain and make it available for future use. The parking lot at the Convention Center is being built. We are going to take volume out of those 100 acres to make sure we are providing detention and will make these 33 acres developable by grading it all and smoothing it. Subsequently, that project will plan to expand the regional basin to offset all the detention going now and in the future. You will have two developable sites. One that can be marketed commercially right on Fairmont, and the other one that joins Fairmont and the Convention Center Parking Lot. We will continue to coordinate with Halff and provide an inspector on the ground. It takes us through the project plus digging the 50-acre feet and bidding that out so that we are meeting all the detention requirements, maintaining the commitment to La Porte, providing great flexibility and increase market value for those 33 acres. R. Lord asked T. Buscha if he would like to go through the biding process. He responded that being a project for the EDC, they were able to solicit bids. They went through twelve contractors and had four or five that did submit bids. Two were quite competitive, Clear X, and SER. They look at per year contract, what is the best value to the EDC not necessarily low bid. They evaluate the contractor themselves on their capability. T. Buscha has worked for other EDCs. What does the contractor do for you as an EDC? Is the contractor employed by the city? Is the contractor local? They looked at different ways they bid on items. There were two items that he questioned how they were bid differently. He felt SER offered a much better explanation for their bidding. This is a regional basin next to a big spring creek, and he assumes it is going to fill with water more than once while being excavated. He thinks SER placed more money into that and feels better they are not going to come back later, oh we missed something. He feels this is better for the city, worth a little more investment, a local contractor able to perform the job. At this time K. Tomlinson explained to the Board where in their binders they can find the documents related to this item.

# **Agenda Item Nine: Board Actions- Resolutions**

a. IMPACT Pasadena Renewal – Cristina Womack, Pasadena Chamber CEO stepped forward to give the Board a brief presentation for the annual update. This proposal is not new. It is the same program with a few changes. As you know, IMPACT Pasadena started in 2019 as result of the 2018 strategic plan and recommendation to prepare a pipeline of engaged civic leaders. One of the requests was to provide more information and a survey of measurable outcomes of what the graduates are doing. The objectives are to increase their personal, professional growth, and communication skills. They get introduced to prominent leaders, in Austin during session; they are paired with a mentor, helping them to understand the economic, social, cultural, governmental forces that shape the community. Cristina went through a slide that showed the breakthrough

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achievements of IMPACT Pasadena graduates since completing the program. This all aligns with the Strategic Plan from 2018 and the update from 2023. Primary focus areas are Goal 1, Marketing & Image and Goal 3, Workforce. The next slide showcases a number of participating companies, which ranges from small businesses to large companies, government, and everything in between. Last year during our update, we told you that we were expanding the program because not everybody can commit to eighteen months of an intensive program like IMPACT Pasadena and there were other programs we wanted to expand into the community. We have officially launch the 501c3, IMPACT Leadership Pasadena and Alix Fox, a former graduate form the founding class, is its chairman. The reason to create this non-profit was because it takes partners like the EDC to fund these programs, but a non-profit is a different tax status. We can go after other grants and financial support. This 501c3 will be tied up under the Chamber's umbrella. IMPACT Pasadena will always be the flagship of the program of Leadership Pasadena. The goal is to be an inclusive and thriving community of transformational leaders creating generational impact across the community. Once the current group graduates in December, we have a new program planned. This will be an expansion into a youth program in partnership with PISD and SJC. Another success is the mentorship program. Chad Burke, who is present at today's meeting, has been part of the program since its founding. This is something that we get asked a lot and we are going to explore other opportunities to expand this part of the program focusing on small businesses in the Pasadena Loves Local program to help them excel. This is a way to take pieces of IMPACT to make it available to a broader community. Another matter is the importance to cultivate the community around all the graduates. 80% of our graduates are still in the region giving back to the community. We have created new committees where they can serve and give back. We invite the EDC and the Staff to be a part of those committees to help. There was a great recommendation from the EDC to add Visit Pasadena as a part of the curriculum, for the next cohort. C. Womack went through some testimonials from participants and mentors, and the impact the program had on them. We could take every goal of the strategic plan and tell you about how somebody in the IMPACT community has been a part of that. C. Womack thanked the Board for the support and expressed excitement for the future of the program on 2026.

b. Economic Alliance Houston Port Region Agreement Renewal- Chad Burke, President & CEO, thanked the Board for the opportunity to give an annual update. Our mission is to market and grow the regional economy. All that is done through the Economic Development work that Chad Carson leads. Ultimately, it is about competing for capital investments to support jobs, tax bases for schools, cities, and so on. To be competitive on all that, we need to lay the groundwork with policy at state, local, and federal level. We have to have infrastructure, as well as a workforce trained and skilled to be competitive at a global level. Economic Alliance footprint continues to grow as an organization expanding throughout the region. Looking back historically through the past years, there was almost \$20B in investments, and about forty-seven hundred direct jobs. Tese numbers are just on the projects Economic Alliance has worked on. C. Burke went through some project wins in the region for 2024, and 2025 including the ones in Pasadena. In the project pipeline for 2025, petrochemical projects have slowed, global markets have tightened making this slow down the capital investment. For the last two years Economic Alliance hosted National Site Selection Companies, at the maritime center in Pasadena, giving them a sense of what the port region is. Port of Houston activities continue, in about six years from now we should double where we are right now. He went though some numbers for the Port of Houston based on 2024 data for container commodities on exports and imports. Houston is a 50-50 port. We are the only port in the country where we import as many goods as we export. We have to be competitive in Public Policy. We delivered 2025 Federal Policy White Paper in Washington D.C., attended several

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meetings to work on regional priorities like workforce development, infrastructure, regulatory, and coastal protection from hurricanes, to name some. He went through the progress on transportation, infrastructure, and some of the current road projects like the I610E Ship Channel Bridge and the overlay on the west end of SH225 to name some. Economic Alliance continues to work on Workforce Development with its partners in education. We talk on average with about five-thousand students each year laying out the pathways to high wage careers in the area. Economic Alliance awards Quality of Life matching grants of about \$5,000.00 and invited the EDC to apply. Recently, the Gulf Coast Industry Forum conference took place, and it was fantastic. He wanted to bring attention to the Women's Leadership Luncheon- Women in Alliance. It gets hosted three times per year the last one is coming up on October 29<sup>th</sup>. At these events, we hear from very successful women leaders from all over the industry. Chad Burke concluded his presentation with a report that goes back to 2009 that includes every project Economic Alliance has worked on for the City of Pasadena. These are 30 project wins, 2,200 jobs, \$5.3B in capital investments, and \$31.5M annually in tax revenue. These numbers exceed far beyond any of other cities Economic Alliance works with.

c. Art of Soccer – K. Tomlinson mentioned that she consulted with EDC's attorney Jeff Moore regarding this expenditure since it could expand business for Pasadena. Houston is going to be one of the host cities for the FIFA World Cup next summer. There have been several opportunities that have come up, and the Art of Soccer is one of them. It caught our eye because we are able to create something custom, and we can use an artist from the community. It is an opportunity that doesn't require too much money for the City of Pasadena to be represented. This is a soccer ball that will be on tour starting in January through July. We can do something within the community and also highlight what Pasadena has to offer. Dr. Jo Estrada explained that part of the EDC's strategic plan talks about tourism focused events. When we had the opportunity to look this project over, we were very excited about it. This will be a three-foot soccer ball, made out of fiberglass, which will be painted by an artist. There are two local artists already working for FIFA. After purchased, activated, and painted, these soccer balls will be taken to all the World Cup events throughout Houston as an art exhibit getting a lot of exposure. We have an idea for it to showcase Pasadena's history, infrastructure, and everything that happens here. We know there will be a lot of people coming to these events and not necessarily to the games. She presented a slide that showed some samples of decorated soccer balls, which have been purchased already. There will be twenty-six activations until the games start. We plan on adding a QR code to it that will lead to Visit Pasadena website so people can see all things the city has to offer. The raised funds will support the Sports Authority Foundation, which supports sport leagues for the underserved communities. The cost of the ball is \$10,000.00. This money will go to support the foundation. The cost to cover the artwork and ball transportation is \$6,000.00. It will take six to eight weeks to deliver the ball. If we start the process in November, it will be ready in January. This initiative is a great opportunity for Pasadena, offering high visibility and marketing at a global event. Right now, since we launched our website and social media, we receive messages from people that want to visit seeking information. A. West asked what will happen to the soccer ball after the event. Dr. Estrada responded, we can display it at schools, the Convention Center. It will become a piece that we could continue to use. A. West asked, what she meant by saying "activate", if it refers to take it to different locations. Dr. Estrada responded, yes. A. West wanted to confirm the balls are made out of fiberglass. Dr. Estrada confirmed that and added, they are three feet tall. Mayor Thomas Schoenbein added, we are paying \$10,000 for a soccer ball but \$6,000 of it is going to the artist. Why wouldn't the artist donate the service to be part of something so big? You can take that money and invest in the Pasadena soccer leagues for youth programs instead of having it with

twenty-six other soccer balls that people walk by and randomly just look at. Dr. Estrada responded, the \$10,000.00 is for the ball, and the additional \$6,000.00 is for the artist. Mayor Schoenbein responded, that makes it more concerning to him, \$16,000.00 could go to local youth programs instead of a soccer ball. S. Serrano asked, how many of those foundations have supported Pasadena's league in the past and will they continue to support them? I am all for the soccer ball and supporting arts, but I also care about our residents and our youth. Dr. Estrada responded that this is an opportunity that was presented to us, and she does not know how many soccer leagues they support in Pasadena. She knows this is a marketing tool that a lot of organizations are using, because there will be 26 activations throughout Houston area. S. Serrano asked if any other local cities are committing to this, like La Porte, Deer Park, Pearland for example. Dr. Estrada responded, she wasn't sure but will find out. Mayor Schoenbein added that we have a resident expert here today. Chad Burke is on the Board of the Houston Sports Authority. C. Burke responded that this is two things. it is a fund raiser for hosting the FIFA World Cup. It cost about \$100M to host this event, and each game will be the equivalent to a super bowl. The State of Texas has a funding program that reimburses cities that host things like the Super Bowl because of the economic impact. In this case, the reinvestment from the State of Texas will probably be between \$50M to \$60M. That leaves us roughly with \$40M to be raised from sponsors and programs like this. The city and the county don't make any direct money from hosting this event. It is about the economic impact to the community. This is one of the programs that helps breach the fundraising gap. There are about 20 sponsorship levels that FIFA approves with some of the largest companies. It is a good question that was asked, about which communities benefit from the soccer programs. Part of this program goes back into "Leave No One Behind" initiative, which pays for new fields and develops new leagues around the county as a benefit for hosting the World Cup. He could not tell who gets that money or how that is even determined. That will be a question for Chris Canetti, president of the 2026 FIFA World Cup Houston Host Committee. It happens all around Harris County, but it may or may not be something that Pasadena may be an ideal candidate for that. R. Lord added, they will need stadiums to practice, as well. So who is out there to work that process? C. Burke responded that the process for hosting this event has been unprecedented. Seven games, fourteen teams, we probably have half a dozen practice stadiums, including security and transportation. It has been about a five-year process to get where we are right now. This isn't the only event we are hosting next year. There are other major sports events scheduled for 2026 in the City of Houston. Dr. Estrada added that this will be a marketing opportunity for Pasadena. C. Burke added that he likes the QR Code on the ball. We use them everywhere now. K. Tomlinson added that Sugar Land is sponsoring for \$2.5M compared with \$16,000.00 from Pasadena. It is a big difference. Dr. Estrada added that Julianne Echavarria, EDC Marketing Manager, did a lot of research for this item. She is at a conference and will consult with her about the Board's questions.

#### Agenda Item Ten: Report by Karina Tomlinson, Interim Executive Director

<u>Pasadena Blvd</u> – The remainder of the work to be completed is largely in the HWY225 segment of the project. They are currently installing temporary signal poles at the HWY225 intersection. From the update received from R. Green and the inspectors, the completion date is still expected around December.

<u>Wayfinding Project</u> - We are working on the wayfinding for the Pasadena Plaza project. Right now, they are fabricating prototypes. This is on target to be completed and installed by March 2026. <u>Upcoming items</u> - Little Vince Bayou construction award, we will move to receiving proposals. Clark Condon will review them and recommend an award. As M. Keilers mention, it is going to be over \$1M. It hasn't been appropriated but it was earmarked. There is going to be a follow-up on some of the property acquired from Lyondell. We have one for the right of way maintenance. There is going to be some clean up as far as some properties. We are going to be conveying those to the city. Next month, we are expecting a presentation from Swart

Architects closer to a final design, and a more updated rendering will be presented to the Board. In other items, the Taste of the Town event is next month, she asked the Board to check their emails for VIP invitations. *R. Lord asked what the status with Way-Tech. is.* K. Tomlinson responded that communication was received from them with termination numbers that need to be reviewed. She and Jeff Moore, attorney for the EDC, are going over the letter received the day before and expect to respond within the next three days. They are going to revise it with the Controller's Office, as well. We got the go ahead from J. Moore to share those numbers with the board.

Pre- board meeting adjourned at 4:08 pm.

# PASADENA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

# Board Meeting October 9, 2025, 4:08 p.m. Minutes

# Agenda Item One: Call to order

The Board meeting on October 9, 2025, for Pasadena Economic Development Corporation was called to order at 4:08 pm by Board President, Rick Lord.

#### **Agenda Item Two: Invocation**

Invocation given by: Marilyn Wilkins, Board Vice President.

#### Agenda Item Three: Pledges

Pledges led by: Efren Arjona, Board Member.

#### **Agenda Item Four: Public Comments**

No public comments were made by attendees.

# Agenda Item Five: Financial Summary Report by Lindsay Koskiniemi, City Controller

The report was given during the Pre-Board meeting

#### Agenda Item Six: Approval of minutes from August 28, 2025

Rick Lord called for a motion to approve the minutes from the meeting held on August 25, 2025. Marilyn Wilkins moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Ernesto Paredes. MOTION CARRIED UNANIOUS.

#### Agenda Item Seven: Little Vince Bayou update by Mary Keilers of Clark Condon

The update was given during the Pre-Board meeting.

# Agenda Item Eight: Public Hearing

Public Hearing Opened at 4:11 pm

- a. Consideration to authorize Staff to negotiate and execute a contract with SER Construction Partners, LLC. for the Convention Center Infrastructure Improvements Project (CIP #M026) in the amount of \$6,223,863.10 with a 5% contingency in the amount of \$311,193.16 for a total appropriation of 6,535,056.26.
- a. Consideration to authorize Staff to negotiate and execute an agreement with IDS Engineering Group to provide engineering and surveying services for the Convention Center Infrastructure Improvements Ph II (CIP #D047) in the amount not to exceed \$294,277.00 from the Convention Center Infrastructure Improvements Project account (M026).

Public Hearing Closed at 4:12 pm. No comments made by attendees.

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# **Agenda Item Nine: Board Actions - Resolutions**

- a. **PEDC RESOLUTION 25-019** Consideration to authorize Staff to negotiate and execute an agreement with Leadership Pasadena, Inc. to assist in the continuation of IMPACT Pasadena, in the amount of \$30,000.00.
  - Efren Arjona made a motion, seconded by Ernesto Paredes that PEDC Resolution 25-019 be passed, approved and adopted. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUS.
- b. **PEDC RESOLUTION 25-020** Consideration to negotiate and execute and Economic Development Service Agreement with Economic Alliance Houston Port Region in the amount of \$45,000.00.
  - Salvador Serrano, Jr. made a motion, seconded by Ernesto Paredes that PEDC Resolution 25-020 be passed, approved and adopted. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUS.
- c. Consideration and action regarding The Art of Soccer promotional expenditure concerning the 2026 World Cup.
  - **ITEM DEFERRED** Marilyn Wilkins made a motion to table this item requesting further information with respect to some of the questions asked during the Pre-Board meeting, seconded by Ernesto Paredes. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUS.
- d. **PEDC RESOLUTION 25-021** Consideration to authorize Staff to negotiate and execute a contract with SER Construction Partners, LLC. for the Convention Center Infrastructure Improvements Project (CIP #M026) in the amount of \$6,223,863.10 with a 5% contingency in the amount of \$311,193.16 for a total appropriation of \$6,535,056.26.

Ernesto Paredes made a motion, seconded by Efren Arjona that PEDC Resolution 25-021 be passed approved and adopted.

At this time Marilyn Wilkins took the word. Marilyn Wilkins stated, "I appreciate the work that Karina is doing. But, given the fact that we are currently without an Executive Director, I would like to see in the future, when significant expenditures are placed before the Board without having a detailed review, if necessary that another special meeting be called and published to the community. The main purpose of the meeting should be executive session, so we can ask questions about the RFP process, consideration process, and more detail review that would normally be handled by the Executive Director, in conference with the city. I would like to see the Board in the future handle these large expenditures votes in a different way". R. Lord responded, he thought that they tried to cover that today and he appreciates Robin Green and his staff for making sure there was someone here today to go over everything. If there are questions, he doesn't mind tabling it. He just doesn't know how many meetings we can have. This was the place to ask, they understood we want to hear the process on the bidding process, that's why we wanted to have that discussion. M. Wilkins responded, "I would like to see the Board do it before we are making a recommendation. I would like for us to understand better the nuts and bolts of this. I believe the Board is in a position where we need to trust the decisions that have been made. I would like to see us, because we are responsible for this project and it is so expensive, to be more involved in the evaluation to make sure we aren't subject to criticism in the future". R. Lord responded that he thinks that was kind of what they did today. Everybody knows that what is discussed, is in the

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minutes. All the questions can be laid out in a public forum that is why we have it set up like that. M. Wilkins responded, "we are about to vote on a contract". R. Lord responded, that is why we want to make sure all questions that need to be asked are in due process, if we didn't agree how the bid this process. M. Wilkins responded, "the time to tell me that, is while the bid process is being evaluated, before it's out there, not after it is all done".

Chairman Rick Lord stated there was already a motion and second on the floor, he asked for ayes to which all board members responded with aye. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUS.

e. **PEDC RESOLUTION 25-022** - Consideration to authorize Staff to negotiate and execute an agreement with IDS Engineering Group to provide engineering and surveying services for the Convention Center Infrastructure Improvements Ph II (CIP #D047) in the amount not to exceed \$294,277.00 from the Convention Center Infrastructure Improvements Project account (M026).

Ernesto Paredes made a motion, seconded by Efren Arjona that PEDC Resolution 25-022 be passed, approved and adopted. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUS.

#### Agenda Item Ten: Report by Karina Tomlinson, Interim Executive Director

The report was given during the Pre-Board meeting.

#### Agenda Item Eleven: Comments by Board Members.

<u>Angela West</u> - She thanked everyone for attending the meeting. This was probably one of her favorite board meetings because there was a wealth of information presented, and we had interactions. There were questions asked, that was great. She thanked Mayor Schoenbein, as well, for attending the meeting. The more questions are brought up the more important we are at making decisions. She wished everyone a good day.

Ernesto Paredes – He also thanked everyone for being present.

<u>Efren Arjona</u> – He thanked everyone for being present. He is a big supporter of the World Cup situation; he's been to three world cups, in '94 we missed out in Houston, and it was a big mistake. Whatever we can do to advertise our city trough the World Cup is important. He has been to these parties, three of them and they get crazy, no one realizes how crazy is going to get here. There are not enough hotel rooms. All the hotels in Pasadena along 225 they are going to get booked. He tried to get tickets and missed it. People are going to come to expend money, and it is going to milk out to the communities. So, we just need to be aware of that, and he invited everyone to go to YouTube to look it up. That's his pitch, and he understands the mayor's concern with \$16,000.00. He thanked everyone again.

<u>Marilyn Wilkins</u> – She wished happy Thursday to everyone. It is very pretty outside, but she would like to see rain on her grass. R. Lord added that we have two more months of this weather.

<u>Salvador Serrano, Jr.</u> - He wanted to thank all the city employees, for everything they do. He always tells them they are the heart of the city. He thanked Cristina Womack, and Alix Fox. If everyone would like to know, 2019 class of IMPACT passed a plan for Pasadena 2050 as class project. If everyone wants to know what Pasadena is going to look in 2050 meet with Alix. He thanked Chad Burke for his work and for advocating in Washington and Austin, he knows is not easy.

<u>Rick Lord</u> – He thanked everyone for attending.

# Agenda Item Twelve: Adjournment

Board President, Rick Lord called for a motion to adjourn the October 9, 2025, meeting at 4:21 pm. Salvador Serrano, Jr. moved, seconded by Ernesto Paredes. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUS.

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