

Gun Barrel City Economic Development Corporation 1720 W. Main Street Gun Barrel City, TX 75156

Monday, June 10, 2024 @ 1:00 PM
CR Legacy Event Center – 2205 W. Main Street, Gun Barrel City 75156

Minutes

Strategic Plan Overview

Dave Quinn walked the board through an overview of the Comprehensive Plan Here are the objectives he went over:

- 1.Call to Order/ Establishment of Quorum 1:00 PM
 - a. Present: Roy Key, Keith Bond, Gary Damiano, Paul McCullough, Linda Rankin
- 2. Citizens Comments
 - a. None
- 3. Strategic Plan Overview

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a. Focus on Target Industries

- · Food and Beverage
- Light/Flex Industrial
- · Retail, Tourism and Hospitality
- Medical and Professional
- Develop a Business Retention and Expansion Program
- Bolster Gun Barrel City's Online and Social Media Presence

b. Small Business Growth and Entrepreneurship

- Develop a Small Business Support System
- Connect to the Dallas Entrepreneurship and Innovation Ecosystem
- Develop Amenities for Entrepreneurs and Remote Workers

c. Organizational Alignment

- Organize and Leverage Local Economic Development Partners
- Increase Workforce Development
- Enhance Broadband Internet Infrastructure
- Leverage New Transportation and Utility Infrastructure
- Formalize a Regional Economic Development Entity or Partnership

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d. Real Estate Development

- Engage the Real Estate Industry
- Pursue a multifaceted approach to stimulate the development of commercial office space
- Increase the availability of high-quality, light industrial space and flex space for warehousing and distribution, light manufacturing, and other businesses

e. High-Impact Opportunities and Destination Development

- Reimagine Big Chief as the Lakeview West Gateway
- Reimagine Gun Barrel Lane near Harmon Road as The Peninsula Gateway Lakeside District.
- Establish New Festivals and Events

Goals

Through the guidance of Dave Quinn, the board came to a conclusion of what companies they want to focus on: These include:

a. Top Objectives in the next 18 months

- 1. Focus on BRE
- 2. Small Business Support
- 3. Establishing festivals and events
- 4. Workforce Development

b. Long Term-3 year plan

- Increase Light Industrial
- 2. Retail Strategies
- 3. Increasing social media Property, Golden Shovel
- 4. Increasing Broadband is happening
- 5. Formalizing the Regional Mayor Entity
- 6, Pier 334

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Adjourned at: 5:02 PM

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Signed: