CITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF EL CAMPO REGULAR MEETING March 30, 2009

Board Members Present: Gwen Willis, Randy Collins, Bobby Perez, Don Naiser, Alan Heskamp

Staff Present: Chandra Spenrath, Executive Director; Jessica Thane, Executive Assistant

CDC Attorney: Ronny Collins

Ex-Officios Present: Richard Young, El Campo City Councilman; Phillip Spenrath, Mayor of El Campo

Others: Jim and Vicki Ekstrom, Silver Streak Bass Company; R.C. Whitson, New I.C.M.

- 1. President Willis called the Meeting to order and noted a QUORUM at 4:04 pm.
- 2. The minutes from the Regular Meeting of February 16, 2009 were in the Board Book for approval.

Randy Collins made the MOTION to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on February 16, 2009 as presented. Bobby Perez Seconded the Motion and it passed unanimously.

- 3. The bills and Financial reports for the month of February were reviewed.
- 4. Executive Director Chandra Spenrath gave a Staff Report and Update on :
 - A. Ad for Experience El Campo
 - B. Rice Belt building repairs
 - C. Cardell Incentive Check
 - D. BREPS
 - E. KCS Rail Update
 - F. 2009 Job Fair
 - G. Workforce Development Update
 - a. QuickBooks Class
 - b. Keyboarding Class
 - c. Building Your Own Website
 - d. Excel Class
 - e. HR Record Keeping
 - H. Meetings/Functions Attended
 - a. Northside Education Center
 - b. Rotary presentation
 - c. Rotary Fundraiser
 - d. City Council
 - e. Southern Economic Development Council
 - f. Wharton Chamber Commerce banquet
 - g. TEDC Webinar
 - h. Lunch & Learn w/BCL
- 5. President Gwen Willis opened EXECUTIVE SESSION at 4:11 PM to:

- A. Discuss and deliberate economic development negotiations, as authorized by TEX. GOV'T CODE ANN. 551.087, regarding:
 - a. Project Stitch
 - b. Project Scale
 - c. Project Diamond
 - d. Project Foam
- 6. OPEN SESSION reconvened at 5:56 pm.
 - A. Action taken regarding economic development negotiations:

MOTION was made by Don Naiser and Seconded by Alan Heskamp to provide an \$87,920 forgivable loan as an economic development incentive with no payments and no interest. The loan is to be used for the purchase of used manufacturing equipment as presented in NEW ICM's proposal. The loan would be forgivable in 2 years provided NEW I.C.M. has full time employment of 85 at the end of the two year period.

Randy Collins questioned what would happen if New ICM did not meet the requirements, and the consensus was that the loan would then not be forgivable and full payment would be required. Attorney Ronny Collins asked if a lien on the equipment would be required and the response was, yes a lien would be required. Don Naiser Amended his Motion to include the lien.

President Willis called for a vote on the MOTION and the Motion carried 4:1 with Randy Collins opposed.

7. President Willis Adjourned the meeting at 5:59 pm.