



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE RICE COMMUNITY
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
RICE, TEXAS**

**Monday, November 17th, 2025
6:00 PM
Rice City Hall – Council Chambers
305 N. Dallas Street
Rice, TX 75155**

AGENDA

1. Roll Call

- a. Brandi Solomon
- b. Rolando Chapa
- c. Donna Gipson
- d. Sarah Farley
- e. Archa Cassel
- f. Tristine Slayton

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

3. Texas Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Texas State Flag

"Honor the Texas flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible.

4. Prayer

5. Public Forum

6. Agenda Items

1. Discuss Investment Account with David Perez via Zoom
2. Discuss and Deliberate an Investment Policy
 - See attached
3. EDC Board Announcements
 - Property purchase for GW Pollan Property/Plans for Property
 - Trenching and electric work to start week of 11/10
 - Budget adjustment approved by City Council
 - Carolina Update
 - Discover Rice – Holidays
 - Grants
4. Discuss and Deliberate purchasing Christmas Decorations for EDC Property
5. Discuss and Deliberate EDC Room for Business Hub
Use as an example of budget/time/move-in ready room to support updated Business Hub policies
6. Discuss and Deliberate Financial Statement
See attached 10/2025
7. Discuss and Deliberate Meeting Minutes
See attached 10/2025

7. Adjourn

I hereby certify that the above notice of meeting was posted on the bulletin board of City Hall, City of Rice, Texas, a place readily accessible to the general public at all times, on the _____ day of _____ 2025 by _____ p.m., and remained posted for at least 3 business days preceding the scheduled time of said meeting.

Name Title



**REGULAR MEETING OF THE RICE COMMUNITY
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RICE, TEXAS**

Monday, October 27th, 2025

6:00 PM

**Rice City Hall – Council Chambers
305 N. Dallas Street
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MINUTES

1. Roll Call

- a. Brandi Solomon
- b. Rolando Chapa - Late 6:10
- c. Donna Gipson
- d. Sarah Farley
- e. Archa Cassel - Late 6:39
- f. Tristine Slayton

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Texas Pledge of Allegiance

4. Prayer

5. Public Forum

6. Agenda Items

A - EDC Board Announcements

- Property survey for GW Pollan Property has been completed (Property ID: 42803, Legal Acreage: 0.26 – 110' x 115')
 - We will need to have the Surveyor come back out to provide a plat map.
- Lights have been delivered to the compound
- Engagement letter for legal services was executed and delivered
- Discover Rice/EDC at the Fall Festival
 - Carolina is still advertising our Discover Rice campaign and is actively looking for grant opportunities.

B - Discuss and deliberate Property Purchase Agreement Amendments

- Mark Reynolds has also requested that we name the property “Pollan Family Park”
 - Rolando made a motion to accept the purchase agreement with the changes as follows - the Pollan Family “property” (not “the park” as noted), will be named “Pollan Family Park”
 - Donna 2nd. Ayes - Brandi, Sarah, Tristine. Motion Passes.

C - Discuss and deliberate plans for the arch entrance downtown

- Updated pricing to include brick
 - Pricing would be \$8,150 with brick \$6,350 without.
- Wording (re-visit after previous deliberation) *this is for grant and donation purposes, keeping open the opportunity for a donor to have a potential dedication
- We will proceed with collecting sign bids with a 20-character number as a placeholder amount until a formal name is decided.

D - Discuss Investment Account Option

- The EDC would like to discuss our options with the TexPool representative.

E - Discuss and Deliberate Budget Adjustment/Resolution 950-10-9502 *EDC Property Improvements*

- We did not spend our property improvement budget in the last fiscal year and did not account for the roll-over to fund Phase 1 of the Downtown Project when we did the 2026 budget (now in effect). Phase 1 remaining cost - \$28,500
 - Archa made a motion to move \$28,500 from Reserves to Property Improvements
 - Rolando 2nd. Ayes - Brandi, Sarah, Donna. Motion Passes.

F - Discuss and Deliberate Financial Statement - See attached 09/2025

- Rolando made a motion to accept the financial statement under the condition that Vickie Fisher will look into the \$10,000 discrepancy between our financial statement and our bank statement.
 - Donna 2nd. Ayes - Brandi, Sarah, Tristine, Archa. Motion Passes

G - Discuss and Deliberate Meeting Minutes - See attached 09/2025

- Archa made a motion to accept the minutes from the September meeting.
 - Donna 2nd. Ayes - Brandi, Sarah, Tristine, Archa. Motion Passes

7. Adjourn

- Meeting adjourned at 6:57pm

Attest: _____ Date: _____ Secretary

Attest: _____ Date: _____ Administrator