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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Economic Development

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DATE: February 03, 2026

SUBJECT

Consider nominations and reappointments to the City of Denton Economic Development Partnership Board.

BACKGROUND

This item is to consider the annual appointments to the Economic Development Partnership Board (EDPB). The ordinance establishing the EDPB requires that the City Council appoint three (3) people to serve as a Nominating Committee. The Committee is made up of two (2) City Council Members and one (1) member of the Chamber of Commerce. At the December 2, 2025, City Council meeting, the City Council appointed the 2025-2026 Nominating Committee. The City Council representatives were Council Member Jill Jester and Council Member Vicki Byrd. The Chamber of Commerce representative was Marty Rivers.

EDPB members serve two-year terms and may serve as many as three terms. The ordinance requires that the members fall into specific categories when they are appointed to the Board (see table below). The UNT and TWU representatives have no limitations on their terms but must be reappointed by City Council as needed. The City Manager, the President of the Chamber of Commerce, and the DISD Superintendent serve as ex-officio members and have no defined terms of service.

Current EDPB Board Members

Member	Seat	Current Term	Term Number	Eligible
Vicki Byrd	City Council	2025-2027	1	N/A
Jill Jester	City Council	2024-2026	1	N/A
Lee Ramsey	Denton Chamber Board of Directors	2024-2026	2	N
Aimee Bissett	Denton Chamber Board of Directors	2023-2025	1	Y
Ron Crockett	Top 20 Taxpayer	2024-2026	1	N
Brian Danhof	Top 20 Taxpayer	2023-2025	1	Y
Jason Tomlinson*	TWU President/Chancellor /Designee	2024-2026	N/A	N
Aaron Roberts *	UNT President/Designee	2023-2025	N/A	Y
Leo Morales	Hispanic Chamber of Commerce	2024-2026	1	N
Kerry Goree	Denton Black Chamber of Commerce	2023-2025	2	Y
Rick Woolfolk	Aviation	2023-2025	1	Y
Jeremy Fykes	At-Large	2024-2026	2	N
<i>Erin Carney</i>	<i>Denton Chamber President</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>N/A</i>
<i>Sara Hensley</i>	<i>City Manager</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>N/A</i>	<i>N/A</i>

*The President of UNT and the Chancellor/President of TWU and their designees are not restricted to the three-term limit. However, such member must be reappointed by City Council for each term.

Members Eligible for Reappointment

The following members are eligible and willing to continue serving in their current seats, with the exception of the College President or Designee seat, which has been requested to be reassigned to Kimberley Garza Turner.

Board Member	Terms Completed	No. of Eligible Terms	Member wants to continue board service
Aimee Bissett	1	2	Yes
Brian Danhof	1	2	Yes
Clyde Rick Woolfolk*	1	2	Yes
Kerry Goree	2	1	Yes
Aaron Roberts	1	Unlimited	No
Ron Crockett	.5	2.5	No

*Rick Woolfolk currently serves as the Chair of the Downtown Economic Development Committee; a subcommittee of the Economic Development Partnership Board.

Vacant Seat

Ron Crockett, Top 20 Taxpayer is unable to continue serving on the board. The Top 20 Taxpayer seat is vacant and needing to be filled. A list of Top 20 Taxpayers will be provided to the Committee for consideration of representation to fill this vacancy.

The Nominating Committee met and reviewed the list of seats up for nomination/appointment (as indicated above). The Committee has confirmed the willingness to serve of each of the nominees and offers the following slate of nominees to the City Council:

New Appointments

- **Lucy Hedari, Top 20 Taxpayer**
 - This would be Ms. Hedari's first term.
- **Kimberly Garza Turner, UNT President/Designee**
 - This would be Ms. Garza Turner's first term.

Reappointments

- **Aimee Bissett, Denton Chamber of Commerce Board of Representatives**
 - This would be Ms. Bissett's second term.
- **Bryan Danhof, Top 20 Taxpayer**
 - This would be Mr. Danhof's second term
- **Clyde Rick Woolfolk, Aviation**
 - This would be Mr. Woolfolk's second term.
- **Kerry Goree, Denton Black Chamber of Commerce**
 - This would be Mr. Goree's third term

PRIOR ACTION/REVIEW

December 2, 2025 – Council selected the EDPB Nominating Committee.

January 21, 2026 – Nominating Committee met to propose appointments to the Economic Development Partnership Board.

EXHIBITS

Exhibit 1 – Agenda Information Sheet

Exhibit 2 – EDP Board Ordinance (No. 2022-1672)

Respectfully Submitted,
Brittany Sotelo
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