



City of Denton

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AGENDA INFORMATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: Economic Development

ACM: Christine Taylor

DATE: December 2, 2025

SUBJECT

Consider appointing a nominating committee to recommend appointees to serve on the Economic Development Partnership Board.

BACKGROUND

Per the ordinance establishing the Economic Development Partnership Board (EDPB), the City Council must appoint a three-member Nominating Committee each year. This committee includes:

- Two (2) City Council Members
- One (1) Denton Chamber of Commerce representative

For Council's consideration, two Council Members must be selected to serve on the Nominating Committee. The Denton Chamber of Commerce has selected Marty Rivers as its representative.

The Nominating Committee Scope:

- Soliciting nominations
- Contacting nominees to explain responsibilities and confirm interest
- Gathering recommendations from:
 - Chamber Board of Directors
 - President of UNT
 - President/Chancellor of TWU
 - Denton Black Chamber of Commerce Board
 - Denton Hispanic Chamber of Commerce Board
- Considering diversity, qualifications, and alignment with Board functions
- Presenting a slate of nominees to City Council for approval

The table below shows the current composition of the Board. Rows highlighted in blue indicate seats that are eligible for reappointment or require a new appointment by the nominating committee, based on the qualifications and criteria defined for each seat.

Member	Seat	Term	Term #	Eligible for Reappointment
Vicki Byrd	City Council	2025–2027	1	N/A
Jill Jester	City Council	2024–2026	1	N/A
Lee Ramsey	Chamber Board	2024–2026	2	No, still serving through 2026

Aimee Bissett	Chamber Board	2023–2025	1	Yes, and would like to continue serving
Ron Crockett	Top 20 Taxpayer	2024–2026	1	No, unable to continue serving
Brian Danhof	Top 20 Taxpayer	2023–2025	1	Yes, and would like to continue serving
Jason Tomlinson	TWU	2024–2026	N/A	N/A
Aaron Roberts	UNT	2023–2025	N/A	No, UNT has provided a new representative
Leo Morales	Hispanic Chamber	2024–2026	1	No, still serving through 2026
Kerry Goree	Black Chamber	2023–2025	2	Yes, and would like to continue serving
Clyde Rick Woolfolk	Aviation	2023–2025	1	Yes, and would like to continue serving
Jeremy Fykes	At-Large	2024–2026	2	No, still serving through 2026
Erin Carney	Chamber President (Ex-Officio)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sara Hensley	City Manager (Ex-Officio)	N/A	N/A	N/A
Susannah O’Bara	DISD Superintendent (Ex-Officio)	N/A	N/A	N/A

Past Nominating Committee Members

Year	City Council Member	City Council Member	Denton Chamber of Commerce Member
FY19-20	Chris Watts	Jesse Davis	Marty Rivers
FY20-21	Chris Watts	Paul Meltzer	Marty Rivers
FY21-22	Gerard Hudspeth	Vicki Byrd	Marty Rivers
FY22-23	Gerard Hudspeth	Vicki Byrd	Jill Jester
FY23-24	Gerard Hudspeth	Vicki Byrd	Jill Jester
FY24-25	Jill Jester	Paul Meltzer	Marty Rivers

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends appointing a nominating committee to recommend appointees to serve on the Economic Development Partnership Board prior to February EDP meeting posting date on January 20, 2026.

EXHIBITS

Exhibit 1 – Agenda Information Sheet

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

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