**GOVERNOR’S BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL**

**Minutes of August 25, 2022 Meeting**

Videoconference Meeting

2:00 PM

**VIDEOCONFERENCE MEETING**

**GOVERNOR’S BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:**

Judge Marty Lucke (Chair), Juli A. Blanda, Akbar Kara, Lindsey A. Lee, Kirk Petty, Edward “Kenny” Scudder, Hatch Smith Jr., William “Bill” Sproull, Greg Conte, William F. “Bill” Hetherington, County Clerk Schelana Myers Hock, Mayor Frank Moreno, Jr., Edward J. “Eddy” Smith

**STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:**

Lindsey Aston, Larry McManus, Stephen Davis, Philip Rocha

*The Governor’s Broadband Development Council (“Council”) proceeded on posted agenda items in the order as follows:*

**Agenda Item I.** **CALL TO ORDER**

Judge Marty Lucke, Chairman of the Council, called the meeting to order at 2:14 P.M.

**Agenda Item II. CHAIR WELCOME, REMARKS AND ROLL CALL**

The roll was called and members present are listed; a quorum was present.

**Agenda Item III.** **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE COUNCIL MEETING ON JULY 28, 2022 (Draft available at https://gov.texas.gov/business/page/governors-broadband-development-council)**

Action: Council Member Bill Sproull moved to approve the minutes from the Council meeting on July 28, 2022. The motion was seconded by Kirk Petty. The motion carried unanimously.

**Agenda Item IV. Discussion of the 2022 electronic report due to the governor, the lieutenant governor, and the members of the legislature from the Council under Section 490H.007 of the Texas Government Code**

Subcommittee Chairs provided input and will continue drafting sections of the report.

**Agenda Item V. COMMENTS BY COUNCIL SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIRS PROVIDING AN UPDATE FROM THEIR RESPECTIVE SUBCOMMITTEES AND COUNCIL REVIEW, DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND/OR POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING SAME**

Subcommittee Chairs provided an update on their respective subcommittees during agenda item IV; therefore, the Chair skipped agenda item V.

**Agenda Item VI. COMMENTS BY GREG CONTE, DIRECTOR OF THE tEXAS BROADBAND DEVELOPMENT OFFICE, TEXAS COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS, PROVIDING AN UPDATE FROM HIS OFFICE AND COUNCIL REVIEW, DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND/OR POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING SAME**

Greg Conte shared an update on the status of federal broadband funds being pursued. He also discussed how his office plans to develop the first broadband availability map for Texas.

**Agenda Item VII. COMMENTS BY JENNIFER HARRIS OF THE NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATions and information administration PROVIDING AN UPDATE FROM her office AND COUNCIL REVIEW, DISCUSSION, CONSIDERATION, AND/OR POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING SAME**

Jennifer Harris shared and update on activities at the National Telecommunications and Information Administration as well as how federal planning funds could be used.

**Agenda Item VIII. Review, Discussion, Consideration and/or Possible Action on Council Next Steps for Following Meeting(s)**

Chairman Lucke suggested September 15th and September 29th as likely dates for additional Council meetings.

**Agenda Item IX. COMMENTS WITHOUT DELIBERATION**

Public comment may be received on any matter under the Council's jurisdiction without regard to whether the item was posted on the agenda. No public comments were received.

**Agenda Item X. ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Lucke called the meeting to a close at 2:48 PM.

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County Judge Marty Lucke, Chair Date