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To: Mayor and City Council Members

From: Scott Jones, Economic Development Director

Date: April 15, 2026

RE: **March 14 to April 11<sup>th</sup> Economic Development Department Activity Briefing**

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- Conducted weekly Hunt Technical Team Project Virtual Meetings; attended calls with SDG and meetings with Hunt Development; met with Hunt and Council members 2 at a time to discuss Strategic Roadmap; Council approved revised and expanded City Hall/Library property purchase LOI to include infrastructure mechanism to enable initial construction of civic portion March 18 and City Manager executed;
- Attended booth with Manor Chamber at Greater Austin Asian Chamber's Asia X Austin Summit event during SXSW; attended City's Easter Eggstravaganza 2026;
- Met with Venu Reddy Avula on 6.8 acre retail tract adjoining Manor Town Square to discuss potential for purchase and inclusion in the development and PID;
- Met with Jimmy Krantz, Michael Burrell and A.C. Steadman of Kimley-Horn re: Krantz property predevelopment issues and potential access easements or roadway dedication;
- Sent information on 9 property requests and answered 12 calls requesting site information;
- Responded to ongoing developer requests on 5 active development projects (Manor Commons 3, Han's, Manor Town Center, BuildBlock, Kimbro Crossing);
- Meeting with Las Entradas developer Endeavor and City Staff, Mayor regarding SUP request; met w/Weitzman Group brokers re: national warehouse discount retailer for Manor
- Discussed prospect Gencor/Sanroo economic impact analysis with Paul Scheuren at Impact DataSource and directed follow-up questions to corporate principals;
- Met with Austin ETJ property owner about de-annexing and annexation into Manor to potentially provide incentives (if ESD#12 will agree to share sales taxes in the new annexation) for location of another major national warehouse discount retailer;
- Met w/ CapMetro re: CPRG grant program and concerns about adding mid-day 990 routes;
- Attended Manor Chamber lunch meeting, MEF Quarterly Board Meeting, Central Texas CCIM Chapter event, and Opportunity Austin ED Council Meeting;
- Submitted an Opportunity Austin stakeholder interview; Teams meeting with Library Services and Systems to discuss contract for services;
- SportClips, Subway, and Jalisco Tequila Bar and Grill Ribbon Cuttings;
- Attended Opportunity Austin Taiwanese Business Delegation meeting in downtown Austin and made numerous contacts with Taiwan business representatives;
- Attended 4 City Staff Meetings; 2 Regular City Council Meetings;