

WYLIE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

The Wylie citizens, as authorized by the Texas State Legislature, created the Wylie Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) via the passage of a half-cent sales tax increase in 1990. Funds received by the WEDC are used solely to enhance and promote economic development within the Wylie community.

STAFFING	BUDGET 2019-2020	BUDGET 2020-2021	BUDGET 2021-2022	BUDGET 2022-2023
Executive Director	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Director of Business Retention	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Senior Assistant	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Administrative Assistant	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.0
TOTAL	3.0	3.0	4.0	4.0

The primary objectives of the WEDC are to increase local employment opportunities while enhancing and diversifying the City of Wylie’s tax base. The WEDC currently employs four full-time staff members to manage daily operations and reports directly to a 5-member Board of Directors appointed by the Wylie City Council. Ex-Officio Members of the Board include the sitting Mayor and current City Manager. Meetings typically occur on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:30 a.m. and on an as-needed basis at WEDC offices located at 250 S. Highway 78.

The Wylie City Council provides oversight of the WEDC via approval of Bylaws, appointment of Board Members, approval of annual budgets, review of monthly expenditures and project approval. The City of Wylie Finance Department processes all financial functions of the WEDC and coordinates an annual Financial Audit by an independent, third-party firm. While WEDC staff are City employees for the purpose of participating in group insurance plans, WEDC staff reports directly to the WEDC Board of Directors.

WEDC Board of Directors	Current Appointment	Term Expires
Demond Dawkins, President	07/2021	06/2024
Melisa Whitehead, Vice President	06/2022	06/2025
Gino Mulliqi, Secretary	06/2022	06/2025
Tim Gilchrist, Treasurer	07/2020	06/2023
Blake Brininstool	07/2021	06/2024