CRETE ED/LB840 ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

October 7th, 2026 at 4:00 PM

Crete City Hall, 243 East 13th Street

MINUTES

Notice of the meeting was given by posting, the appointed method for giving notice as shown by the attached notice, at the following locations:

City Hall, 243 East 13th Street
Post Office, 1242 Linden Avenue
City Bank and Trust, 1135 Main Avenue

Advance notice of the meeting was also given to committee members. Pursuant to Section 84-1412(8) of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act, the City has posted a current copy of the Open meetings Act, Laws of the State of Nebraska, in the back of the council chambers. All proceedings shown were taken while the meeting was open to the attendance of the public.

1. Open Meeting

2. Roll Call

Manny Dimas: Present
Ken Marvin: Absent
Veronica Ortiz: Present
Liz Umana: Present
Present: 3, Absent:1

3. Consent Agenda

3.A. Meeting Minutes

3.A.1. July 16th, 2026 Meeting Minutes

Liz Umana motioned and Manny Dimas seconded to approve the July 7th, 2026 meeting minutes with corrections.

Manny Dimas: Aye, Liz Umana: Aye, Veronica Oritz: Aye

3.B. Financial Report

City Administrator Tom Ourada mentioned that this is the first month of the 2026-2027 Fiscal Year. Ourada went through and explained the financial report.

4. Special Order of Business
4.A. City of Crete Economic Development Plan
4.A.1. Status of Investments with Performance Requirements
4.A.2. Housing
4.B. Applications for Consideration
4.B.1. Diamante Beauty Salon LLC LB840 Application

Maria Murillo with Diamante Beauty Salon LLC addressed the ED/LB840 Advisory Board and explained that she would like to request funding to help modernize her salon with updated professional equipment and furnishings. Some of the equipment she would like to purchase includes new client waiting room chairs, professional styling chairs, a shampoo backwash station, salon storage and eyelash extension lighting and vacuum system.
Advisory Board member Liz Umana asked Murillo about parking and Murillo stated that additional parking is not needed since she schedules her clients and there is parking on the side of the street.

City Administrator Tom Ourada stated that up to 50% of the total amount is what is allowed in the LB840 program.
Manny Dimas motioned and Veronica Ortiz seconded to approve the Diamante Beauty Salon LLC LB840 Application in the amount of up to $2,223.90
Liz Umana: Aye, Veronica Ortiz: Aye, Manny Dimas: Aye

4.C. Application Introductions

4.D. Discussion on Alley Paving

City Administrator Tom Ourada stated that this alley paving was petitioned in and they didn't do anything with LB840. It went over budget by around $67,000 because it had a really soft base. It had to be over-excavated and then a lot of rebar and other things like that had to be done. It was a really expensive project to be assessed to all the businesses. Ourada asked the advisory board if there was interest in doing some assistance like 50/50 on that paving. LB840 Advisory Board Chair Manny Dimas asked if that would be helping the business or the City. Ourada explained that would helping businesses. The LB840 Advisory Board members asked if they could please get more information on the total cost of the project. Ourada explained that information would be emailed to them so they can look it over before the next meeting.

5. Officers' Reports

City Administrator Tom Ourada reminded the members that there needs to be three more members in the advisory board. There was discussion and the members stated they would think about some possibility of members.

6. Adjournment
The meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.