



**THE CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF DOUGLAS
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
WEDNESDAY, JULY 22, 2026 AT 10:00 AM
415 WEST WILEY ROAD, SUITE 103, DOUGLAS, MI
49406**

MINUTES

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** By Chair Walker
- 2. ROLL CALL/QUORUM:** PRESENT - Dave Laakso, Kabri Martyniek, Randy Walker, Cathy North, Lauren Bachman, Ruth Crowe, Alexia Dawson, Jim Babcock, Cindy Miller
- 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
Motion by Bachman, second by Laakso, to approve the Agenda of July 22, 2026 – Motion carried by unanimous voice vote
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
Motion by Bachman, second by Dawson, to approve the minutes from June 26, 2026. – Motion carried by unanimous voice vote
- 5. OFFICER REPORTS**
 - A. Treasurer – included in packet
 - B. Secretary
 - C. Vice Chair
- 6. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION – WRITTEN:** None
- 7. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION – VERBAL:** Public comments were received
- 8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None
- 9. NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. Planning Commission Recommendation - 211, 217, and 225 W. Center Street - Special Land Use (Ground-Floor Residential) - Planning and Zoning Administrator Sean Homyen
 1. Applicant Presentation
 2. Planning and Zoning Administrators Report
 3. Public Comments
 4. DDA Member Questions

Motion by Dawson, second by Bachman, to recommend [approval/denial] to the Planning Commission for the request made by Turan Ufuk for special land use approval for Ground Floor Residential, per Section 26.13 of the City of the Village of Douglas Zoning Ordinance, for the parcel identified as P.P. 59-016-039-21/59-016-039-22/59-016-039-20, located at 211, 217, 225, W. Center St. – Motion carried by unanimous voice vote

B. Community Events Grant Request - Oktoberfest

Motion by Dawson, second by North, to approve a community events grant program request from Community Pride in the amount of \$3,000 for Oktoberfest activities to be allocated from the Community Promotions budget. – Motion carried by unanimous voice vote

- C. Proposal from Dorelle Henri to hold a Peace it Together event in Douglas (Committee formed)
- D. Downtown Douglas Summer Bucket List Flyer
- E. Busker Fest Update
- F. Downtown Day Update
- G. "Marketing for Construction"
- H. Advertising on the Interurban

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Marketing Committee Updates

Website Committee Update - branding next steps

Q4 Events Update (MI Downtown Day Prep, Busker Fest, Fall, Small Business Friday and/or Pink Friday, Tree Lighting Ceremony, and Holiday Preview)

11. STAFF/MANAGER REPORTS: City Manager Nocerini provided updates

12. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION – VERBAL: None

13. BOARD COMMENTS: Final comments received

14. CHAIR COMMENTS: None

15. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Dawson, second by Laakso, to adjourn the meeting.