

GLADSTONE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (EDC) REGULAR MEETING

Electric Department Conference Room 10 North 11th Street June 10, 2025 12:00 PM

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

EDC Chair, Steve Tackman, called the meeting to order at 12:09 PM ET.

1. Roll Call

PRESENT	ABSENT
Gary Maynard	Dirk Manson
Jim Andersen	Michael Nardi
Kevin Gendron	Steve DeLaire
Steve O'Driscoll	Steve Soderman
Steven Tackman	

Others in Attendance: Eric Buckman, Patricia West, Janice Frizzell, Ed LeGault

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Gendron, seconded by Andersen to approve the consent agenda. Voting Yea: Maynard, Andersen, Gendron, O'Driscoll, Tackman

MOTION CARRIED.

2. EDC Regular Meeting Minutes of February 18, 2025

Motion made by Andersen, seconded by Gendron to approve the EDC Regular Meeting Minutes of February 18, 2025.

Voting Yea: Maynard, Andersen, Gendron, O'Driscoll, Tackman

MOTION CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

3. DelFab Update

Manager Buckman reported that he is currently working with a prospective buyer for the Delfab property. If the sale is finalized, the new business is expected to employ up to 45 individuals, primarily in welding and machining positions.

4. GIS & Industrial Property Valuation

City Assessor Janice Frizzell provided an overview of the GIS tools available on the City's website, including guidance on how to access property valuation information.

During the discussion, it was suggested that including a "last updated" date on GIS data would enhance usability. Frizzell agreed to explore the feasibility of adding this feature.

4. Year to Date Financial Report

The year-to-date financial report was reviewed during the meeting. It was noted that the contract with Orange Cat Media will not be renewed, and the board was encouraged to consider alternative ways to utilize the \$3,000 previously allocated for Community Promotion.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager Buckman invited DDA Director Patricia West to provide an update on the 2025 Farmers Market season, which is off to an excellent start. Vendor participation has more than doubled compared to last year, and the DDA expressed pride in Downtown Ambassador Samantha Gaudino for her ambition and dedication to growing the event and increasing foot traffic downtown.

West also noted that there is a vacancy on the DDA Board and encouraged attendees to share the opportunity with anyone who meets the qualifications and would be a strong advocate for shaping the future of Downtown Gladstone.

Additionally, Buckman provided updates on the Grand View Estates and Braves Avenue residential development projects, both of which are currently underway.

DELTA COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY REPORT

Ed LeGault from the Economic Development Alliance provided an update on the ongoing momentum and revitalization efforts throughout Delta County. He emphasized the importance of storytelling, highlighting the need for communities to actively share their narratives—particularly those centered on the region's high quality of life. LeGault also noted the increased success of the fairgrounds, which has seen significant growth in utilization over the past few years.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Gendron, seconded by O'Driscoll to adjourn at 1:11 PM. Voting Yea: Maynard, Andersen, Gendron, O'Driscoll, Tackman *MEETING ADJOURNED.*