

These By-laws and Rules of Procedure are adopted by the City of Gladstone Downtown Development Authority (hereinafter called DDA) pursuant to Public Act 197 of 1975.

II. MEMBERSHIP

- A. The DDA shall consist of the mayor and ten members selected by the mayor, who shall be appointed by the mayor, subject to the approval by a majority vote of the members elect of the City Commission.
- B. The majority of the members shall be persons having an interest in property in the downtown district. A minimum of one member shall be a resident of the downtown district and one member shall be a representative of Gladstone Area Schools.
- C. The term of each DDA member shall be four years. All members shall hold office until their successors are appointed. Members may be removed from office by the City Commission for misfeasance, malfeasance or nonfeasance upon written charges and after a public hearing.
- D. Vacancies occurring in office other than through the expiration of term shall be filled through appointment by the mayor for the un-expired term.
- E. Members of the DDA shall serve without compensation for their services, unless otherwise provided by the City Commission.
- F. Members of the DDA and staff shall be entitled to receive reimbursement for expenses incurred for travel in the performance of activities authorized by the City Commission, including but not limited to, attendance at conferences, workshops, educational and training programs and meetings. Such reimbursement for expenses shall be at the rates provided by the city for travel by City Staff. However, the following types of travel shall not be eligible for reimbursement:
 1. Travel to and from DDA meetings.
 2. Local travel for the purpose of viewing sites, which will be the subject of DDA action.
 3. Attendance at conferences, workshops, education and training programs and meetings, which are held within a radius of ten (10) miles from Gladstone City Hall.
 4. Travel for which there is no funds available in the DDA budget.
 5. Travel which the chairperson of the DDA, in his or her sole discretion, determines to be not eligible for reimbursement under these provisions.

III. OFFICERS

A. Selection