

GRAND RAPIDS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, April 11, 2024 4:15 PM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a regular meeting of the Grand Rapids Economic Development Authority will be held in the City Council Chambers in the Grand Rapids City Hall, 420 North Pokegama Avenue, in Grand Rapids, Minnesota on Thursday, April 11, 2024 immediately following the closed session.

CALL TO ORDER

President Blake called the meeting to order at 4:20 PM.

CALL OF ROLL

PRESENT

Commissioner Al Hodnik, President Sholom Blake, Commissioner Wayne Bruns, Commissioner Bill Martinetto, Commissioner Molly MacGregor

ABSENT

Commissioner Tom Sutherland, Commissioner Malissa Bahr

STAFF

Rob Mattei and Mandy Mitchell

SETTING OF THE REGULAR AGENDA - This is an opportunity to approve the regular agenda as presented, or to add/delete an agenda item by a majority vote of the Commissioners present.

Approved without additions.

APPROVE MINUTES

1. Consider approving minutes from the March 28, 2024 Regular Meeting

Motion made by Commissioner Martinetto, second by Commissioner MacGregor to approve the minutes from the March 28, 2024 Regular Meeting. The following voted in favor thereof: Commissioner Hodnik, President Blake, Commissioner Bruns, Commissioner Martinetto, Commissioner MacGregor. Opposed: None, motion passed unanimously.

APPROVE CLAIMS

2. Consider approval of claims in the amount of \$47,718.75

Motion by Commissioner Bruns, second by Comissioner Hodnik to approve claims in the amount of \$47,718.75. The following voted in favor thereof: Commissioner Hodnik, President Blake, Commissioner Bruns, Commissioner Martinetto, Commissioner MacGregor. Opposed: None, motion passed unanimously.

BUSINESS

3. Consider adopting a resolution supporting a modification to the development program for the City's Development District 1, establishing TIF District 1-16 and supporting a property tax abatement for certain property in the City.

Community Development Director Mattei explained Oppidan Inc. requesting TIF and gave a PowerPoint presentation on the topic followed by questions and discussion.

Motion by Commissioner Hodnik, second by Commissioner MacGregor to adopt a resolution supporting a modification to the development program for the City's Development District 1, establishing TIF District 1-16 and supporting a property tax abatement for certain property in the City. The following voted in favor thereof: Commissioner Hodnik, President Blake, Commissioner Bruns, Commissioner Martinetto, Commissioner MacGregor. Opposed: None, motion passed unanimously.

4. Consider adopting a resolution supporting a modification of a tax increment financing district within City's Development District 1.

Community Development Director Rob Mattei provided a PowerPoint presentation explaining HWY 35 Properties LLC. filing an application for Business Assistance requesting Tax Increment Financing (TIF).

Motion by Commissioner Martinetto, second by MacGregor to adopt a resolution supporting a modification of a tax increment financing district within City's Development District 1. The following voted in favor thereof: Commissioner Hodnik, President Blake, Commissioner Bruns, Commissioner Martinetto, Commissioner MacGregor. Opposed: None, motion passed unanimously.

UPDATES

Community Development is spending time on applications for the Workforce Housing Program and transacting with L&M and the airport property.

ADJOURN

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 5:03 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Mandy Mitchell, Recorder

MEMBERS & TERMS

Tom Sutherland - 12/31/2024 Council Representative Molly MacGregor - 12/31/2024 Council Representative Wayne Bruns - 3/1/25 Sholom Blake - 3/1/25 Al Hodnik - 3/1/27 Bill Martinetto - 3/1/27 Malissa Bahr - 3/1/30