



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES

City of New Prague

Wednesday, December 10, 2025 at 7:30 AM

City Hall Council Chambers - 118 Central Ave N

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by EDA President Brent Quast at 7:30 a.m. with the following members present: Brent Quast, Eric Krogman, Nick Slavik, Austin Reville, Bruce Wolf and Charles Nickolay. Absent was Troy Pint.

Staff Present: City Administrator Joshua Tetzlaff and Planning/Community Development Director Ken Ondich.

Others Present: Tony Buthe (School District) and Keith Dahl (Ehlers) (via GoTo Meeting).

2. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Nickolay, seconded by Quast.

Motion carried (6-0)

- a. November 19, 2025 EDA Meeting Minutes
- b. Claims for Payment: **\$583.78**

3. BUSINESS RETENTION AND EXPANSION (BR&E) PROGRAM

It was noted that a visit with McDonald's would be happening at 2 p.m. that day.

4. BUSINESS UPDATES

Ondich provided the monthly business updates.

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5. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC PLAN

Keith Dahl, joining virtually via GoToMeeting, provided an overview of the EDA Strategic Plan. Bruce Wolf questioned the word "diverse" being used to describe the City's tax base in the draft strategic plan. The EDA had discussion of what diverse meant in terms of the tax base and how compares to other area cities of similar size, how the EDA wants to operate and if there's a desire to try to keep up with the current level of residential to com/ind. tax mix. It was noted that the Strategic Plan is a frame work for 5-10 years and if future activities of the EDA do not fit the strategic plan goals, the EDA shouldn't support the project. Slavik left the meeting at 8:00am. It was noted that many of the goals cost money and that money is needed for various activities identified in the strategic plan. Discussion also lead to asking for an update of the impacts of the industrial park regarding jobs and tax base. Nate Frence from CVF Racing asked to address the EDA. He noted that it's important for the EDA to have land available as timelines are the most important consideration for businesses.

- a. Strategic Plan

6. CDA UPDATE

None.

7. SCHOOL DISTRICT UPDATE

Tony Buthe stated that he didn't have an update other than he noted the referendum passed and enjoyed listening to the discussion regarding the EDA strategic plan.

8. EXECUTIVE DIRECTORS REPORT

Tetzlaff stated that staff continues to have behind the scenes residential and commercial discussions and that staff is looking to start feasibility of an east sanitary sewer trunk main.

9. MISCELLANEOUS

Chair Quast introduced Nate French from CVF Racing to talk about his possible project. Mr. French indicated he currently has 50,000 sq. ft. in the industrial park and they need more room and are considering construction of a 120,000 sq. ft. building north of the existing industrial park lots and that the development there would require public infrastructure to be installed. City Staff noted the possibility of the DEED Greater Minnesota Infrastructure grant that could be applied for to fund 50% of the public road and utility needs for such a project.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:28 a.m. was made by Reville, seconded by Quast.
Motion carried (5-0)

Respectfully Submitted,

Joshua M. Tetzlaff
City Administrator / EDA Executive Director