

**Wednesday, April 24, 2024, 6:00 pm**  
In-PERSON/VIRTUAL MEETING  
Room 0041, City Hall

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**RDA STRATEGIC PRIORITIES**

- 1) ~~400 W. Main St. block demolition, Town Square design etc., and publicizing town square project for possible funding from sources other than the City.~~
- 2) Facilitating quality development in downtown, and
- 3) Creating an approach and working to attract development projects downtown.

1. Pledge of Allegiance
2. Roll Call
  - A. Present in-person: Becker, Zimmerman, Board, Wagner, & Nowatka. Guests: Kristine Butteris, Stephanie Juhl, Jeff Stone & Ryan Birschbach (Kapur), and Eric Mayne & Steve Morales (RINKA).
  - B. Present-virtual: Hurtgen and guests: Zach Goodrow (Watertown Daily Times)
  - C. Absent: Lampe and Maas
3. Determination of Quorum and Call to Order at 6:07 pm by Chair Ryan Wagner
4. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes 3.13.24, 3.27.24, and 4.3.24
  - A. **Motioned by Nowatka, seconded by Zimmerman. Motioned carried unanimously to approve all three.**
5. Public Comment: none
6. New Business:
  - A. Eric Mayne from RINKA led a presentation about planning for the Downtown River Corridor Planning Study. The idea of a steering committee was discussed, and some names mentioned as participants.
  - B. Approve Beltz Grants as recommended for the Main Street program. **Motioned by Nowatka, seconded by Wagner, Board abstained. Motion carried.** Approve grants for the Bentzin Family Town Square and Amber Yelk. **Motioned by Wagner, seconded by Board, motion carried unanimously.**
7. Status Reports:
  - A. Community Support/Communication
    1. Noted that the RDA Impact Report was included in the packets and is now posted online.
  - B. Executive Director update
    1. Items for next agenda- Tom Coogan, Wisconsin DNR will be the guest speaker on May 15, 2024.
    2. Confirm next meeting time: May 15, 2024, at 6pm.
8. Adjournment at 7:15 pm

**Wagner motioned to adjourn**  
**Zimmermann seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.**  
**Meeting adjourned.**