

THE CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF DOUGLAS DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2024 AT 2:00 PM 86 W CENTER ST., DOUGLAS MI

AGENDA

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. ROLL CALL/QUORUM
- 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approval of Agenda - Changes/Additions/Deletions

Motion to approve the Agenda of November 20, 2024. – roll call vote

- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - A. Approval of Minutes Changes/Additions/Deletions

Motion to approve the Minutes of October 23, 2024. – roll call vote

- 5. OFFICER REPORTS
 - **A.** Secretary
 - **B.** Treasurer
 - C. Vice Chair
 - **D.** Chair
- 6. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION WRITTEN
- 7. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION VERBAL (LIMIT OF 3 MINUTES)
- 8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - A. DDA Shop & Dine Passport Program Update (Discussion)

B. Community Events Budget/Future Planning (Discussion)

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Shop & Dine Passport Budget Amendment

Motion to approve an amendment to the budget under Community Promotions in the amount of \$820.00 for the purchase of 750 additional passports for the DDA Shop and Dine Passport Program - Roll Call Vote

- **B.** MEDC RAP 2.0 Grant Program (Discussion)
- C. Preparations for FY2025-2026 Budget (Discussion)
- 10. COMMITTEE REPORTS
- 11. STAFF/MANAGER REPORTS
- 12. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION VERBAL (LIMIT OF 3 MINUTES)
- 13. BOARD COMMENTS
- 14. CHAIR COMMENTS
- 15. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting.

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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2024 AT 2:00 PM 86 W CENTER ST., DOUGLAS MI

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER – Chair called to order at 2:00pm.

2. ROLL CALL/QUORUM

Present – Balmer, Bandstra, Laakso, Walker, Vonk
Not Present – North, Martyniek, Postilion, Stefanchik
Also Present – City Manager Lisa Nocerini

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Vonk, seconded by Laakso, to approve the Agenda of October 23, 2024. – Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Walker, seconded by Laakso, to approve the Minutes of September 25, 2024. – Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

5. OFFICER REPORTS

- A. Secretary None
- B. Treasurer Laakso stated that the report was included in the meeting packet
- C. Vice Chair None
- D. Chair None

6. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION - WRITTEN

- A. Liz Engel, Community Pride Letter
- 7. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION VERBAL (LIMIT OF 3 MINUTES) None

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Shop & Dine Passport Program Update – City Manager Lisa Nocerini provided an update on the passport program. DDA members expressed their gratitude for her efforts and enthusiasm in organizing everything. Nocerini and the DDA members discussed advertising promotions and the next steps as the event approaches.

9. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Community Events Grant Application Oktoberfest, Community Pride
- B. Community Events Grant Application Ox-Bow House
- C. Community Events Grant Application Art In Douglas / Gallery Stroll

Motion by Walker, Seconded by Bandstra to approve the Community Events Grant Application for Oktoberfest for Community Pride in the amount of \$2,800 and in addition to approving the Community Events Grant Application for Ox-bow House's Cavern Tavern event in the amount of \$750 and also to approve the Community Events Grant Application for Art In Douglas for the Art In Douglas Gallery Stroll event held on October 12 & 13, 2024, in the amount of \$400. – Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS - None

- 11. STAFF/MANAGER REPORTS City Manager Lisa Nocerini updated the DDA members on the 415 Wiley property. Walker inquired whether Nocerini would be taking over as the DDA liaison in place of Sean. Nocerini clarified that she is assisting because he is currently busy with many projects in the department.
- 12. PUBLIC COMMUNICATION VERBAL (LIMIT OF 3 MINUTES) None
- 13. BOARD COMMENTS Walker thanked the DDA for approving the fall decorations. She suggested using a Doodle poll in the future to discuss availability for the November and December meetings. Nocerini proposed moving the meeting and indicated she could communicate with the other DDA members. They concluded that the new meeting dates would be either November 20th or December 18th at 2:00 PM.
- 14. CHAIR COMMENTS None

15. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Vonk, seconded by Bandstra to adjourn the meeting.

DDA TREASURER'S REPORT for November 20, 2024 Meeting

Total revenue of \$13,127.21 was recorded during October 2024, all of which was related to TIF recapture. Expenses of \$2,978.03 were recorded during the month relating to the DDA Passport Program (\$825.00), fall decorations (\$708.00), signs (\$545.03), and reimbursement of Art in Douglas expenses for July-September (\$900.00).

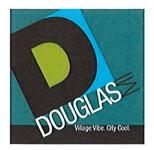
At October 31, 2024, the DDA had cash on hand of \$115.610.40. There were no liabilities recorded at month end, leaving an ending fund balance of \$115,610.40.

November 15, 2024

DDA BUDGET - 2024-2025 FISCAL YEAR beginning July 1, 2024

	2024-2025 Approved							
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TAX INCREMENT RECAPTURE	\$ 62,80		\$ 13,127.21		51,401.03	\$		TIF Recapture
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TOTAL Revenues	\$ 62,80	7.00 \$	\$ 13,127.21	\$	53,328.99	\$	9,478.01	
EXPENSES								
DDA ADMINISTRATION	\$ 9,00	00.00	\$ -	\$	-	\$	9,000.00	
TRAINING FUNDS		00.00	-		-		1,000.00	
BUSINESS INCENTIVE PROGRAM	5,00	00.00	-		284.16		4,715.84	Return of Sales Tax and Floor Wrap
CONTRACTUAL ENGINEERING		-					-	
COMMUNITY PROMOTIONS	27,0	00.00	2,978.03		2,978.03		24,021.97	Fall Decorations, DDA Passports, Art In Douglas Music, Signs
DUES/FEES/PUBLICATIONS		-	-		-		-	
CAPITAL OUTLAY (Detail Below)	15.50	50.00	-		198.90		15,361.10	Christmascape
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11/15/2024



From: Lisa Nocerini, City Manager & Sean Homyen, Planning & Zoning Administrator/DDA

Date: November 20, 2024

Subject: DDA Shop & Dine Passport Program Update (Discussion)

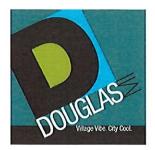
The first year of the Shop & Dine Passport program is off to a fantastic start! We've received positive feedback from several businesses, noting increased foot traffic and a few purchases linked to the program.

We initially printed 250 passports, which were all claimed by the first weekend. To keep up with demand, we ordered an additional 250, followed by another 500, ensuring we have plenty to carry the program through its end on November 30th.

After the program concludes, we will review each returned passport to track which businesses participants visited. This data will be compiled and shared with the DDA at the December meeting to provide insights on traffic patterns across the participating locations.

Special thanks to Jenny Pearson for designing the Douglas Downtown Dollars—they look fantastic! We're preparing instructions to include in the envelopes for prize winners, outlining how the Downtown Dollars can be used. These dollars will be valid through June 30, 2025, allowing us to close the program as we prepare for the new fiscal year beginning July 1, 2025.

Thank you to everyone for helping make this program a success!



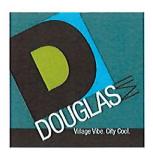
From: Lisa Nocerini, City Manager & Sean Homyen, Planning & Zoning Administrator/DDA

Date: November 20, 2024

Subject: Discussion about the Community Events Line Item

At this meeting, we'll review the current status of the Community Promotions budget to provide a clear picture of where the DDA stands financially in this category. This discussion is intended to ensure that you are maximizing the impact of your allocated funds.

In addition, we encourage the DDA to explore potential opportunities for utilizing any remaining funds in ways that align with your goals for community engagement and downtown vitality. Your input on possible initiatives or promotional ideas will be invaluable as we continue to collectively assess the best use of these resources. Your ideas and feedback will help guide the approach for the remainder of the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025.



From: Lisa Nocerini, City Manager & Sean Homyen, Planning & Zoning Administrator/DDA

Date: November 20, 2024

Subject: DDA Shop & Dine Passport Budget Amendment

At the program's launch, the DDA approved an initial budget of \$525.00 for the design and printing of 250 Shop & Dine Passports. The first set was quickly distributed during the opening weekend of November, and due to high demand, we ordered an additional 250 passports at a cost of \$300.00. Just one week later, businesses reported that passports were again running low, so we ordered a final 500 passports, which cost \$520.00.

As these additional orders were time-sensitive, we could not wait for the DDA's formal approval before proceeding with the purchases. Therefore, we request a budget amendment of \$820.00 to the original October allocation, bringing the total Passport Program expenditure to \$1,345.00.

We respectfully request the DDA's approval to amend the Community Promotions budget by \$820.00 to accommodate the additional passports that were purchased for the shop and dine program.

Thank you for considering this request, and for your support in making this program a success.



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Douglas Downtown Development Authority

Downtown Douglas Shopping Passports

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Total = \$300.00

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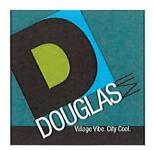
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November 6, 2024

Thank you for your business!



From: Lisa Nocerini, City Manager & Sean Homyen, Planning & Zoning Administrator/DDA

Date: November 20, 2024

Subject: MEDC RAP 2.0 Grant Program (Discussion)

The city is hoping to apply for a grant through the MEDC RAP 2.0 program, with the application deadline set for January 30, 2025. Right now, we are waiting for some input from the MEDC about the program guidelines. Some of them are not as clear as we had hoped, including the percent we have to match and the minimum amount we can request. We have to ensure whatever amount we request; we have the appropriate match dollars as well. However, given the tight timeline, we would like to present several key project ideas for your consideration and input. It appears that the maximum that can be requested is \$1,000,000, but again, if there is a 50% match, that would be difficult.

The proposed enhancements include:

- New Banners: Refreshing the downtown banners to enhance the area's aesthetic appeal and create a welcoming atmosphere for residents and visitors alike. We are also looking at the possibility of digital banners.
- New Light Poles: Replacing or updating current light poles to improve lighting and safety while also contributing to the downtown's overall charm and functionality.
- New Irrigation System for Downtown Bumpouts: Installing an irrigation system to better maintain the greenery in the bumpouts, providing consistent watering and supporting a vibrant, well-kept landscape. We think the volunteers maintaining them will be pleased to see this improvement.
- A digital kiosk sign in the downtown

This grant presents an excellent opportunity to address existing issues and make valuable upgrades in the downtown area. We believe these projects will contribute significantly to the overall experience of our community.



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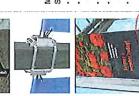


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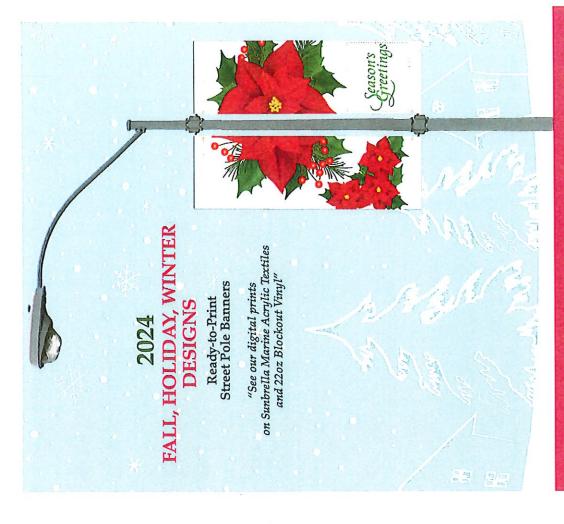
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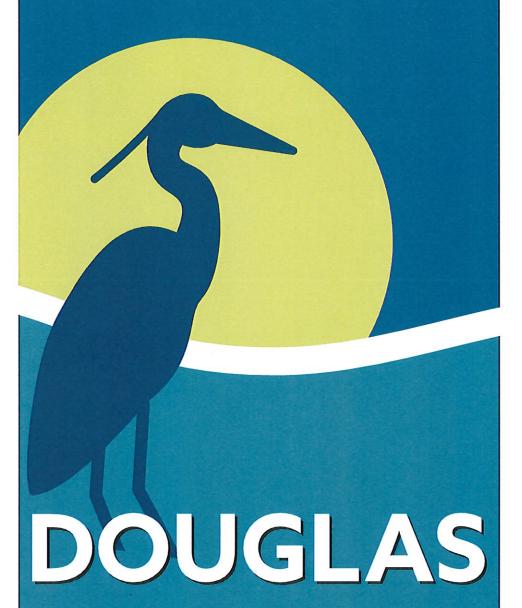


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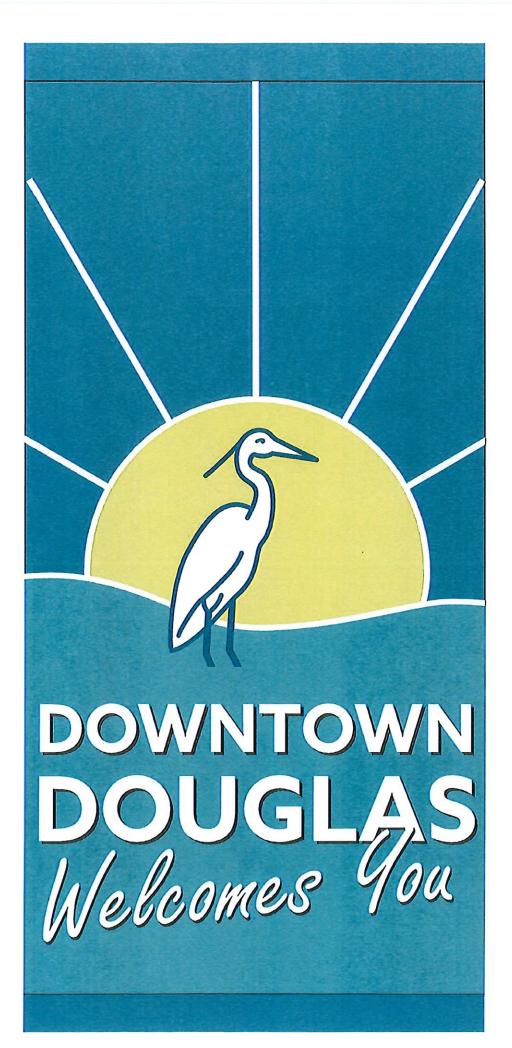


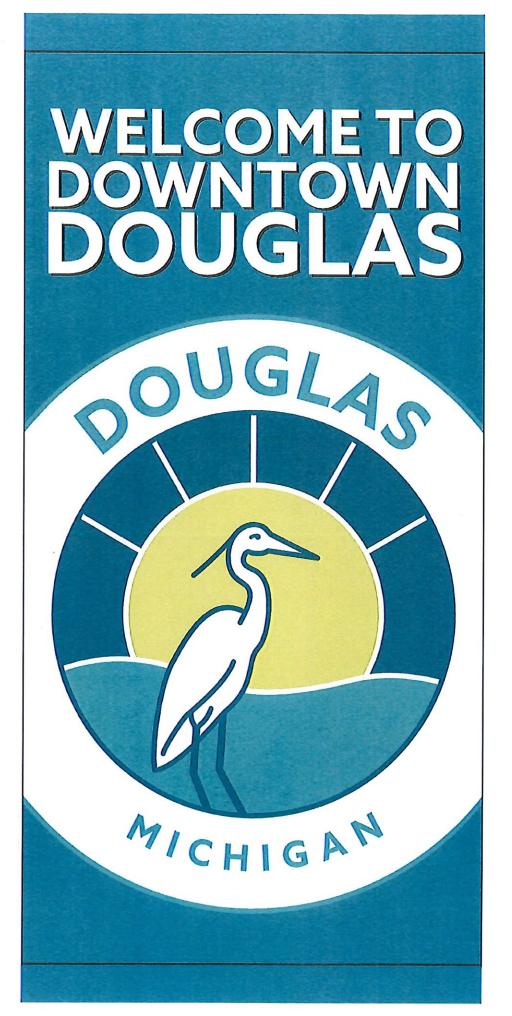
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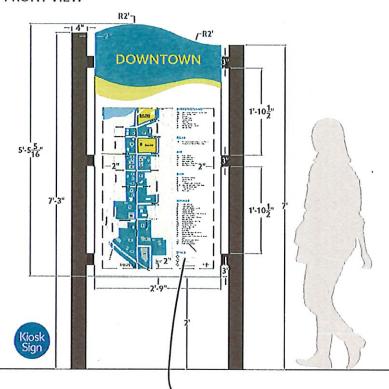


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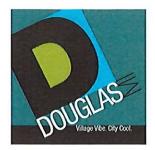
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From: Lisa Nocerini, City Manager & Sean Homyen, Planning & Zoning Administrator/DDA

Date: November 20, 2024

Subject: Preparations for FY2025-2026 Budget Discussion

As we approach the end of this fiscal year, it's important to begin focusing on our upcoming FY2025-2026 budget discussions. To ensure we're well-prepared, I encourage the board to start prioritizing potential projects and initiatives now, so we can have a productive, proactive budgeting process that aligns with our goals and community vision.

The early stages of budget planning allow us to consider new opportunities, identify challenges, and explore potential funding sources or partnerships. By establishing a clear set of priorities in advance, we'll be better positioned to make strategic choices for the year ahead, allocate resources effectively, and pursue projects that will make a meaningful impact in our downtown.

By starting our prioritization process now, we'll enter FY2025-2026 budget discussions with a clear sense of purpose and direction. Your input and insights will be critical to creating a budget that not only addresses current needs but also lays the foundation for future success.

Attached is a fairly simple prioritization form (a consideration) to help the DDA focus on planning for the FY2025-2026 budget. This form encourages you to identify project/initiatives, or existing line items in the budget, and rank potential projects by priority. Filling out this form can really help to clarify priorities and facilitate discussions.



noverse FY 2025-2026 Budget Priority/Initiative Sheet

Recommended Budgeted Item:

Recommended Budget for Existing Line Item (ex: Community Promotions):

Brief Description:

Timeline (if applicable)			
Alignment with DDA Goals Timeline (if applicable) 1 to 5 (1 low/5 high)			
Estimated Cost			
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This section is to be used during a full-board review of the project. It should remain blank until that time:

Approved/Not Approved:

Amount Approved for the FY 2025-2026 DDA Budget: