



GRAND RAPIDS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, August 24, 2023
4:00 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, August 24, 2023 at 4:00 PM.

CALL TO ORDER

CALL OF ROLL

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 with addition:

Consider the possible sale of lots in Forest Lake Addition to Habitat for Humanity.

APPROVE MINUTES

1. Consider approval of the August 10th, 2023 regular meeting minutes.

Motion by Commissioner Hodnik, second by Commissioner Bruns to approve the minutes from the August 10, 2023 regular meeting. The following voted in favor thereof: Sutherland, Martinetto, Blake, Bruns, Hodnik. Opposed: None, passed unanimously.

APPROVE CLAIMS

2. Consider approval of claims in the amount of \$1,199.72.

Motion by Commissioner Hodnik, second by Commissioner Bruns to approve claims in the amount of \$1,199.72. The following voted in favor thereof: Sutherland, Martinetto, Blake, Bruns, Hodnik. Opposed: None, motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING

3. Conduct a public hearing concerning submittal of an application to the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) Minnesota Investment Fund (MIF) program for the L&M Supply Distribution Center Project

President Blake stated the public hearing this evening is to consider the submittal of and application to the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) Minnesota Investment Fund (MIF) program for the L&M Distribution Center Project. Recorder Groom noted all notices required by law had been met and no correspondence had been received.

Community Development Director Mattei provided a power point presentation with information on the project

Motion by Commissioner Hodnik, second by Commissioner Bruns to open the public hearing. The following voted in favor thereof: Hodnik, Bruns, Blake, Martinetto, Sutherland. Opposed: None, motion passed unanimously.

There was no public comment.

Motion by Commissioner Bruns, second by Commissioner Sutherland to close the public hearing. The following voted in favor thereof: Sutherland, Martinetto, Blake, Bruns, Hodnik. Opposed: None, motion passed unanimously.

BUSINESS

4. Consider adoption of a resolution authorizing a Minnesota Investment Fund (MIF) Application for the L&M Supply distribution center project.

Motion by Commissioner Bruns, second by Commissioner Sutherland to adopt a resolution authorizing a Minnesota Investment Fund (MIF) Application for the L&M Supply Distribution Center Project. The following voted in favor thereof: Hodnik, Bruns, Blake, Martinetto, Sutherland. Opposed: None, motion passed unanimously.

UPDATES

Consider the approval of a Letter of Intent from Habitat for Humanity - Habitat would like to purchase 2 lots in the Forest Lake Development for \$6,300 per lot. They are looking to work with Logam Homes to construct the shell of one 2 bedroom home and one bedroom home.

Motion by Commissioner Bruns, second by Commissioner Hodnik to approve a Letter of Intent from Habitat for Humanity. The following voted in favor thereof: Sutherland, Martinetto, Blake, Bruns, Hodnik. Opposed: None, motion passed unanimously.

President Blake welcomed new Commissioner Bill Martinetto.

Commissioner Hodnik presented a resolution acknowledging the passing of Mark Phillips and thanking him for his leadership, economic development programming and support provided to GREDA and the City of Grand Rapids.

Motion by Commissioner Hodnik, second by Commissioner Bruns to adopt a resolution acknowledging the passing of former IRRRB and DEED Commissioner Mark Phillips. The following voted in favor thereof: Sutherland, Martinetto, Blake, Bruns, Hodnik. Opposed: None, motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURN

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 4:28 p.m.

MEMBERS & TERMS

Tom Sutherland - 12/31/2023 Council Representative

Tasha Connelly - 12/31/2023 Council Representative

Mike Korte - 3/1/24

Wayne Bruns - 3/1/25

Sholom Blake - 3/1/25

Al Hodnik - 3/1/27