



MINUTES
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING
MAPLE PLAIN CITY HALL
September 08, 2025
7:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Julie Maas-Kusske Called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

PRESENT

Chair Julie Maas-Kusske, Commissioner Connie Francis, Commissioner Andrew Burak, Commissioner Rochelle Arvizo, Commissioner Jack Henrich, and Commissioner Adam Warden

ABSENT

Commissioner Mike DeLuca

STAFF PRESENT: City Administrator Jacob Kolander and Assistant City Administrator Kevin Larson

2. ADOPT AGENDA

Commissioner Francis made a motion to approve the meeting agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Henrich.

Voting Yea: Chair Maas-Kusske, Commissioner Francis, Commissioner Burak, Commissioner Arvizo, Commissioner Henrich, and Commissioner Adam Warden

Motion Passed 6-0

3. MINUTES

A. Minutes from 07-14-2025

Motion to approve 07-14-25 Economic Development Authority Meeting Minutes made by Commissioner Arvizo, seconded by Commissioner Burak.

Voting Yea: Chair Maas-Kusske, Commissioner Francis, Commissioner Burak, Commissioner Arvizo, Commissioner Henrich, and Commissioner Adam Warden

Motion Passed 6-0

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4. OLD BUSINESS

A. Barker Trail Villas - Update

City Administrator Kolander summarized the current state of the Baker Trail Villa development. Citing the developer is now in compliance with the developer's agreement, and commented that the city has received two building permits for new houses.

B. Downtown Development - Update

City Administrator Kolander provided an update on the progress of the downtown development. The developer has concluded phase 1 and has begun phase 2. The commissioners had no questions on the progress of the development.

5. NEW BUSINESS

A. Highway 12 Coalition Discussion

City Administrator Kolander summarized the identified need for a lobbyist to represent Maple Plain, noting that while the League of Minnesota Cities provides general lobbying services for all member cities, it does not advocate specifically on behalf of Maple Plain. The Authority reviewed an estimated annual cost of approximately \$40,000 for lobbyist services through LGN and discussed the primary purpose of these services. LGN would work on securing state and federal funding for critical infrastructure projects, particularly the construction and improvement of roundabouts. Members also noted that traffic fatalities have decreased since the installation of roundabouts, emphasizing their value to public safety, and expressed interest in pursuing outside funding opportunities to lessen the City's financial responsibility for future projects.

Commissioner Burak made a motion to approve the use of EDA funds for hiring a lobbyist. Seconded by Councilmember Henrich.

Voting Yea: Chair Maas-Kusske, Commissioner Francis, Commissioner Burak, Commissioner Arvizo, Commissioner Henrich, and Commissioner Adam Warden

Motion Passed 6-0

6. OTHER BUSINESS

7. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Francis made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Councilmember Warden.

Voting Yea: Chair Maas-Kusske, Commissioner Francis, Commissioner Burak, Commissioner Arvizo, Commissioner Henrich, and Commissioner Adam Warden

Motion Passed 6-0

The commission adjourned at 7:20

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I, the undersigned, Jacob Kolander, City Administrator in and for the City of Maple Plain, Minnesota, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes.

Respectfully submitted by:

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