

The Waupun Community Development Authority will meet In-person, virtual, and teleconference. Instructions to join the meeting are provided below: Virtual: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84949639125?pwd=YWt0R015Z09wN3E5Q1o0WDFpclhrZz09 Meeting ID: 849 4963 9125 Passcode: 757382 Phone: 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

#### CALL TO ORDER

#### **ROLL CALL**

#### **CONSIDERATION - ACTION**

- 1. Approve Minutes from August 15, 2023 CDA Meeting
- 2. Approve August 2023 CDA Financials
- 3. Review Outstanding Applications
- 4. Consider Application for 4 Fond du Lac St (Karsten Real Estate)
- 5. TABLE Application for 321 E Main St (Firefly Gifts)
- 6. Consider Application for 16 S Madison Street (Gappa Properties)

#### **DISCUSSION**

- 7. Discuss Future Funding Sources and Goals of the CDA
- 8. City Administrator Update

#### **ADVANCED PLANNING**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

*Upon reasonable notice, efforts will be made to accommodate disabled individuals through appropriate aids and services. For additional information, contact the City Clerk at 920-324-7915.* 



Mayor Bishop called the meeting to order at 7:45 a.m.

Roll Call taken. Present are Mayor Bishop, Gary DeJager, Sue Vandeberg, Derek Drews, Jill Vanderkin and Cassandra VerHage. Also present Administrator Schlieve, Assistant Administrator Langenfeld and BJ Yohn.

Approve Vandeberg, second DeJager to approve minutes from July 18, 2023 CDA meeting. Carried unanimously.

Motion DeJager, second Drews to approve July 2023 CDA Financials. Carried unanimously.

Review of application for 42 Fond du Lac St for Maedox Tax & Accounting. Schlieve notes that the request is for interior remodel and that is outside the scope of the current program guidelines. However, the guidelines as written do allow the CDA discretion in decisions such as this. Schlieve notes that the business currently serves about 1,800 clients in the area and that it is important to keep an accounting firm in the community. After deliberation, motion DeJager, second Vandeberg to approve a 50% matching grant, capped at \$5,000. Carried unanimously.

BJ Yohn is present to explain the projects for 14, 16 and 20 W Main Street. The front awning will be removed and each of the three businesses (Edward Jones, State Farm, and B&B Plumbing) will add a canvas awning with their branding to improve the professional appearance of the building. Motion Vandeberg, second Vanderkin to approve 20 W Main (B&B Plumbing) and 16 W Main (State Farm) applications as a matching grant capped at \$5,000; and, 14 W Main (Edward Jones) as a matching grant capped at 2,360. Total investments \$12,360 for the three projects. Carried unanimously.

Motion DeJager, second VerHage to adjourn meeting. Carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:58 a.m.



### **CDA Financial Statement**

For the Month Ending:

8/31/2023

BUDGET		
REVENUE	\$ 159,598	

EXPENSE	В	udget Amt	Y	TD Actual	Balance
WAGES	\$	15,116	\$	(11,551)	\$ 3,565
PROFESSIONAL SERVICES/AUDIT FEES	\$	1,000	\$	(2,774)	\$ (1,774)
DEBT PAYMENTS	\$	32,967	\$	(32,895)	\$ 72
PAYOUT FOR 2023 PROJECTS	\$	28,025	\$	(29,446)	\$ (1,421)
IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS	\$	40,000	\$	-	\$ 40,000
TARGETED INVESTMENT/STREETSCAPING	\$	53,971	\$	(3 <i>,</i> 650)	\$ 50,321
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$	171,079	\$	(80,316)	\$ 90,763

#### AVAILABLE PROJECT FUNDS

IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS	\$ 4,449
TARGETED INVESTMENTS/STREETCAPING	\$ 14,671
CARRYOVER FUNDS PRIOR YEAR(S)	\$ 49,374
REIMBURSEMENT	\$ 28,403
	\$ 96,897

ANNUAL ACTIVITY	AMOUNT	
3/23 WEDC GRANT PAYMENT	\$	134,200
3/23 GRANT REIMBURSEMENT STONE & SUEDE	\$	(105,797)
	\$	28,403

GRANTS APPROVED - NOT DISPURSED	\$ 40,000
WEAVING IT UP TO YOU!- cancelled	\$ -
WIND & UNWIND (est. award \$2,565)	\$ 5,000
BROKEN THREADS	\$ 5,000
K'S BOUTIQUE	\$ 551
JUDSON'S	\$ 5,000
MAEDOX TAX & ACCOUNTING	\$ 5,000
STATE FARM	\$ 5,000
EDWARD JONES	\$ 5,000
B&B PLUMBING	\$ 5,000
AVAILABLE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT FUNDS	\$ 4,449

<b>GRANTS - TARGETED INVESTMENTS</b>	\$ 53,971
GYSBER'S JEWELRY	\$ 39,300
AVAILABLE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT FUNDS	\$ 14,671

GRANTS - CARRYOVER FUNDS	\$ 79,374
WEE CARE DAYCARE	\$ 30,000
AVAILABLE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT FUNDS	\$ 49,374



## AGENDA SUMMARY SHEET

MEETING DATE: September 19, 2023

TITLE: Review Outstanding Applications

AGENDA SECTION: Consideration/Action

PRESENTER: Kathy Schlieve, Administrator

<b>DEPARMTENT GOAL(S) SUPPORTED</b> (if applicable)	FISCAL IMPACT	
Economic Vitality	N/A	

#### **ISSUE SUMMARY**

The following grant applications are outstanding for review. Where outlined extensions are being requested to complete the work.

GRANTS APPROVED - NOT DISPURSED	\$ 40,000
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AVAILABLE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT FUNDS	\$ 4,449

The following extensions are being requested:

- 1. Wind & Unwined until October 31, 2023
- 2. Broken Threads until November 15, 2023
- 3. K's Boutique until October 31, 2023
- 4. Judson's until November 30, 2023

#### STAFF RECCOMENDATION:

#### ATTACHMENTS:

#### **RECCOMENDED MOTION:**

Motion to extend grant application for as presented.

#### Waupun Community Development Authority Downtown Revitalization Grant Application

Applicant Name: John Karsten
Applicant Address: A Fond du Loc St, Waupun
920-324-2800 Phone: 920-219-0148 Fax: Email: john@Karstenvealestate
Name of Business/Property: Karsten REAL ESTATE
Property Address: 4 FOND DULAC ST WANPUN
Property Use: BUSINESS OFFICE (DOWNSTALES) RESIDENTIAL (4PSLARS)

#### For Tenants:

The CDA requires you to work with your landlord to obtain project approval indicated by signature below. If you are the owner of the building, you can leave this section blank.

Email:
Date
Owner Initials
ary) WEST SIDE OF BUILDING , SANDBLAST, APPLY E POXY, MORTAR, TROUGL COLOR)
timated Completion Date: <u>MID-OCTODE</u> A
Date:

Revised 4/17/2018

Required	Attachments:	
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Cost Estimates	Project plan(s) drawn to ¼-inch scale, if applicable
Current photo(s) of property	Paint color(s) or material sample(s), if applicable
Project Budget:	
<b>Projects located in the Business Improven</b> only)	nent District: (CDA will consider non-BID covered expenses
Did you apply for BID's Façade Improvement	Grant? 📝 Yes 🗌 No
If yes, BID Meeting Date: BII	O Grant Awarded: \$
Total Estimated Cost of Application: \$	600-
5 4.0	

Total CDA Grant Request: 💲 💆	, 800 -	(50% of non-BID covered expenses)
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#### **Release of Information:**

I hereby authorize the Waupun Community Development Authority (CDA) permission to share all application materials with CDA members who will be reviewing my application. I acknowledge that information provided to the CDA may be released upon request in compliance with the open record requirements and in accordance with the freedom of information act. I acknowledge that I am to attend the CDA meeting in which this request will be reviewed and that the City of Waupun will notify me of that meeting.

Applicant Name (print): John F. Kansten	
Applicant Signature: F. Kaul	-

Date: 9/15/2023

Submit application and attachments to:
 Waupun Community Development Authority – City of Waupun 201 E. Main Street, Waupun WI 53963
 <u>Kathy@cityofwaupun.org</u>

#### **City Staff Use Only:**

Date application received: \_\_\_\_\_

Application reviewed for completeness by \_\_\_\_\_ (initials). Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Property reviewed for delinquency by \_\_\_\_\_ (initials). Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant notified of scheduled CDA meeting by \_\_\_\_\_ (initials). Date: \_\_\_\_\_



HANDYMAN MEWS AND RENOVATIONS 266 Doty St.		608-692-8
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	PROPOSAL NO. 007210 BID NO.	DATE Aug 15 2023
	920-219-0148	ARCHITECT
John Karsten	PHONE NO.	DATE OF PLANS
4 Fond Du Lac Street	WORK TO BE PERFORMED AT:	ime
Waupun Wi.53963		
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rea below for additional description and/or drawings:		
) Setup scaffolding & removal all lose aggregate ) Sand blast and apply adhesion promoter	1450.00	2050.00 700.00
) Apply epoxy motar trowel finish	2050.00	2000.00
) Paint complete wall white ) Install Gitter and down spout	840.00 60.00	380.00 70.00
SUB TOTALS Materia	ls \$4,400.00	Labor \$5,200.00
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	Waupun Community Development Authority Downtown Revitalization Grant Application
Applica	nt Name: Gappa Properties - Forsell + Tracy Gappa
Applica	int Address: 1203 Storbeck Drive Waupun
Phone:	920-345-2751 Fax: NA Email: gappaproperties egmail.com
Name	of Business/Property: ad Lodge.
Propei	ty Address: 16 S. Madison Street
Propei	ty Use: <u>Comanercial</u> store front, rental

#### For Tenants:

The CDA requires you to work with your landlord to obtain project approval indicated by signature below. If you are the owner of the building, you can leave this section blank.

Property Owner Nar	ne:	
Phone:	E1	mail:
Property Owner Add	lress	
Property Owner Sig	nature:	Date
Expiration Date of C	urrent Lease Agreement:	Owner Initials
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Estimated Start Da	nte: 10-1-23 Estin	nated Completion Date: $10 - 9 - 23$
City Building Inspe	ector Approval:	Date:

#### **Required Attachments:**

Cost Estimates	
Current photo(s) of property	

Project plan(s) drawn to ¼-inch scale, if applicable
 Paint color(s) or material sample(s), if applicable

#### Project Budget:

**Projects located in the Business Improvement District:** (CDA will consider non-BID covered expenses only)

Did you apply for BID's Façade Improvement Grant?	X Yes No	
If yes, BID Meeting Date: $\frac{9/19/33}{5}$ BID Grant A Total Estimated Cost of Application: $\frac{6}{5}$	warded:\$ .00 + 6,358.45 =	13,338,45
	(50% of non-BID covered expenses)	

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Applicar	nt Name (print):	Forsell Gappy		
Applicar	nt Signature:	Jorsell Sym	Date	e: <u>9-15-23</u>
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#### **Daizy Sweeps Inc**

W11007 State Road 16 and 60 Columbus, WI 53925 US 920-386-9563 daizysweeps@daizysweeps.com http://www.daizysweeps.com



#### ADDRESS

Calvin Gappa 16 South Madison Street Waupun, WI 53963 SHIP TO Calvin Gappa 16 South Madison Street Waupun, WI 53963

#### ESTIMATE # 1844 DATE 09/14/2023

DESCRIPTION	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT	
All phases will include two people on site If additional time are needed there will be additional charges on all lines. Grinding out and tuck pointing is proposed to take 8 bags of mortar and color die for side of building. If additional material or time are needed they will be on final bill. With being a old building we don't know ho long each phases will take. So this is just a estimate and additional charges will apply if time goes over.				
Lift Rental weekly. If work goes over a 2 weeks there will additional charges	2	1,850.00	3,700.00	
Tear down Chimney to just above flashing. Due to chimney being doubled brick the tear down may take additional time. Time is by total hours.	30	135.00	4,050.00	
Stainless Steel Chase Cover (Custom made)	1	985.00	985.00	
Power wash chimney from flashing to lower part of roof. This is to remove all stains and grime off of chimney	1	485.00	485.00	
Cut out bad brick and replace with new. Closest match to existing. IF additional brick are needed there will be additional charges. Since chimney is doubled bricked we don't know condition of chimney on inner portion.	50	48.00	2,400.00	
Chimney Grind Out and Tuck Point Chimney. Being a	24	225.00	5,400.00	

DUE TO INDUSTRY AND PRODUCT AVAILABILITY. PRICES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AT ANYTIME. IF THERE IS AN INCREASE IN PRICE, IT WILL BE ON PRODUCT ONLY.

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j	old chimney and double bricked, mortar oints will take a lot of material. Time is by total hours.				
	Lower Portion of Building Grind Out and Tuck Point. All red die will be removed from mortar joints and match the best we can and tuck pointed with closest match of color. Time is by total hours.	28	225.00	6,300	0.00
*	Mortar and Color. If more than 8 bags are used there will be additional charges	8	85.00	68	0.00
	Seal around Flashing	1	65.00	6	5.00
ד	hank you for the inquiry with Daizy Sweeps.		SUBTOTAL		5.00
			TAX		0.00
			TOTAL	\$24,065.	.00

Accepted By

Accepted Date

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Payment Terms: 50% Down, Bal on Completion

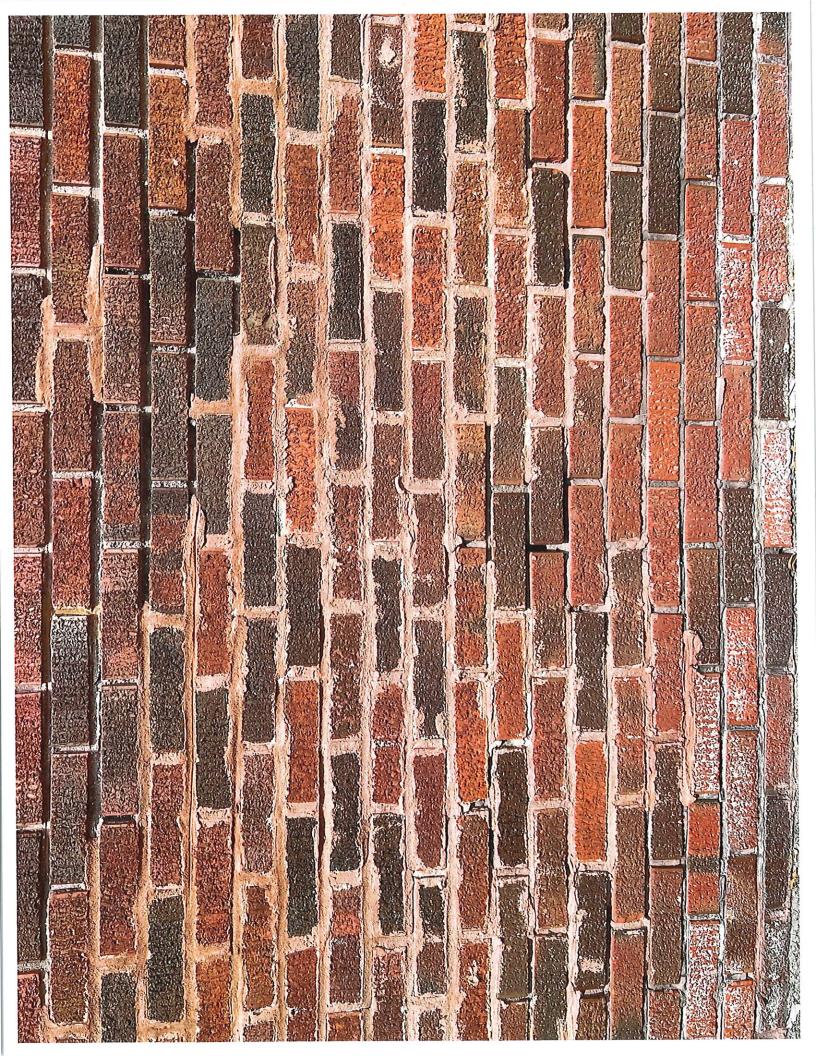
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•	e <b>sted By:</b> Forsell Gappa Email: fgappa@gappasecuritysolutions.com Il Phone: (920) 210-2694	<b>Salesperson:</b> A Email: A Cell Phone: 9	ndy@Signarama-FD		
52.565.5545.6455.4	Product Summary Rear Building Sign • Qty: 1 • Size: 60" x 120" • Material: 3MM ACM Install Included	<b>QTY</b> 1	UNIT PRICE \$1,273.50	<b>TAXABLE</b> \$1,273.50	<b>AMOUNT</b> \$1,273.50
2	Window Graphics <ul> <li>Qty: 1</li> <li>Size: 24" x 120"</li> <li>Material: Window Graphics</li> </ul> Install Included	1	\$438.47	\$438.47	\$438.47
3	Exterior Projecting Front Sign <ul> <li>This is solely a rough estimate. Until we k</li> <li>quote. I am waiting on the layout for this</li> </ul> Install Included			\$4,315.00 firm price	\$4,315.00
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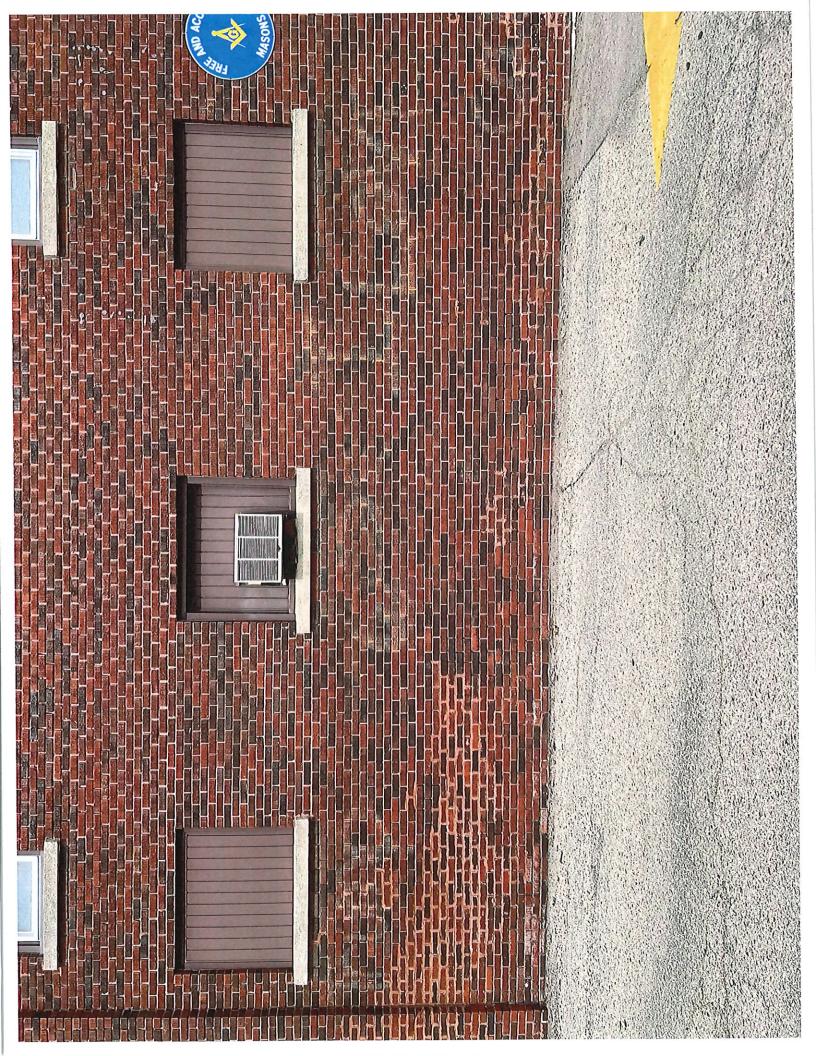
Get this for as little as \$241.62 per month. Ask us for details.

Regarding Installation and onsite services, this quote is for estimation purposes and is not a guarantee of cost for sign services for installation. The Estimate is based on current information from client about the project for time required to complete the installation. Actual cost may change once project elements are finalized. Client agrees that sign service & repair will add on the cost of ballast, LED lights, lamps, sockets, wiring and other components to restore sign illumination as needed only. Client must request and approve complete replacement of lamps. Client may choose to pay for a site survey wherein we will inspect the sign illumination and will provide an itemized list of replacement components the sign needs.

Signature: Date:
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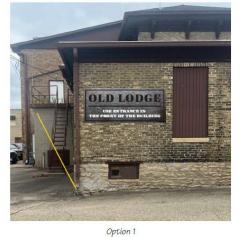
Thank you for choosing Signarama!





# 16 S Madison St Signage

### Back of Building Signage





96" Width





96" Width

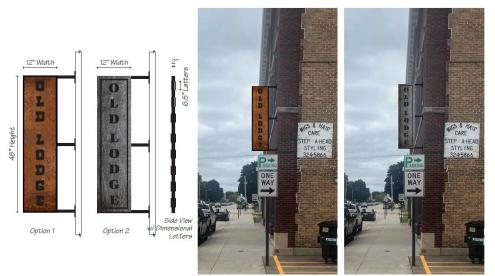


Front Doors

Option 1

Option 2

### Front Projecting Signage



Option 1

Option 2

#### **RESOLUTION #12-21-04-01**

#### **RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CREATION OF A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY IN THE CITY OF WAUPUN**

WHEREAS, Section 66.1335, Wis. Stats., authorizes the City Council to adopt a resolution creating a Community Development Authority; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Waupun has found that the findings and declarations made in Sections 66.1201(2), 66.1331(2), 66.1333(2) and 66.1335(2), Wis. Stats., are in all respects applicable to the City of Waupun and those findings are hereby adopted, restated and incorporated herein. Further, that there exists a need for blight elimination, slum clearance, urban renewal and community development programs and projects and housing projects in the City; and a Community Development Authority functioning within the City constitutes an effective and efficient means of preventing the reoccurrence thereof and for the elimination of unsanitary or unsafe inhabited dwelling accommodations and to provide safe and sanitary swelling accommodations for persons of low income; and the necessity for said Authority is hereby declared as a matter of legislative determination.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Council of the City of Waupun, Fond du Lac County and Dodge County, Wisconsin, hereby creates the Community Development Authority of the City of Waupun. Pursuant to Section 66.1335, Wis. Stats., there is hereby created the Community Development Authority of the City of Waupun as a separate body politic, for the purpose of carrying out blight elimination, slum clearance, urban renewal programs and projects and housing projects; which Authority shall be known as the "Community Development Authority of the City of Waupun".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Community Development Authority shall have the exclusive power to proceed to carry on blight elimination, slum clearance and urban renewal projects in the City of Waupun, except that the City may apply, accept and contract for federal grants, advances and loans under the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 C.P.L. 93-383.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Mayor shall, with the confirmation of the City Council, appoint five (5) resident persons having sufficient ability and experience in the fields of urban renewal, community development and housing, as Commissioners of the Community Development Authority.

> (1) One (1) of the Commissioners shall be a members of the City Council and shall serve their term of office as Council members.

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- (2) For the first appointments of the five (5) non-Council members shall be for the following terms: two (2) for one year and one each for terms of two (2), three (3) and four (4) years. Thereafter, the terms of the non-Council members shall be four (4) years and until their successors are appointed and qualified.
- (3) Vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term as provided in this subsection.
- (4) Commissioners shall be reimbursed their actual and necessary expenses, including local travel expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Community Development Authority will have the following powers and duties:

- (1) The Community Development Authority shall have all powers, duties, and functions set out in Sections 66.1201 and 66.1333, Wis. Stats., for housing and redevelopment authorities and, as to all housing projects initiated by the Community Development Authority, it shall proceed under Section 66.1201, Wis. Stats., and as to all projects relating to blight elimination, slum clearance, urban renewal and redevelopment programs, it shall proceed under Sections 66.1105, 66.1301 to 66.1329, 66.1331, 66.1333, or 66.1337, Wis. Stats., as determined appropriate by the City Council on a project by project basis.
- (2) The Community Development Authority shall act as the agent of the City in planning and carrying out community development programs and activities approved by the Mayor and City Council under the Federal Housing and Community Development Act of 1974. As to all community development programs and activities undertaken by the City under the Federal Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, the Federal Housing and Community Development Authority shall proceed under all applicable laws and ordinances not inconsistent with the laws of this State.
- (3) The Community Development Authority shall act as agent to the City to perform all acts, except the development of the general plan of the City which may be otherwise performed by the Plan Commission under Sections 66.1105, 66.1301 to 66.1329, 66.1331, or 66.1337, Wis. Stats.

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT upon adoption of this resolution any housing authorities or redevelopment authorities previously created in the City under 66.1201 and 66.133 are terminated, according to 66.1335(5).

ADOPTED on this 21<sup>st</sup> day of December, 2004.

Jodi Steger, Mayor

Clerk

Respectfully Submitted:

The above resolution has been authorized by the governing body of the City of Waupun by Resolution #12-21-04-01, dated <u>December 21, 2004</u>. Date Passed: December 21, 2004

Vote Aye: Robert Tank, Art Ehlert, Thomas Hodge III, and Eric Navis Vote Nay: Rohn Bishop

### WISCONSIN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & **REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITIES**

The following is a partial list of Wisconsin communities that have established a Community Development or Redevelopment Authority.

> Appleton, City of Ashwaubenon, Village of Bayside, Village of Beloit, City of Brodhead, City of Brokaw, Village of Brookfield, City of Brown Deer, City of Cashton, Village of Chippewa Falls, City of Columbus, City of Cudahy, City of DeForest, Village of Delafield, City of Eau Claire, City of Edgar, Village of Edgerton, City of Fennimore, City of Fitchburg, City of Franklin, City of Genesee Depot, Town of Glendale, City of Grafton, Village of Green Bay, City of Greenfield, City of Hartland, Village of Horicon, City of Janesville, City of Juneau, City of McFarland, Village of Madison, City of Marathon City, Village of Marshfield, City of Mazomanie, Village of Medford, City of Menominee Falls, Village of Merrill, City of Middleton, City of Milton, City of Milwaukee, City of Monona, City of Monroe, City of Mt. Horeb, Village of

Muskego, City of New Glarus, Village of Oak Creek, City of Oconomowoc, City of Oconto Falls, City of Onalaska, City of Platteville, City of Port Washington, City of Prairie du Chien, City of Reedsburg, City of Ripon, City of Roberts, Village of Saukville, Village of South Milwaukee, City of Sparta, City of Stevens Point, City of Sturtevant, City of Two Rivers, City of Verona, City of Viroqua, Village of Waterford, Village of Waukesha, City of Waupaca, City of Waupun, City of Wausau, City of West Allis, City of Weston, Village of Whitefish Bay, City of Whitewater, City of Windsor, Town of Wisconsin Rapids, City of Wrightstown, Village of







# **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT** AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITIES





On-going budget worries and citizen pressures for "smart growth" have made the use of CDA's and RDA's—Community Development Authorities and Redevelopment Authorities—more popular than ever. These quasi-governmental agencies give municipal governments grater flexibility to address development issues through public-private partnerships while providing alternative avenues for financing projects. It is especially beneficial to have the ability to provide flexible incentives to private property owners in the case of a downtown redevelopment TIF, because these efforts often require costly improvements to existing structures.

#### CDA VS. RDA-WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

A CDA and an RDA have similar structures and powers. The primary difference is that a CDA includes all the powers given to Housing Authorities. If a municipality already has a Housing Authority and wants to keep it as a separate organization, then it would create an RDA. If a single organization is desired, the Housing Authority would then be dissolved and a CDA would be created. For the purposes of this information, we will use the term CDA and imply both CDA and RDA.

#### WHAT IS A CDA?

A CDA is created by the municipal government as a separate organization with its own governing body. Only two members of the seven-member board can be local government representatives. The purpose of the organization is to prevent and eliminate blighted areas within the local government jurisdiction. It has the power to condemn property, buy and sell real estate, issue bonds, and enter into contracts, among other powers.

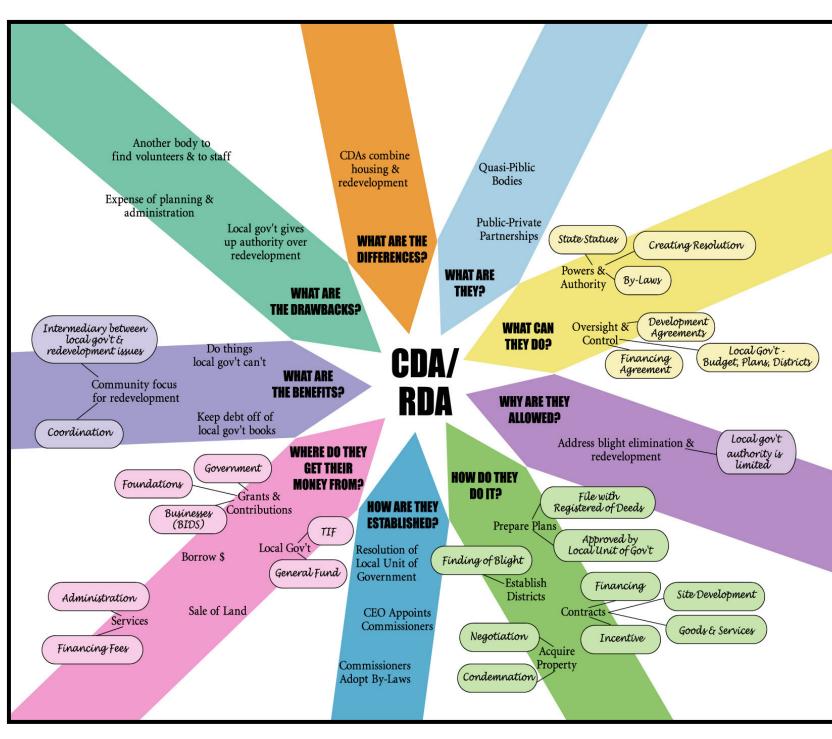
A CDA is authorized by Sections 66.1333 (Redevelopment Authorities) and 66.1335 (Community Development Authorities) of the Wisconsin State Statutes. It is established by resolution or ordinance of the local governing body, and governed by a seven (7) member commission. In order to exercise the power of a CDA, a redevelopment district is established and a redevelopment plan is prepared.

#### HOW IS A CDA FUNDED?

A redevelopment authority can be funded through various tools. Of course they could be funded directly through the local municipality, but there are also several other tools that are available to fund a CDA or RDA. Tax Incremental Financing (TIF) is an economic development tool that is often used to establish redevelopment plans for blighted areas. TIF is able to direct funds to a CDA to help fulfill the purpose of the TIF. In addition, many grants are available to redevelop blighted or contaminated areas. The community may also choose to borrow the fund necessary to establish and maintain a CDA/RDA, or funds may be available from the sale of real estate that has been acquired by the CDA.

#### HOW IS ONE ESTABLISHED?

To establish a CDA, the local government must adopt a resolution or ordinance that will create a CDA or RDA, which will be a seven-member commission appointed by the Mayor or Village President. At least one of the Commissioners must be a member of the local legislative body, but no more than two of the Commissioners may be officers of the local governing body. Commissioners, as much as possible, should include representatives from the general public, labor, industry, finance or business and civic organizations.



### HOW DO THEY EXERCISE POWER?

In order to exercise the powers of a redevelopment authority, a district boundary and redevelopment project area must be established. The district should largely be made up of blighted properties and in need of redevelopment. If the district is appropriate to be a redevelopment area, the municipality must pass a resolution declaring the district a blighted area. The CDA or RDA will then prepare a redevelopment plan for the district, which will include an inventory of projects that should be undertaken with an estimated budget of each. When the redevelopment plan is complete, a public hearing is held for people to ask questions and find out more information about the district and proposed projects. After the public hearing, the local municipal government must approve the plan. The CDA/RDA will then certify the plan to the local legislative body and can thereafter exercise its power. Any projects that the redevelopment authority undertakes must be in conformance with the certified redevelopment plan.

#### PROS AND CONS

Developing a CDA generally has both positive and negative attributes. A CDA signifies a single agency that has the responsibility to address and carry out redevelopment issues within the community. One major benefit of an established CDA is that it can act as a buffer between the local governing body and the private sector in an acquisition, condemnation, relocation and disposition of a property. This ability provides the potential to protect the local government from associated liability. A CDA also has the ability to issue bonds for projects without counting against the local government's statutory debt limit. CDA projects are eligible to obtain double tax-exempt bonds which may be able to

A CDA also has the ability to issue bonds for projects without counting against the local government's statutory debt limit. CDA projects are eligible to obtain double tax-exempt bonds which may be able to provide lower rates than those obtained through other financing. An established CDA also provides greater flexibility when creating and implementing a TIF district. The TIF district is able to fund CDA activities that the local government may not be able to undertake directly, such as making direct loans or grants to projects. In addition to these benefits, there are also several detriments to creating a CDA. The primary one being that the local governing body or Planning Commission loses direct control of redevelopment projects. The decision making authority rests with the CDA commissioners, only two of which can be members of the local legislative body. However, the local government is able to limit the powers of the CDA through the creation resolution of its initial establishment.

The local governing body must also approve the CDA's budget annually and all project redevelopment plans. In order to prepare a redevelopment plan, the CDA must identify an area as blighted, which the local governing body must also approve.

A drawback to establishing any committee or organization is the hours that are required for it to operate. It needs to be staffed and volunteers need to be found to serve as commissioners. Some communities intentionally form their Plan Commission as the CDA to address this issue. The establishment of a CDA implies the need for redevelopment in a community. Along with redevelopment comes added expense. Preparing a redevelopment plan and staffing expenses should be considered an investment when moving forward with needed improvements in the community. Although these negative aspects are important to consider, many communities find that the positive contributions that a CDA bring to the community far outweigh negative ones.

#### POWERS OF A CDA

The following is a list of local powers that a Community Development or Redevelopment Authority is able to hold in a community.

- 1. Prepare or cause to be prepared redevelopment and urban renewal plans and to undertake and carry out redevelopment and urban renewal projects within the corporate limits of the Village.
- 2. Enter into contracts determined by the authority to be necessary to effectuate its purposes and objectives.
- 3. Acquire by purchase, lease, or eminent domain real or personal property necessary or incidental to a redevelopment or urban renewal project.
- 4. Hole, improve, clear, or prepare property for redevelopment or urban renewal projects.
- 5. Sell, lease, subdivide, retain real property or make available for Village's use.
- 6. Develop covenants, restrictions, or conditions for property.
- 7. Temporarily operate and maintain real property.
- 8. Enter any building or property in any project are to make inspections, surveys, appraisals, soundings, or test borings.
- 9. Own and hold property and to insure property and its operations against any risks or hazards.
- 10. Invest any project funds held in reserve or any funds not required for immediate disbursement.
- 11. Borrow money and issue bonds to finance its activities and for carrying out its projects.
- 12. Apply for and accept advances, loans, grants, contributions and any other form of financial assistance from the Village, County, State, Federal government, or other public or private body.
- 13. Debt or obligation of the authority shall not be deemed debt or obligation of the Village, County, State, or any other governmental authority.
- 14. Bonds issued by a redevelopment authority are declared to be for essential public purpose and, together with interest