



MINUTES
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 625 SWIFT BLVD.
Monday, June 19, 2023 – 4:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Bricker called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

ATTENDANCE

Chairman Bricker, Vice-Chair Morasch, Committee Members Griffin, Kesoju, Spencer and Fair. Member Potts was excused.

Also present were Development Services Director Jensen, Planner Arrasmith, Economic Development Specialist Follett and Administrative Assistant II Kirkpatrick.

Economic Development Manager Wallner was excused.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Bricker presented the agenda for approval. There were no changes or additions.

COMMITTEE MEMBER SPENCER MOVED AND COMMITTEE MEMBER MORASCH SECONDED THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED. MOTION PASSED 6-0.

Committee Member Potts arrived after approval of Agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. May 15, 2023 Minutes

Chairman Bricker introduced the meeting minutes from May 15, 2023. There were no changes or discussion.

COMMITTEE MEMBER MORASCH MOVED AND COMMITTEE MEMBER GRIFFIN SECONDED THE MOTION TO APPROVE THE MEETING MINUTES OF MAY 19, 2023. MOTION PASSED 7-0.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

2. Proposed Purchase and Sale Agreement with Cenate for Property Located in Horn Rapids

Planner Arrasmith presented the proposed purchase and sale agreement for fifty (50)-acre property located in the southwest corner of the North Horn Rapids Industrial Park for

development of a 40,000 square foot industrial production facility to Cenate. At the conclusion of the presentation, he answered questions from committee members.

COMMITTEE MEMBER SPENCER MOVED AND COMMITTEE MEMBER MORASCH SECONDED THE MOTION THAT THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE RECOMMEND TO CITY COUNCIL THE APPROVAL OF THE PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT WITH CENATE FOR THE FIFTY (50) ACRES OF CITY PROPERTY LOCATED AT 2694 HORN RAPIDS ROAD. MOTION PASSED 7-0.

3. Commercial Façade Improvement Grant Application for 1515 Wright Ave. (610 The Parkway, LLC)

Chairman Bricker recognized Economic Development Specialist Follett. She went over what the Commercial Façade Improvement Program, and allowable uses. Mr. Carlisle's full project at 1515 Wright Avenue includes an interior and exterior upgrade of the building with renovation work that is valued at \$150,000 and is requesting the maximum contribution of \$20,000.

COMMITTEE MEMBER SPENCER MOVED AND COMMITTEE MEMBER GRIFFIN SECONDED THE MOTION TO RECOMMEND THAT CITY COUNCIL APPROVE THE COMMERCIAL FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO 1515 WRIGHT AVENUE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,000. APPROVAL OF REQUEST. MOTION PASSED 7-0.

PRESENTATIONS

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

Mrs. Follett gave an update to the Committee on Ribbon cutting and that it is now a part of Economic Development division responsibilities. The Geocoin Challenge in John Dam Plaza is this upcoming Saturday that brings tourist from all over to Richland. Lastly, that on July 6, 2023 is the ribbon cutting for Bob Ferguson Memorial, and street naming if any members want to attend.

REAL ESTATE UPDATE

Mr. Arrasmith updated the committee on Surplus property that had been approved and sent to Council. He also stated that the Horn Rapids fee schedule is updated and going to Council in July.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Bricker adjourned the meeting at 4:28 p.m.

Prepared by: Carly Kirkpatrick
Carly Kirkpatrick, Administrative Assistant II

Reviewed by: Mandy Wallner
Mandy Wallner, Economic Development Manager

Approved by: Brad Bricker
Brad Bricker, Chairman