



Downtown Development Authority

City of Ecorse, Michigan

Minutes (Informal, NO QUORUM)

Ecorse Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Board Meeting

Thursday, January 6, 2022 – 8:30 am via Zoom

Zoom ID: 3886354369, password: 5555 or call in at 312-626-6799 ID: 3886354369

1. Meeting Called to Order – 8:36 am

2. Roll Call:

Johnny Gewarges, Chairman

Darcel Brown, Mayor-Pro Tem

Gus Callis, Vice-Chairman

Harvey Ghuman

Jackie Brown, Secretary

Bob Reed

Lamar Tidwell, Mayor

Kelly Rose

Also present: N. Wolf (McKenna), Larry S., Tim. S

3. Information

4. Approval of the Agenda

No Motion.

5. Approval of the Minutes of the November and December 2021 DDA Meetings

No Motion.

6. Old Business

1) Banners and Refuse Containers

a. Banners

1. Staff waiting to hear back on logo alteration

2. Colors to be voted on after establishment of social media

b. Refuse Containers

1. Donation from USS allows for purchase of ~20 cans

2) Communications Plan

a. Staff to touch-in with interested member next month

7. New Business

1) Spring Food Truck and Vendor Rally

a. Proposed budget – 900\$ (tents, tables, and advertising)

b. Interest flier available for distribution

c. Staff to contact neighboring cities to determine conflicts; research typical fees; confirm license with Wayne County and Ecorse clerks

2) Draft FY21-22 Budget

3) Reporting to Taxable Jurisdictions & Annual Report

a. Report to be approved at next meeting

- 4) Meeting Time
 - a. Not yet determined, next meeting set to be in-person

8. Next Meeting: February 8, 2022 (Regular Board Meeting & Informational Meeting) 6pm at City Hall Council Chambers (remote option to be available for the public)

9. Public Comments

None.

10. Board Member Comments

- 1) City staff working on MEDC RAP Grant Application, Board members Gewarges and Brown offered to assist. Staff to check if RAP grant can be applied for separately by DDA
- 2) Brownstone DDA Meeting attended by several Board members
- 3) Staff to reach out to River Rouge DDA
- 4) City is applying for shoreline stabilizations, erosion, and flooding funding – any businesses that want to apply with city the app is due Jan 21.

11. Adjournment