

MEETING MINUTES
Economic Development Commission Meeting
Meeting Date August 3, 2021

Chair St. Onge called the virtual meeting (via Zoom w/ an open code) to order at 6:05 PM

<u>ROLL CALL</u>	<u>PRESENT</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
Chair Charlie St. Onge	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vice Chair Dennis Melton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sarah Kinkade.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marc Pemberton.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Tom Weis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
FJ Schue.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Eric Wolf.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Troy Pieper	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Krystal Keltner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Also present were:

Ada Hood, City Planner and Planning Intern Samhi Prabhakar

Planner Hood introduced Ms. Samhi Prabhakar, a rising senior at Marquette High School participating in the Project Interface program through the Rockwood School District.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Str. Onge moved to approve the Agenda, and was seconded by Commissioner Wolf

<u>Vote Call</u>	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Absent</u>
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Vice Chair Melton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sarah Kinkade.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Marc Pemberton.....	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Tom Weis	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Krystal Keltner.....	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Kinkade and Chairman St. Onge requested changes to the minutes. Commissioner Weis moved to approve the Minutes as revised and was seconded by Commissioner Wolf.

<u>Vote Call</u>	<u>Aye</u>	<u>Abstain</u>	<u>Nay</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Chair St. Onge	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Vice Chair Melton	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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OLD BUSINESS

a. Living Veteran Banners in Bluebird Parking Lot – Project Completed

Planner Hood informed the Commission that the City Council had voted to include veteran names on the second batch of banners. Commissioner Pieper indicated that he would inform the facilities he contacted that the names were included.

b. Social Media

Planner Hood informed the Commission she had nothing to report.

c. E-Newsletter

Planner Hood stated that Commissioner Keltner had already begun work on the announcement for the digital newsletter. Planner Hood added that the outline emailed by Commissioner Kinkade yesterday included a rough format and topics for the newsletter. Commissioner Kinkade provided a review of the potential newsletter outline.

Commissioner Keltner indicated that a possible name was The Ellisville Connection - your source to local business news.

d. EDC Mission

Planner Hood stated this topic was for informational purposes only.

NEW BUSINESS

a. Survey

Planner Hood stated that an initial survey was conducted 4 years ago, and that now seemed

an appropriate time to conduct a new survey. The Commission took a poll and unanimously voted to move forward with a survey. Commissioner Melton agreed to work with Commissioner Keltner and Planner Hood to prepare the questions. Chairman St. Onge requested to be kept in the loop.

b. Sidewalk Luminaire Banners

Planner Hood indicated that she had received interest for such signage. Commissioner Melton suggested that the question be added to the survey.

c. Bluebird Business Awards 2022

Planner Hood asked the Commission to start thinking about whether to host the event next year, or not. She advised the Commission that a decision should be made in November 2021.

d. Training Workshops

Commissioner Melton agreed to reach out to the SBA about presenting the Access to Capital Program in person. He added that providers were primarily presenting virtually. Commissioner Kinkade suggested that a question regarding potential topics be added to the survey.

Chairman St. Onge adjourned the meeting at 6:48 P.M.