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**Proceedings of the Economic Development Corporation Meeting
Wednesday, December 1, 2021**

A Regular Meeting of the Economic Development Corporation (EDC) was held on Wednesday, December 1, 2021 at 10:00 A.M. in the Memorial Building Auditorium and by ZOOM

1. Chair Wyssling called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.
2. Recording of the Roll

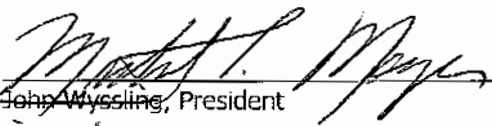
MEMBER	Present		EXCUSED	NOT EXCUSED
	YES	NO		
Thorsen, Gina		X	X	
Lemke, Joseph		X	X	
Korpela, Nancy	X			
Meyer, Michael	X			
Kim Corcoran	X			
Ruppe, Mark	X			
Schonberg, Bob	X			
Wyssling, John	X			
Vacant				
Quorum	7	1	Quorum	

Also Present: Community Development Director Tom Bergman

3. Approval of the October 6, 2021 Meeting Minutes:
Motion by Corcoran to accept the meeting minutes. **Second** by Ruppe. **Motion Carried 6 to 0.**
4. Approval of the Agenda.
Motion by Corcoran to approval the Agenda. **Second** by Ruppe. **Motion Carried 6 to 0.**
5. Citizens wishing to address the Corporation regarding Items on the Agenda (Three-minute limit):
None.

6. Citizens wishing to address the Corporation regarding items not on the Agenda (Three-minute limit): None.
7. Items for Discussion and Consideration.
 - A. 2021 Goals.
 - I. Redevelopment Ready Communities Development Sites – MEDC Grants (i.e. Build Ready Sites Grant): The grant hasn't opened yet, but Director Bergman has done some research for more opportunities with the grant. He discussed some of those other opportunities. Wyssling discussed the need for additional housing needs to help the expansion of the industrial park.
 - II. Internal Marketing (Chamber Volunteer Fair review): Director Meyer address the Corporation and stated that over 65 people interested in volunteering attended and 34 organizations set up tables. The Committee has met and discussed ways to improve the event for the next year.
 - III. TIF District for Downtown: There may be additional funding that may be available prior to certification. Some consulting companies have been identified through help with the MEDC.
 - B. Adult Use Marihuana Establishment License Application Update: One of the retail establishments will be open in the next few months. There hasn't been much movement from the other applicants.
 - C. Zoning Ordinance Update and timeline: The public hearing is tomorrow with the Planning Commission. There will be a combined workshop between the City Commission and the Planning Commission.
8. Other Business: The ability of using zoom for public meetings may go away after January 1st if the emergency declaration isn't extended.

Wyssling stated that he is looking at other options for volunteering outside of the EDC and will be leaving at the end of his term.
9. Next Meeting: January 5, 2022 at 10:00 a.m.
10. Adjournment. **Motion** by Corcoran to adjourn at 10:24 a.m. **Second** by Ruppe. **Motion Carried 6 to 0.**


~~John Wyssling, President~~
Michael Meyer



Tim Erickson, Community Development Assistant