

Proceedings of the Downtown Ironwood Development Authority Thursday, May 26, 2022

A regular meeting of the Downtown Ironwood Development Authority (DIDA) was held on Thursday, May 26, 2022 at 8:00 A.M. via Zoom video conferencing software.

- 1. Call to Order: Chairperson Amy Nosal called the meeting to order at 8:01 A.M.
- 2. Recording of the Roll.

MEMBER	PRES YES	SENT NO	EXCUSED	NOT EXCUSED
Cathy Flory	X	T		
Nancy Korpela, Vice	X			
Kim Corcoran	X	T		
Robert Alexander	X			
Amy Nosal	X	T		
Molly Gardner	X	T		
Ivan Hellen	X			
Anna Lovelace	X			
Bruce Greenhill	X			
	9	0	Quorum	

Also, present: Community Development Director, Tom Bergman, and Community Development Assistant, Tim Erickson.

3. Approval of the March 24, 2022 Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Korpela to approve the meeting minutes. Second by Corcoran. Motion carried 8 to $\mathbf{0}$.

4. Approval of the Agenda:

Motion by Korpela to approve the agenda. Second by Greenhill. Motion carried 8 to 0.

- 5. Citizens wishing to address the Authority on Items on the Agenda (Three-Minute Limit); None.
- 6. Citizens wishing to address the Authority on Items not on the Agenda (Three-Minute Limit): Ryan Gobats addressed the Authority and asked for the City to allow consumption areas in the downtown.

Michael Meyer with the Ironwood Chamber of Commerce mentioned that he will be having an event for employers and employees within the area.

7. Receive and place on file the Monthly Financial Report: The Authority reviewed the report.

Motion by Corcoran to receive and place on file the Financial Report. Second by Hellen. Motion carried 9 to 0.

8. Discuss and Consider 2022-2023 budget: No discussion.

Motion by Corcoran to approve the budget. Second by Flory. Motion carried 9 to 0.

- 9. Items for Discussion and Consideration.
 - A. Ironwood Chamber Funding Request: Director Meyer gave an update on the newly published Ironwood Art Guide.
 - B. Downtown Development Plan Round Table Discussion (Audience with McKenna via Zoom): Danielle Bouchard from McKenna presented before the Authority. The Authority was given the opportunity to provide ideas for Downtown Ironwood. Greenhill asked about what acquisition strategy meant. Flory discussed the need for parking wayfinding and separately discussed the need for housing downtown. Alexander discussed the need to keep short term rentals to make building rehabilitation financially feasible. TIF and DIDA funding can address physical building improvements. Alexander discussed making a true core downtown intersection along with potential opportunities for public parking lot on Suffolk St. Bergman asked about expanding the downtown area. Lynne Wiercinski with the Carnegie library addressed the Authority and discussed having a place for community gathering. Danielle went over the project schedule to discuss next steps. Helien asked how preserving history will be dealt with in the plan.
 - C. First Friday Update: Erickson gave an update on the Summer events and the Committee contributed to the conversation.
- 10. Other Business:
- 11. Next Meeting: Thursday, June 23, 2022 at 8:00 a.m.
- 12. Adjournment.

Motion by Corcoran to adjourn the meeting, second by Korpela. Motion carried 9 to 0.

Amy Nosal, Chair

Tim Erickson, Community Development Assistant