

Proceedings of the Downtown Ironwood Development Authority Thursday, September 29, 2022

A regular meeting of the Downtown Ironwood Development Authority (DIDA) was held on Thursday, September 29, 2022 at 8:00 A.M. in the City of Ironwood Commission Chambers

- 1. Call to Order: Director Bergman called the meeting to order at 8:00 A.M.
- 2. Recording of the Roll.

MEMBER	PRES YES	SENT NO	EXCUSED	NOT EXCUSED
Cathy Flory	X			
Nancy Korpela, Vice	X			
Kim Corcoran	X			
Robert Alexander	X			
Amy Nosal	X			
Molly Gardner	X			
Ivan Hellen	X			
Vacant				
Bruce Greenhill	X			
	8	0	Quorum	

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

3. Approval of the August 25, 2022 Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Korpela to approve the meeting minutes. Second by Corcoran. Motion carried 8 to 0.

4. Approval of the Agenda:

Motion by Hellen to approve the amended agenda to remove item 7. Second by Flory. 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): Meyer with the Ironwood Chamber of Commerce addressed the Authority and

discussed the Jack Frost Festival Calendar, Jack Frost Raffle, volunteer fair, annual fall social, and the Jack Frost Parade.

- 7. Items for Discussion and Consideration.
 - A. Downtown Development Plan: Director Bergman introduced the proposed map and the authority discussed. The Citizen committee will meet one time to discuss the plan and to make recommendations on whether to adopt the plan.
 - B. First Friday Update (Plaidurday): Erickson updated the Authority on the plans for October First Friday.
 - C. Update on Downtown Historical Signage Project: Hellen has met with the designer to deliver the signs to the memorial building this week. The next steps are sign installation and brochure development.
 - D. Discuss and consider purchase of Christmas Wreaths: The Authority discussed obtaining a quote from downtown business: Yooper Wreaths for next year. Reusable plastic wreaths were discussed as a future purchase. The purchase of reusable wreaths could be done in phases.

Motion by Greenhill to purchase 74 wreaths from Santa's Wreaths, second by Korpela. Motion carried 8 to 0.

Erickson discussed purchasing string holders for the downtown wreaths. The Authority didn't want to pursue that purchase.

Erickson presented the wreath donation letter for the Authority to consider.

Motion by Corcoran to approve the wreath donation letter, second by Korpela. Motion carried 8 to 0.

- E. Contract for snow shoveling pocket park: Staff has been unable to contact the snow remover from last year. Erickson will reach out to other contractors for quotes.
- 8. Other Business: Hellen said that the string lights on the West side of aurora are all off. Hellen had a conversation with a filmmaker that was impressed with Ironwood's revitalization. Alexander asked about the street trees on the sidewalks and who's responsibility it would be to trim them. He suggested trimming them before Plaidurday. Corcoran brought up the businesses responsibility to remove snow in the downtown. She also brought up the skate oval at the city square. She asked if it's the DIDA's or Parks and Rec's responsibility. She discussed the need for the parking lots to be spruced up and a plan for the DPW to pull weeds and trim trees. The City purchased Wells Fargo building that was through the County auction. Greenhill asked if a letter will be sent out to property owners for sidewalk shoveling.

- 9. Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 27, 2022 at 8:00 a.m.
- 10. Adjournment.

Motion by Korpela to adjourn the meeting, second by Corcoran. Motion carried 8 to 0.

Amy Nosal, Chair

Tim Erickson, Community Development Assistant