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**Proceedings of the Economic Development Corporation Meeting
 Wednesday, January 4, 2023**

A Regular Meeting of the Economic Development Corporation (EDC) was held on Wednesday, January 4, 2023 at 10:00 A.M. in the Memorial Building Commission Chambers.

1. Chairman Meyer 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			
Korpela, Nancy	X			
Steve Lehto	X			
Meyer, Michael	X			
Kim Corcoran	X			
Vacant				
Schonberg, Bob		X	X	
Glen Ackerman-Behr	X			
Carolyn Libby	X			
Quorum	7	1	Quorum	

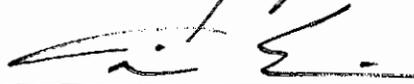
Also Present: Community Development Assistant Tim Erickson.

3. Approval of the December 7, 2022 Meeting Minutes:
Motion by Corcoran to accept the meeting minutes. **Second** by Thorsen. **Motion Carried 7 to 0.**
4. Approval of the Agenda.
Motion by Corcoran to approve the Agenda. **Second** by Ackerman-Behr. **Motion Carried 7 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. 2023 Goal Setting: The housing committee has been formed and the zoning ordinance has been created. Staff will create a one-page document for new housing opportunities along with Meyer. The City has been working with a housing developer but is premature to offer more details. WUPPDR has completed a housing study which is applicable to the conversation. The downtown development plan is being created and the Comprehensive plan will need to be updated soon. The 5-year marketing plan should be updated along with the Comprehensive Plan. Ackerman-Behr asked about the amount of corporate investor properties that are located in the city. He also thinks that the short-term rental is softening and moving back to long term rentals. Corcoran mentioned that houses are getting back on the market. The Ironwood Housing Commission could be approached to be on the committee. Meyer wants to create a marketing booklet to help guide people that want to build, rehab, or purchase a home.
 - B. Update on Downtown Development Plan and TIF Plan (District Map): Bergman presented the TIF map and explained the funding mechanism.
 - C. Zoning Ordinance Update: Bergman said to download the document to look at it.
8. Other Business: Meyer talked about the FE Calendar and a survey to go out to businesses to see if the calendar is important to them.
9. Next Meeting: February 1, 2023 at 10:00 a.m.
10. Adjournment. **Motion** by Lehto to adjourn at 10:46 a.m. **Second** by Ackerman-Behr. **Motion Carried 7 to 0.**



Michael Meyer, President



Tim Erickson, Community Development Assistant