

## Proceedings of the Downtown Ironwood Development Authority Thursday, March 27, 2025

A regular meeting of the Downtown Ironwood Development Authority (DIDA) was held on Thursday, March 27, 2025, at 8:00 A.M. in the Ironwood Memorial Building Women's Club Room.

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

MEMBER	PRES YES	ENT NO	EXCUSED	NOT EXCUSED
Cathy Flory	X			
Vacant				
Kim Corcoran	X			
Vacant				
Lynne Wiercinski	Х			
Eric Moran	Х			
Kevin Nyquist		X	Х	
Robbie Sardinha	X			
Bruce Greenhill	Х			
	6	1	Quorum	

Also, present: Community Development Director, Tom Bergman.

3. Approval of the February 27, 2025, Meeting Minutes:

Motion by Corcoran to approve the meeting minutes. Second by Sardinha. Motion carried 6 to 0.

4. Approval of the Agenda:

Motion by Moran to approve the agenda. Second by Corcoran. Motion carried 6 to 0.

- 5. Citizens wishing to address the Authority on Items on the Agenda (Three-Minute Limit): None.
- Citizens wishing to address the Authority on Items not on the Agenda (Three-Minute Limit): None.

- 7. Receive and place on file the financial report: Director Bergman presented the financial report.
  - Motion by Corcoran to receive and place on file the financial report, second by Wiercinski. Motion carried 6 to 0.
- 8. Discuss Draft Budget and DIDA TIF Funds: Director Bergman and Finance Director presented the budgets. The budget surplus was discussed.
- 9. Items for Discussion and Consideration.
  - A. 210 S. Suffolk Street Project: Director Bergman presented the project and the memo. Purchasing the property and the implications were discussed. Stabilization and demolition conditions were discussed. Options for acquiring the property was discussed.
    - Motion by Corcoran to advise the City staff to move forward with the potential purchase of the building, second by Sardinha. Motion carried 4 to 2.
  - B. Gogebic Range Farmers Market Association Funding Request: The request was for \$1,000 to support the market.
    - Motion by Sardinha to approve the general contribution \$1,000 to the Gogebic Range Farmers Market Association, second by Wiercinski. Motion carried 6 to 0.
  - C. Flower Basket Donations: Director Bergman presented the flower basket donation letter.
    - Motion by Greenhill to approve the letter, second by Sardinha. Motion carried 6 to 0.
  - D. Downtown Entrance Sign Update: Director Bergman discussed the work that is in process.
  - E. Update on Mural Festival: Flory talked presented the mural project and the costs associated with the murals. Flory will be reaching out to the Ironwood Tourism Council to partner with the DIDA on the project. Moran talked about making sure that the facades will hold up for a long time when choosing which properties to choose from.
    - Motion by Sardinha to increase the fund from \$3,500 to \$5,000 for this project, second by Greenhill. Motion carried 6 to 0.
  - F. Comprehensive Plan Update: The Comprehensive Plan and Housing Plan Open House is this evening.
  - G. First Friday: No update.
  - H. Ironwood Chamber of Commerce Update: Director Meyer talked about the Chamber destination guide. A new felivelife.org community calendar website will be made.
- 10. Other Business: None.

- 11. Next Meeting: Thursday, April 24, 2025, at 8:00 a.m.
- 12. Adjournment. 9:06 a.m.

Motion by Moran to adjourn the meeting, second by Sardinha. All in favor.

Cathy Flory, Chair

Tim Erickson, Community Development Assistant