



**Proceedings of the Downtown Ironwood Development Authority
Thursday, November 20, 2025**

A regular meeting of the Downtown Ironwood Development Authority (DIDA) was held on Thursday, November 20, 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	PRESENT		EXCUSED	NOT EXCUSED
	YES	NO		
Cathy Flory	X			
Vacant				
Kim Corcoran	X			
Kelsey Roble	X			
Lynne Wiercinski	X			
Vacant				
Kevin Nyquist		X	X	
Robbie Sardinha	X			
Bruce Greenhill		X	X	
	5	2	Quorum	

Also, present: Community Development Assistant Tim Erickson.

3. Approval of the September 25, 2025, Meeting Minutes:
Motion by Corcoran to approve the meeting minutes. Second by Roble. Motion carried 5 to 0.
4. Approval of the Agenda:
Motion by Corcoran to approve the amended agenda. Second by Roble. Motion carried 5 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): None.
7. Receive and place on file the financial report:

Motion by Corcoran to receive and place on file the financial report. Second by Roble. Motion carried 5 to 0.

8. Items for Discussion and Consideration.

- A. Discussion on TIF Programming – “Start North” Downtown Incentive Program: The program was discussed. Overall, the ideas were liked by the group. The group talked about adding the word stabilization to the façade name if stabilization activities are added as eligible scope items for the program. They would like the applicant to submit a business plan in order to receive funding. Creating stricter criteria is needed for businesses that apply who are currently in business. Staff was encouraged to look at Bessemer’s program guidelines. They would like to see specific guidelines before moving forward with the program.
- B. Downtown Entrance Sign Update: The footings were installed, and the sign will be installed in the next week or so.
- C. Downtown Snow Removal Discussion: The DIDA would like to request that the City of Ironwood DPW remove snow from the sidewalks before the Jack Frost Parade. The City Manager can determine reasonable snowbank size. The quote from 906 tree service was discussed. There is not enough time to consider the downtown wide snow removal for this year. They would like to consider this before budgeting time for next year.
- D. Comprehensive Plan Update: No update.
- E. First Friday. (Update on MACC Funding): The December First Friday planning was discussed. The Frost Friday Holiday Market will take place along with a movie at the theatre and smores at the City Square. Flory discussed the co-op offerings.
- F. Ironwood Chamber of Commerce Update: The Chamber spoke with the City Manager for clearing the sidewalks for Jack Frost Parade. Jack Frost Tree lighting ceremony is this evening. Treats will be on display at the Depot and the mayor will be welcoming the season at the tree lighting event. Mary Kasten was applauded for her work on the Frost Friday Holiday Market. There are 21 registered parade units for the Jack Frost parade with hopes of over 30 units. The Jack Frost Raffle is behind as well.
- G. 2026 Goal Setting Process (Review Last Years Goals): The DIDA reviewed the goals from last year and will identify goals that need to be added or removed for the next meeting.

9. Other Business: Corcoran asked about how the mural fest went. Cathy thought that it was successful but there were many struggles. Planning for next year will continue. Creating a mural fest social media page and having the chamber help admin was discussed.

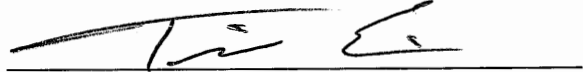
10. Next Meeting: Thursday, December 18, 2025, at 8:00 a.m.

11. Adjournment. 9:00 a.m.

Motion by Corcoran to adjourn the meeting. Second by Wiercinski. All in favor.

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Cathy Flory, Chair

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a stylized 'T' followed by a horizontal line and a small 'E'.

Tim Erickson, Community Development Assistant