

MEETING MINUTES: JULY 21, 2023, 8:00AM REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Location: Kenmar Building, 17515 W. Nine Mile Rd, Southfield, MI 48075, 12th floor

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman James Ralph called meeting to order at 8:00

2. ROLL CALL

Present: W. Michael McFarland, James Ralph, Dr. Steven Craig, Aric Rusk, Ingrid Brown, Mayor Kenson Siver, Elizabeth Rae, Brent Uhl

Also Present: Al Aceves, Executive Director; Christine Zyla, Assistant to the Executive Director.

Roll Call was taken and it was determined a quorum was present.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Rusk, Second by Uhl, to approve the Meeting Agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Meeting Minutes: July 21st, 2023 meeting minutes

Motion by Rusk, Second by McFarland, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the SDDA Board held on May 19th, 2023. Motion carried unanimously.

5. FINANCIAL REPORTS May and June 2023

Executive Director Aceves reviewed the monthly financial reports for May and June 2023. There was no adverse financial activity for these months.

Motion by McFarland, Second by Uhl, to accept and file May and June 2023 Financial Reports. Motion carried unanimously.

6. NEW BUSINESS

A) Update on Executive Search Committee: Elizabeth Rae discussed the timeline and costs of searching for a candidate. A meeting will be held after the regular board meeting to discuss candidate applications.

B) 9 Mile Corridor Enhancement Project: Eric Dryer of OHM presented their plans and progress on moving forward with the project. Discussed possible locations for art displays and new walking/biking paths.

C) Executive Directors Report:

I) Update on MI. Inn: Executive Director Aceves discussed the property being vacated and put on the market by a neutral party.

II) National Brownfield Conference Update: The Brownfield Conference has sold out for the Northland tour.

III) Bazco Oil: Proposed use of Kalabat Property 8 mile and Northland Drive, met with the city planner to discuss project.

III) **Greenfield Plaza development:** discussed recent events surrounding property including city code enforcement activities.

7. Mayors Comments

Mayor Kenson Siver discussed the Reynolds Building being put up for auction.

8. Hearing of Public and Board Comments:

None

9. ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Ralph motioned there being no further business adjourned the meeting at 9:15a.m.

Motion: to end meeting. **Motion by Rae Second by McFarland**

Elizabeth Rae, Secretary, James Ralph, Chairman