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**SPECIAL MEETING
THE COMMUNITY ROOM
May 17, 2017 - 8:00 A.M.**

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Anhut, Elliott, Hartsock, Zachos, and Beiermeister

MEMBERS ABSENT: Gatewood, Johnson, Massey

OTHERS PRESENT: Khalfani Stephens, Economic Development; Maureen Hale, EJH

1. Meeting Called To Order
8:02

2. Roll Call
Quorum

3. Approval of Agenda
Move Hartsock, second Elliott
All Ayes
Motion carried

4. Approval of Minutes: January 2017
Move Hartsock, second Elliott
All Ayes
Motion carried

5. Chairman's Report
Presentation from Farmington Hills Planning Commission
City Planner, Marc Stec gave a PowerPoint presentation detailing the major developments (residential and commercial) that have taken place over the last three years.

Mr. Anhut commented that there were vacancies on the board and that he would like to suggest Mary Martin from the Chamber of Commerce and also Kevin Christiansen from the City of Farmington. He also asked Mr. Hartsock to take the lead on developing a succession plan.

In reviewing the financial status of the EDC, he noted that in 1995 the organization had over \$55,000 in funds and that between now and then, he estimates that approximately +90% was gifted to city projects which did not bring a return to the EEC budget. Mr. Anhut stated that he would now like to explore how the EDC could receive new funding from the City to continue its mission. Mr. Anhut asked Mr. Hartsock to give an update on a recent meeting he had with the Mayor concerning this topic.

Mr. Hartsock stated that he and Mr. Zachos had conducted a preliminary meeting with the Mayor to discuss the topic, but that at the moment there was nothing to report on as the meeting was very much a first step. The next step is to expand the discussion to include other council members. Mr. Hartsock

noted that the EDC could use more funds to help achieve its mission; however a solid plan for use of those funds needs to be in place before making the request to council.

6. New Business/Old Business

2nd Amendment to the Interlocal Agreement (for the MEDC)

Mr. Stephens presented the proposed 2nd amendment to the Interlocal Agreement which created the MEDC. He explained that the document had to be approved in the same form by all of the participating communities and that the primary reason for the amendment was to avoid the possibility of the MEDC being dissolved because future renewals were not carried out timely. This amendment puts automatic renewals in place.

Move Hartsock, second Beiermeister

All Ayes

Motion carried

7. Committee Reports

None

8. Board Members' Comments

Mr. Zachos asked that the standard agenda be updated to only include committee reports when there are in fact reports to be given. He also asked for a current financial report.

Mr. Zachos stated that the board needs to do a better job of tracking suggestions that come out of the meetings and ensuring that they are implemented.

9. Public Comments

None

10. Adjournment

9:25

Respectfully Submitted,

John W. Anhut

Chairman, Economic Development Corporation

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