

**MEETING MINUTES
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
DECEMBER 21, 2022
CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
COMMUNITY ROOM
31555 W ELEVEN MILE ROAD
FARMINGTON HILLS, MICHIGAN**

CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN T.R. CARR AT 8:02 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: T.R. CARR, LEWIS CANTOR, MARK BRUCKI, EUNICE JEFFRIES, MARK ZACHOS, SCOTT ELLIOTT, SAM SLAUGHTER

ALSO PRESENT: Dr. Ken Massey, Council Liaison, Joe Valentine, Assistant City Manager, Cristia Brockway, Economic Development Director

EXCUSED: FRITZ BEIERMEISTER, SUSAN ARLIN

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Sam Slaughter, supported by Scott Elliott to approve the agenda as submitted.
Unanimously carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Sam Slaughter, supported by Mark Brucki to approve the minutes of October 19, 2022 as submitted.
Unanimously carried.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Chairman T.R. Carr briefly gave a report on the Chaldean Chamber of Commerce Bus Tour event that was held to show the organization's participants investment opportunity areas throughout Farmington Hills.

REPORT/UPDATES FROM

1. City Management
 - a. Chairman TR Carr asked for an update on receiving the allocated State funding and architectural plans are for the third floor of The Hawk. Joe Valentine, Assistant City Manager, shared that the Special Services Department will need to evaluate the third floor with their sports facilities assessment which will look at the use of each recreational facility and address revenue and/or expenditure areas. The report is expected to be finalized by late January and may also address the architectural needs of The Hawk's third floor.
 - b. Ken Massey, Council Liaison, included that the importance of this sports facilities report is to have the Special Services Department look at a holistic standpoint due

to the number of financial improvements that need to be accomplished at The Hawk and Costick Center.

- c. Members of the EDC and City staff addressed the topic of square footage and classroom space being designated on the third floor of The Hawk to the incubator; it was recalled that the areas to be used for the innovation center was some of the base laboratory floorplan suggested by Public Sector Consultants. Joe Valentine mentioned that this core space was brought before Council along with the EDC's request to move forward in promoting the innovation center project. Space needed for the innovation center will be based on square footage needed in the first build-out for a potential interested user.
- d. Chairman TR Carr, Sam Slaughter, Lew Cantor, Mark Brucki, and Ken Massey discussed the timeliness of reporting the needed space before Council and brought up that March may be a critical time for those interested in the space.
- e. Joe Valentine and TR Carr suggested to present an update to Council on the incubator effort and ask Council to reaffirm the spaces, and/or square footage, that was provided in the previous report.

2. Economic Development Director

- a. None.

3. Council Liaison

- a. None.

TO RECEIVE CLARIFICATION FROM THE FARMINGTON HILLS CITY COUNCIL ON WHAT LOCATION THE THIRD FLOOR OF THE HAWK WAS INCLUDED IN THEIR APPROVAL FOR THE INNOVATION CENTER PLAN.

Motion by Mark Brucki, supported by Mark Zachos to approve the suggested action item.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes: T.R. CARR, LEWIS CANTOR, MARK BRUCKI, EUNICE JEFFRIES, MARK ZACHOS, SCOTT ELLIOTT, SAM SLAUGHTER

Nays: NONE.

Absent: FRITZ BEIERMEISTER, SUSAN ARLIN

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BUSINESS

None.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Scott Elliott shared information that the former Greenpath Building on 12 Mile Road is for sale.

Eunice Jeffries shared that Oakland Community College is closing their Highland Lakes Southfield location and moving its operations over to the Orchard Ridge Campus in Farmington Hills.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman T.R. Carr at 9:08 a.m.

Minutes Drafted by Cristia Brockway, Economic Development Director