

#### MEETING MINUTES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION JULY 18, 2018 8:00 AM FARMIGNTON HILLS CITY HALL – COMMUNITY ROOM 31555 W. ELEVEN MILE ROAD FARMINGTON HILLS MI 48336

## CALLED TO ORDER BY: CHAIRMAN ANHUT AT 8:05 AM.

# **MEMBERS PRESENT:** ELLIOT BEIERMEISTER HARTSOCK FEAGIN ANHUT ZACHOS (8:13 AM) CANTOR (LATE)

## **MEMBERS ABSENT: SLAUGHTER MARTIN**

## OTHERS PRESENT: Gary Mekjian, Assistant City Manager; Mark Stec, Farmington Hills City Planner

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Motion by Hartsock, support by Elliott, to approve the agenda as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – May 2018:**

Motion by Elliot, support by Beiermeister, to approve the minutes as submitted. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **BUSINESS:**

- <u>Roof Management</u>:
  - President Terry and Vice President John Deichert attended the meeting to give an update on the updates to their building. This has been an on-going three year project that included work on the parking lot, façade, and painting. They are still waiting on the landscaping. They have the awning up with their name on it and a sign on the lawn.
  - Terry said they decorate the building for special events and holidays and John said people driving by thank them for the decorations
- Drakeshire Lanes Improvements:
  - Simon Shearer stated that they are renovating the bowling alley this summer by removing 8 bowling lanes and adding a 3500 square foot, 2 story state of the art laser tag arena, and a 53 game redemption arcade! Unfortunately, this means they will no longer have billiards tables. They are open all summer during construction.
  - They are employing local companies for the work

Chairman Anhut stated that these are great examples of economic retention.

- Update for Mark Stec, City Planner:
  - Mark Stec stated that the Planning Commission met back in June with Botsford. They are now back for a public hearing meeting to amend their PUD plan. There is an old apartment complex on the northeast corner of the property that is currently being used as a construction office. Since there are parking constraints they wish to demolish this building to make way for additional parking, approximately 84 additional spaces. The only foreseeable problem is that building serves as a buffer between the nearby residents and the helicopter pad.
  - Mark gave an update on the Kendallwood Swim Club property. They have a developer that is interested in this property for the construction of 11 units.
  - Mark gave an update on the Thomas Duke who is looking to do a PUD to build an additional 3-story building over by the Century Office building off of Haggerty near 8 Mile.
  - Mark said that there is a vacant property on 8 Mile Rd. that a developer is seeking approval to do an attached multi-family townhome style development.

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- Mark said that 8MBA is presenting a Master Plan for all the communities along 8 Mile Rd.
- o Mark gave an update on Senior Housing and Self-storage Project at 14 Mile and Northwestern.

### CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Motion by Elliott, support by ????, to thank Khalfani Stephens on the job he did for the City and wishing him well in his new job.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Members Zachos and Beiermeister talked about the Connected Vehicle System project going on with Oakland County. A Canadian Company, P3M, is in charge. Ms. Millegan is the CEO and Member Beiermeister was discussing a meeting with her to find out how Farmington Hills could play a role in the testing and development of this project.
- Member Zachos said that he and Member Beiermeister are on track to lay-out something by the end of the year.
- Member Feagin, BOSCH rep, stated that there are people at BOSCH that could provide some insight to this project. They actually have a Smart-Cities department.

#### **BOARD MEMBER'S COMMENTS:**

- Chairman Anhut thanked everyone for their help with the Xemplar Golf outing.
- Member Zachos talked about Harrison HS and if the EDC will contribute to the planning of the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of Harrison HS. Chairman Anhut said they will report back on this at the next meeting.
- Assistant City Manager Gary Mekjian gave an update on the Economic Director vacancy.
- Chairman Anhut said the next EDC meeting is September 19, 2018.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

• None

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

Chairman Anhut adjourned the meeting at 9 AM

Minutes drafted by: Gary Mekjian