

MINUTES
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 16, 2024
CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
COMMUNITY ROOM
31555 W ELEVEN MILE ROAD FARMINGTON
HILLS, MICHIGAN

CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN T.R. CARR AT 8:25 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: T.R. CARR, SCOTT ELLIOTT, MARK ZACHOS, CASSIE CLARK, VIVIANNE ROUSSEAU

ALSO PRESENT: Cristia Brockway, Economic Development Director, John Trafelet, Planning Commission Chairman

EXCUSED: M. Brucki, M. Bridges, F. Beiermeister, E. Jeffries, G. Allen

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Scott Elliott, supported by Vivianne Rousseau to approve the agenda as submitted.
Unanimously carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Mark Zachos, supported by Scott Elliott to approve the minutes of July 17, 2024, as submitted.
Unanimously carried.

APPROVAL OF OFFICERS

Motion by Cassie Clark, supported by Mark Zachos to approve the election of officers.

Scott Elliott to be the Economic Development Corporation Chair.

T.R. Carr to be the Economic Development Corporation Vice Chair.

Mark Zachos to be the Economic Development Corporation Secretary.

Unanimously approved.

BUSINESS

Gary Mekjian provided a report on the upcoming road mileage and the importance of it. Some questions related to private and public roads were asked in regard to city funding. Mr. Mekjian also provided some historical insight on how the road mileage was used some years ago and how it has helped keep roads safe, stabilize property values, attract and retain businesses, and increase the overall attractiveness of the City.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

None.

REPORTS

Gary Mekjian and Cristia Brockway provided an update regarding the ongoing developments within the City. Some questions were asked related to Sheets at 12 Mile Road and Middlebelt as well as the other gas station "remodels" throughout the City. Both responded that Sheets will go before Council as a PUD and some gas stations have put their remodels on hold until the outcome of the Sheets proposal.

Mrs. Brockway also shared her many updates on Economic Development activities happening throughout the City. Some EDC board members inquired about touring the new JST development off 12 Mile Road. Mrs. Brockway will reach out to the reps of JST to see when a new tour date can be made available.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

Mark Zachos inquired on how the EDC could help assist the Economic Development Director in Economic Development efforts and sharing the City's business resources.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:04 a.m.

Unanimously carried.

Minutes Drafted by Cristia Brockway, Economic Development Director