

MEETING MINUTES
BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
DECEMBER 18, 2023
CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS
COMMUNITY ROOM
31555 W ELEVEN MILE ROAD
FARMINGTON HILLS, MICHIGAN

CALLED TO ORDER BY CHAIRMAN KURT BRAUER AT 3:08 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: BRAUER, MEKJIAN, CURRAN, BRICKNER, SKROBOLA, WILKINSON, MEYERS, BOLEWARE

ALSO PRESENT: Cristia Brockway, Economic Development Director, Frances Rose from Edward Rose & Sons, Ken Bullis from Edward Rose & Sons

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Brickner, supported by Wilkinson to approve the agenda as submitted.
Unanimously approved.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Brickner, supported by Boleware to approve the minutes of March 15, 2023, as submitted.
Unanimously approved.

BUSINESS

- a) Chairman Brauer introduced new member Alex Meyers to the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority.
- b) Frances Rose supplied the board with an update regarding the Rose Senior Living project behind the Costic Center. Construction has been near consistent with the project timeline even with supply chain issues during the height of the pandemic.
- c) In addition to the update, Edward Rose & Sons informed the board that they are looking to demolish the “small chapel” within their old plans. The location does not serve any economic purposes for their project any longer. New plans are to replace this building with greenspace.
- d) Steps involved to demolish the small chapel include going to the Farmington Hills Planning Commission to request a change in the Planned Unit Development (PUD) agreement to which it then will have to receive final approval from City Council.
 - a. Planning Commission approved the PUD amendment on December 14, 2023.
- e) George Curran and Jackie Boleware inquired if there is any anticipated hazardous material such as asbestos within the small chapel that may need to be removed. Ken Bullis answered that the location was reviewed and there is no anticipated hazardous material. However, there has not been any construction done to the chapel due to it being currently in use. Because the small chapel was built during the mid to late 90’s,

there is much less of an expectation for it to contain hazardous building materials due to more modern construction safety standards at that time.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

- a) Cristia Brockway discussed the Master Plan Open House held in November. George Curran provided his input regarding the Open House and the vast number of positive changes the City is looking to accomplish. Barry Brickner shared that multi-use along some of the corridors in Farmington Hills will be an important change for Farmington Hills. In order to spur change in certain areas, the need for additional zoning uses will be important.
- b) Chairman Brauer inquired if there were developments interested in using the brownfield incentive for housing projects. Cristia Brockway and Barry Brickner replied that the recent housing projects proposed did not discuss the brownfield incentive, however, some redevelopment projects have brought it up as a financial option.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Brickner, supported by Wilkinson to adjourn the meeting at 4:32 p.m.

Unanimously approved.

Minutes Drafted by Cristia Brockway, Economic Development Director