



REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
801 MICHIGAN AVENUE
LA PORTE, INDIANA 46350

**Redevelopment Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, July 27, 2022
5:15 PM**

A meeting of the City of La Porte Redevelopment Commission ("Commission"), was held at City Hall on Wednesday, July 27, 2022 at the hour of 5:15 PM, ("local time"), pursuant to notice duly given in accordance with the rules of the Commission and the Indiana Open Door Law.

The meeting was called to order by President Brian Chalik at 5:17 PM.

On a call of the roll, the members of the Commission were shown to be present or absent as follows:

Members Present: Mr. Brian Chalik, Mr. JT McDermott, Ms. Jenna Francesconi, and Ms. Betsy Parkison

Members Absent: Mr. Damon Gasaway.

Guests Present: Mr. Bert Cook, Mr. David Heinold, Mr. Nick Minich, Mr. John Smith, and Ms. Amanda Haverstick.

Public Comment: None.

Minutes: A motion was made by JT McDermott to approve the meeting minutes from the regular June 29th, 2022 meeting and seconded by Jenna Francesconi. The motion passed 4-0.

Claims: A motion was made to approve the July 27th, 2022 claims docket by JT McDermott and seconded by Betsy Parkison. The motion passed 4-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Monroe Streetscape Design Update – Nick Minich mentioned that the design is progressing and that the consultants will have more time to finish with delaying construction until next year. He mentioned that the City is working with the Business Improvement District (BID) board members on developing a prototype for the BID.
- B. Clear Lake Greenway Loop Trail and Truesdell Avenue Reconstruction – Nick reported that the project is scheduled for bid letting September 9th and award on October 3rd. The project will be constructed this fall to minimize the impact on Arts in the Park. The project will be phased out this fall and finishing up in the spring 2023.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Hoelocker Bridge Approval Request – Nick explained the VS Engineering Preliminary Engineering Report study for developing the Hoelocker Bridge along with the Clear Lake Greenway Loop Trail. Nick is requesting approval from the RDC for the Preliminary Engineering Report study to VS Engineering in the amount not to exceed \$19,800. JT McDermott made a motion to **approve the**

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and the motion was seconded by Jenna Francesconi. The motion passed (4-0).

OTHER BUSINESS:

- A. Bert explained that he received a Letter of Intent from HRKDE that they would like to acquire a 4-acre parcel within the Dietrich property for a family entertainment center. Bert will provide the letter to City Department Heads for review and come back to the RDC in 30 days. There was some discussion amongst the RDC about the request.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, JT McDermott moved to adjourn the meeting; Jenna Francesconi seconded the motion. The motion passed 4-0. The meeting adjourned at 5:30 PM.



Brian Chalik, President


JT McDermott, Secretary