



City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall
400 La Crosse Street
La Crosse, WI 54601

Meeting Minutes

Economic Development Commission

Thursday, September 24, 2020

8:30 AM

Video conference via Lifesize

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Call to Order

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Kabat at 8:30am.

Roll Call

David Morrison had left the meeting prior to the vote on Batavian Bank.

Present: 6 - Tim Kabat, Angela Seeger, David Morrison, Debbie McKenney, Martin Gaul, Al Louis

Excused: 1 - Paul Medinger

Approval of Minutes

**A motion was made by Gaul, seconded by Morrison, to approve the minutes.
The motion carried by voice vote.**

Agenda Items:

1. **Introduction to Annie Maloney, Planning Department Intern.**
2. [20-1219](#) Review Draft Ordinance to Amend Chapter 2, Article IX. - Economic Development to Include Sustainability Principles
Attachments: [Draft](#)
[Amendments in the Context of the Municipal Code](#)

*Amendment to resolution:
Change residency requirement for contractors to "shall".
Update 40% of work hours to 40% of work.*

A motion was made by Seeger, seconded by Louis, to approve the resolution as amended.

3. [20-1283](#) Resolution on Housing Renovation Program for Downtown and Washburn Neighborhoods

Attachments: [Resolution](#)
[Staff Report 10.5.2020](#)
[2020 Housing Renovation Guidelines-Downtown Washburn](#)
[Dir Finance Ltr 10.30.2020](#)

A motion was made by McKenney seconded by Gaul to approve the allocation of Tax Increment Financing for the Housing Renovation Program. The motion carried by voice vote.

4. [20-1371](#) Update on plans for resuming loan payments.

Attachments: [Updated Loan Relief Plan Memo.docx](#)

A motion was made by Gaul, seconded by McKenney, to resume loan payments as of October 1, 2020 with updated amortization schedules. The motion carried by voice vote.

5. [20-1372](#) Request from Batavian Building, LLC for modification of Upper Floor Renovation Loan terms.

Attachments: [Batavian Loan Memo.docx](#)

A motion was made by Gaul, seconded by Louis, that this request be APPROVED. The motion carried by voice vote.

6. [20-1373](#) Consideration and possible action on relaunch of the Minority Owned Business Assistance Program.

Attachments: [MOBA Relaunch Memo.docx](#)
[Summary.docx](#)

A motion was made by McKenney, seconded by Seeger, that the relaunch of this program be APPROVED . The motion carried by voice vote.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Gaul, seconded by Louis, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 9:24am.

Notice is further given that members of other governmental bodies may be present at the above scheduled meeting to gather information about a subject over which they have decision-making responsibility.

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