



## LINCOLN PARK ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Minutes of the EDC Regular Meeting  
December 14, 2021

### CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Regular meeting of the EDC held via zoom, called to order by Mayor Tom Karnes at 6:01 pm. A quorum was present.

*Present:* Larry Edge, Gary Eggesfield, Kara Hildebrandt, Mayor Tom Karnes

*Absent:* Rudy Cianfarani, Deborah VanCleave

*Also present:* Assistant Director Timarie Szwed, William Look, Councilman Mike Higgins, Councilwoman Maureen Tobin

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to approve the agenda was made by Mr. Eggesfield, seconded by Mr. Edge. Motion carried unanimously.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve the minutes of the November 9, 2021, EDC Regular Meeting was made by Mr. Eggesfield, seconded by Mr. Edge. Motion carried unanimously.

### APPROVAL OF INVOICES

A motion to approve an invoice from William Look, attorney, dated November 10, 2021 (\$76.50) for legal services was made by Mr. Eggesfield, seconded by Mr. Edge. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion to approve invoices from Beckett&Raeder for the Lincoln Park Southfield Road Corridor Study, October 01, 2021 (\$1,005.30) and November 01, 2021 (\$3,134.16) was made by Mr. Eggesfield, seconded by Mr. Edge. Motion carried unanimously.

### FINANCIAL REPORTS

The Assistant Director presented the November 30, 2021, Financial Reports. Reports were placed on file.

### EDC SMALL BUSINESS LOAN PORTFOLIO REPORT

- **A&R Music:** The Assistant Director presented payment records for A&R Music Small Business Loan. A&R Music is current through November 2021 with payments.
- **Vito's Pizzeria:** The Assistant Director presented payment records for Vito's Pizzeria Small Business Loan. Vito's Pizzeria is current through December 2021 with payments.

### OLD BUSINESS

- **Property Acquisition – 2205-2231 Fort Street**

The Assistant Director stated that the business previously interested in the property at 2231 Fort



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Street is no longer interested, due to the labor shortage. She added that a Tobacco/Smoke Shop is interested in opening in that location.

- **Southfield Road Corridor Study and Plan**

The Assistant Director gave an oral report on the progress of the Southfield Road Corridor Study and Plan. Stakeholder Meetings are completed, though individuals have an opportunity to participate through a link, available on the city's website. Mayor Karnes suggested that the Assistant Director visit businesses in person to increase participation in the Stakeholder Survey.

### NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to discuss.

### OTHER BUSINESS

- **Director's Report**

The Assistant Director had nothing additional to report.

- **Calls to Audience**

- Councilman Higgins asked whether the property at Euclid and Fort Street had been acquired. Mayor Karnes responded, indicating that it had not been. Negotiations have been ongoing.

- **Miscellaneous Matters**

- There is a need to fill empty spots on the EDC Board. Board members were asked to reach out to business associates. Councilman Higgins stated that he gave the Director information for a business owner interested in getting involved with the EDC.

- **Board Comments**

- Mr. Eggesfield asked about progress of the marijuana dispensaries. Councilman Higgins responded, stating that he saw that one of the businesses buildings appear to be finished. The dispensary plans to open in January. Mayor Karnes stated that the other dispensaries' plans had been approved. Mr. Eggesfield also asked about the possibility of a tattoo shop opening at Southfield Road and Fort Street. Mayor Karnes indicated that this was true.

- **Mr. Look, EDC Attorney**, mentioned that there is no indication whether Wayne County will extend the emergency order allowing online meetings. The emergency order is set to expire at the end of 2021.

### MOTION TO ADJOURN

Mr. Eggesfield moved to conclude the meeting, seconded by Mr. Edge. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting was adjourned at 6:30 pm.

**NEXT MEETING**  
**January 11, 2021**  
**6:00 pm**



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*Meeting minutes prepared by Assistant Director Timarie Szwed*

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