MINUTES
Committee on Development and Planning
Wednesday, August 31, 2022 @ 3:30 p.m.
City Council Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER
Council Member Garza called the meeting to order at 3:31 p.m.

PRESENT
Council Member Jeremy Garza, Chair
Council Member Patricia Spitzley, Vice-Chair
Council Member Brian T. Jackson, Member

OTHERS PRESENT
Renee Richmond, Council Administrative Assistant
Lisa Hagen, OCA
Greg Venker, OCA – arrived at 3:32pm
Susan Stachowiak, EDP
Tamera Carter
Bruce Hicks

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MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER SPITZLER TO APPROVE THE AUGUST 10, 2022, MINUTES AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT
No public comment at this time.

Councilmember Garza moved the appointment of Tamera to the front since the other two are reappointments.

Discussion/Action
RESOLUTION – Appointment; Tamera Carter; Business Representative Member Downtown Lansing Inc., Board; Term to Expire 6/30/2026
Councilmember Garza asked Ms. Carter to briefly tell the Committee why she wants to be on the DLI Board.

Greg Venker arrived at 3:32pm

Ms. Carter stated she has been the Branch Manager at Lake Trust CU for several years and see's the impact of downtown. See's that small businesses are in need and the opportunity for revitalization of downtown and loves the community. She added she has lived in Grand Rapids, Chigaco and Detroit and the perception is that Lansing is a small city and wants to change that. Councilmember Spitzley mentioned she is on the board as well and excited to have her. Councilmember Jackson asked where her hometown is, she replied she grew up in GR but moved her and loves it, with her job it is 80% in the community and she enjoys that.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER SPITZLEY TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF TAMERA CARTER TO THE DLI, WITH A TERM TO EXPIRE 6/30/2026. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

<u>RESOLUTION – Reappointment; Katie Alexander; At Large Member of Planning Board; Term to Expire 6/30/2026</u>
No comments or questions by the Committee.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER SPITZLEY TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE REAPPOINTMENT OF KATIE ALEXANDER TO THE PLANNING BOARD WITH A TERM TO EXPIRE 6/30/2026. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

<u>RESOLUTION – Reappointment; Teresa Stokes; Business Owner South Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd Corridor Improvement Authority; Term to Expire 7/31/2026</u>
No comments or questions by the Committee.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER SPITZLEY TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE REAPPOINTMENT OF TERESA STOKES TO THE S. MLK JR. BLVD. CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY BOARD. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

<u>ORDINANCE; Z-1-2022; 109 E Randolph, Rezoning from R-6A Urban Detached Residential to R-AR Residential Adaptive Reuse</u>
Councilmember Garza asked Ms. Stachowiak and Mr. Hicks to tell the Committee what they've learned, Ms. Stachowiak mentioned that it is not owned by the Catholic Diocese of Lansing and Mr. Hicks has been in primary communications with them, but she has viewed the emails. She continued that this has been owned since 1980 by the Convent. Councilmember Garza asked that it currently has 17 beds, but they are asking for 20. Ms. Stachowiak indicated that they have several licenses for 1-6 beds, 7-12, and 13-20. She confirmed they currently have 17 but could have up to 20, adding that two people showed up to the hearing from the church and the property owner adjacent and neither had any objections.

Councilmember Spitzley asked what the parking variance is for, Ms. Stachowiak said this has been granted and there is no parking on one side so would allow this to happen. She added that the church has said because the coming and going of different shifts and visitors the budget is limited and may not get plowed during the winter months when it's needed. Councilmember Spitzley asked if they were not willing to do the maintenance and Ms. Stachowiak confirmed. Councilmember Jackson reminded that during snow emergencies vehicles are supposed to be off the streets so they can be plowed, Mr. Hicks indicated he spoke to the Priest, and they have agreed to allow them in such an event to use their parking lot. Councilmember Spitzley asked how many staff and where would the park the street, Mr. Hicks stated it will vary between day/night but nor more than possibly 4 and confirmed parking. Councilmember Garza had a question on additional public hearings and both Ms. Hagen and Mr. Venker verified that all notices for the previous hearing went out and had opportunity to attend, no additional hearings are required.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER JACKSON TO APPROVE THE ORDINANCE TO REZONE 109 E RANDOLPH FROM R-6A TO R-AR. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

RESOLUTION – SLU-1-2022; Special Land Use for 109 E Randolph for 20-bed state licensed adult foster care, large group home for the aged
No additional comments or questions by the Committee.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER SPITZLEY TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR SLU-1-2022 FOR 109 E RANDOLPH FOR A 20 BED STATE LICENSED ADULT FOSTER CARE, LARGE GROUP HOME FOR THE AGED. MOTION CARRIED 3-0.

DISCUSSION – Fiscal year 2022/2023 Budget Priorities
Councilmember Garza mentioned he didn't believe there were any changes from the previous year, and Councilmember Spitzley said she would look at it and discuss at the next meeting on 9/14/2022.

Other
No other topics of discussion.

Adjourn
Adjourned at 3:47p.m.
Submitted by Renee Richmond
Recording Secretary, Lansing City Council
Approved by the Committee on September 21, 2022