



Andy Schor, Mayor

**S. MLK Corridor Improvement Authority
Board of Director's Monthly Meeting**
Thursday, July 21, 2022 – 1:00 PM

Members Present: Price Dobernack, Teresa Stokes, Don "Moose" Sober, Amanda Defrees

Members Absent: Nikki Soldan (excused)

Facilitator Present: Aurelius Christian (LEDC)

Guests Present: Karl Dorshimer (LEDC)

Public:

Recorded by: Aurelius Christian (LEDC)

Call to Order/ Roll Call

Chair Dobernack called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. Roll call was called by Christian and recorded for public record.

S. MLK Meeting Minutes July 21, 2022 (Action)

MOTION: Sober moved to approve the S.MLK CIA Meeting Minutes from July 21, 2022, as presented. Motion seconded by Stokes.

YEAS: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

S.MLK CIA Development Plan Discussion

Christian provided an overview of the S.MLK CIA Development and Finance Plan and mentioned that minor changes are being made to the executive summary. Christian opened it up for discussion from the board regarding the plan. Dorshimer discussed shaping the plan in a concise manner outlining the problems, methods of finding problems, and the solutions. Dorshimer added that the plan being

approved allows the CIA to capture taxes. Defrees mentioned she was contacted by Derek Braswell regarding an initiative called Electrify Lansing which focuses on installing electric vehicle charging stations throughout Lansing. Further discussion continued around electrical charging along the corridor. Defrees discussed the focus on the metro bowl site and Dobernack added that the city is making an effort to demolish the site. Dorshimer discussed the Brownfield program would work well for the site as it neutralizes the costs of upfront remediation activities. Dobernack discussed bringing in a manufacturer to Logan Square and Dorshimer added that there used to be manufacturers at the site. The consultants that the Lansing Brownfield Redevelopment Authority are working on contracting will assess and provide options for the site. Christian provided an overview of the approval process for the Development & Finance Plan.

Logan Square Update

Christian discussed that the Lansing EDC team received a proposal from a consultant for a redevelopment strategy for Logan Square. Dorshimer outlined the process of the engagement with the consultants. Dorshimer is optimistic that the plan will encourage the property owners to invest. Sober asked the opportunity to buy out the owners, Dorshimer answered that the LBRA has authority to purchase buildings and land. The board expressed their support for allocating \$10,000 received from ARPA funding to help fund the redevelopment strategy for Logan Square. Stokes asked about the Kroger Plaza and competing against potential new developments at Logan Square. Dorshimer added that the economic market analysis will look at the area as well. Defrees discussed ability to assist with housing affordability. Dorshimer discussed voicing ideas and concerns with the consultants.

Other Business

Christian explained that the S.MLK CIA is required to have two informational meetings per year, and with previous meetings being cancelled they would need to reschedule a second meeting for this year.

MOTION: Defrees moved to schedule an informational meeting for November 17, 2022. Motion seconded by Stokes.

YEAS: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Public Comment

None.

Adjournment

Chair Dobernick moved to adjourn the S.MLK Board of Directors Meeting at 1:58 pm.


Price Dobernick
S.MLK CIA, Chair