Andy Schor, Mayor

Lansing Gateway Corridor Improvement Authority
Board of Directors Monthly Meeting
February 20, 2024, 3:00 PM
Lansing Economic Development Corporation
401 S. Washington Sq. Suite 101
Lansing, MI 48933

Members Present: Robert Benstein, Diane Hartwell, Bob Vanarkel

Members Absent: Steve Bohnet, Jo Sinha,

Facilitator Present: Alex Watkins (Lansing EDC), Kahleea Washington (Lansing EDC)

Guests Present: Steven Bezold (City of Lansing Planning Dept.)

Public: Chelsea Dowler (Lansing EDC)

Recorded by: Alex Watkins

Call to Order/ Roll Call Chairman Benstein Calls meeting to order at 3:09 pm, Enough members present for quorum.

Approval of Meeting Minutes – Action
Board approved revised copy of the December and January Meeting Minutes Hartwell motion, Vanarkel seconded.

Projects Discussion

Interactive Map Presentation of Steven Bezold. Presented what a story map is and went over major asset, community organizations. Presented housing, demographic and vacancy units. Hartwell had a zoning question on Corridor for Steven Bezold. Bezold will investigate the property that was discussed and get back with the board.

Washington went over Section II of the Development and Finance Plan. Washington discussed the plan process section, the legal bases of the Plan section, the DF plan schedule, budget and project description, Washington also reviewed the project matrix with the board, and updated the timeline of the DVP being updated. Washinton went over placemaking project, difficulties with getting a location.

Van Arkle mentioned a few local businesses on the corridor for the Façade Improvement Grant. The Board Discussed assisting businesses along the corridor with their portion of the Façade cost with ARPA funding. Will discuss again at next meeting in March.

Vote on Board Offices -ACTION

There was Board discussion that took place, and an opportunity was given for boar members to run for office. It was decided that Board position would remain the same.

Hartwell motion, Vanarkel seconded. Motion approved.

YEAS: 3

NO: 0

Vote on Location and time- ACTION

Discussion on location and vote to keep meeting location the same (3rd Tuesday of the month, 1pm). Location was discussed and voted up to remain at Peckham Corporation.

Hartwell motion, Vanarkel seconded. Motion approved.

YEAS: 3

NO: 0

Other Business

Introduction of Chelsea Dowler, Development Project Coordinator

Watkins showed the Michigan Ave do the avenue website.

Public Comment

Adjournment: Lansing Gateway CIA meeting adjourned to 4:16pm

Hartwell motion, Vanarkel seconded. Motion approved.

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Robert Benstein

Chairman, Lansing Gateway Corridor Improvement Authority