



REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
801 MICHIGAN AVENUE
LA PORTE, INDIANA 46350

**Redevelopment Commission
Regular Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, March 30, 2022
5:15 PM**

A meeting of the City of La Porte Redevelopment Commission ("Commission"), was held at City Hall on Wednesday, March 30, 2022 at the hour of 5:15 PM, ("local time"), pursuant to notice duly given in accordance with the rules of the Commission and the Indiana Open Door Law.

The meeting was called to order by President Brian Chalik at 5:15 PM.

On a call of the roll, the members of the Commission were shown to be present or absent as follows:

Members Present: Mr. Brian Chalik, Ms. Betsy Parkison, and Mr. Damon Gasaway

Members Absent: Ms. Jenna Francesconi and Mr. JT McDermott

Guests Present: Mr. Craig Phillips, Mr. Bert Cook, Mr. Matt Hagenow, and Ms. Amanda Haverstick.

Public Comment: Dakota Euler, 301 Pine Lake Avenue, identified himself as a resident in the 200 Block of Rockwood Street and would like information on how the Truesdell Avenue Reconstruction project will impact the traffic flow on Rockwood Street. Mr. Euler would like to see improvements be made to allow better traffic flow in the neighborhood. He presented a few options for converting Rockwood Street to a one way street with a bikeway.

Minutes: A motion was made by Damon Gasaway to approve the meeting minutes from the regular February 23rd, 2022 meeting and seconded by Betsy Parkison. The motion passed 3-0.

Claims: Mr. Brian Chalik introduced the claim docket items. A motion was made to approve the March 30, 2022 claims docket by Damon Gasaway and seconded by Betsy Parkison. The motion passed 3-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

- A. Monroe Streetscape Design Update – Craig presented an update that now that the contract has been signed there will be a project kickoff meeting on April 13th with involvement from the RDC.
- B. Downtown Parking Study Update – Craig presented an update that the project kickoff meeting will be on April 12th.
- C. Clear Lake Loop/Truesdell Avenue Project Update – Craig presented an update that the City has met with the consultant in developing design plans for the project. Betsy questioned whether the project design will address the concerns from Mr. Euler about Rockwood Street. Craig will check with Nick Minich on how the project would impact Rockwood Street.
- D. Smoothie King Update – Bert Cook explained that the Smoothie King property is set to close and looking forward to constructing the development by the end of summer 2022. Damon questioned

what issues the owner was working through. Bert explained that the owner is looking for a second tenant for the remainder of the property.

NEW BUSINESS:

- A. Infinite Development Request – Bert explained that Infinite Development is looking to develop additional townhomes and office buildings on the remainder of the property along East Shore Parkway across the street from the Healthcare Foundation building. Bert is requesting the Redevelopment Commission to fund an extension of a wastewater line on McClung Road in the amount of \$106,330.68 to serve as a main piece of the incentive for the development. Betsy questioned how far down McClung Road the wastewater line would extend. Bert explained that it is not that far, but Jerry Jackson could provide more information on the extension of the wastewater line. Damon questioned how many townhomes. Bert explained that there will be a total of 26 townhomes in the entire development. Betsy Parkison made a motion to **approve the request not to exceed \$106,331 to extend wastewater infrastructure related to the Infinite Development project** and the motion was seconded by Damon Gasaway. The motion passed 3-0.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- A. Damon questioned if there are any updates on the Don George Ford property. Craig explained that it is the intention of the City to release a Request for Proposals later this spring. Bert explained that Matt Hagenow is working with two developers on each Boyd Boulevard parcel and is moving forward.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, Damon Gasaway moved to adjourn the meeting; Betsy Parkison seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0. The meeting adjourned at 5:32 PM.



Brian Chalik, President



JT McDermott, Secretary