



RIVERFRONT DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

1315 S. Washington Avenue
Council Chambers – Room 205
989.399.1311
January 14, 2025
MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:

Chair Fischer called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Present: Abraham Allen, Martin Chelekis, Carrie Davis, Mark Fischer, Steve Hensley, John Moton, Vee Murugan, Tim Morales, Robert Gollin
Absent: Erin Andrus, Aaron Bedford, Mike Hanley, Brian John Humphreys, Keenan-Lechel, Travis Hare

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Moved by Commissioner Allen, seconded by Commissioner Moton to approve the September 10, October 8, and November 12, 2024 minutes. Motion approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None.

Commissioner Andrus entered the meeting at 5:05 p.m.

CHAIR REPORT:

None.

REPORTS:

• **SVRC ENHANCEMENT PROJECT**

Commissioner Andrus reported that the donor plaques will be finalized if no other fundraising is to be conducted and thank you letters will be sent.

• **SAGINAW VALLEY RAIL TRAIL**

No report.

• **CITY MANAGER**

Manager Morales reported the following:

- A grant has been applied for in regard to the Iron Belle Trail restoration.
- A bid is out for the stage restoration on Ojibway Island.
- The former Captain Cove building has been demolished, and some elements were preserved for history.
- The parking garage for the condos is close to completion.

• **DDA/Old Town**

Commissioner Hensley reported that façade grants have been expended for the year and the last one was awarded at the November meeting. Special events funding still has a balance that will likely be expended in the spring. He reported

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that the Match on Main grants are becoming more competitive as more communities become redevelopment ready.

- **RIVERFRONT LOOP**

No report.

- **BEAUTIFICATION DAY**

No report.

- **MISCELLANEOUS**

Moved by Manager Morales, seconded by Commissioner Andrus to approve the 2025 meeting schedule. Motion approved.

Commissioner Andrus reported that work continues on Les Tincknell's biography for the memorial marker.

ADJOURN:

Moved by Commissioner Moton seconded by Commissioner Andrus to adjourn the meeting at 5:24 p.m.

Recorded by,

Kristine Bolzman, MiPMC/CMC
City Clerk