



## RIVERFRONT DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

1315 S. Washington Avenue  
Morley Building – 1 Tuscola  
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June 17, 2025  
MINUTES

### **CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:**

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

Present: Abraham Allen, Martin Chelekis, John Humphreys, Tim Morales  
Absent: Erin Andrus, Aaron Bedford, Joshua Daniels, Carrie Davis, Mark Fischer, Steve Gerhardt, Steve Hensley, Brian Keenan-Lechel, John Moton, Vee Murugan, Jacinta Seals, Kevin Rooker, Travis Hare, Robert Gollin

A quorum was not present.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Jody Becker was in attendance and introduced herself to the commission.

### **CHAIR REPORT:**

No report.

*Commissioner Andrus entered the meeting at 5:19 p.m.*

### **REPORTS:**

- **SVRC ENHANCEMENT PROJECT**

No report.

- **MEDICAL DIAMOND**

Manager Morales reported that the plans are completed by SCAPE and work continues with Spicer on the bid documents.

- **CITY MANAGER**

Manager Morales reported the following:

- There are development agreements with CMU, SVRC, and private developers in the riverfront and a grant was received from the State for infrastructure work.
- There will be construction of a new building at 107 S. Water Street.
- City Council recently approved a purchase agreement for the Bearinger Building. The developer, River Caddis Development, is attempting to obtain historic building incentives and there is also a Historic District Study being conducted.

- **DDA/Old Town**

Manager Morales reported that the Court Street bridge will soon reopen, however Ezra Rust in front of the Water Treatment plant will remain closed for construction. The parking ramp on Hamilton will likely be closed until the fall.

- **RIVERFRONT LOOP**

Chair Humphreys reported that the River Gazer sculpture has been placed.

- **BEAUTIFICATION DAY**

No report.

- **OJIBWAY ISLAND**

Chair Humphreys reported that members of the commission met with the Ojibway Island committee that was established by Council. He reported that the committee has no decision-making authority, and it will work as an idea generator, with decisions regarding the island being made by Council. Discussion was held on the history of the island.

Manager Morales reported that the rock placement for the shoreline restoration has been completed, and the parking lots will be resurfaced.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

The next meeting is September 16 at 5:00 p.m.

**ADJOURN:**

Chair Humphreys adjourned the meeting at 5:48 p.m.

Recorded by,

Kristine Bolzman  
City Clerk