

City of Beaverton DDA Regular Meeting Minutes

December 9, 2024

The meeting was opened by Lang at 5:15 PM at the Beaverton City Hall

Pledge of Allegiance: Recited by all present

Roll Call:

Present: Christine Gerace, Cindy Trumble, Kurt Grove,
Amy Tenwalde, Michael Martin, Autumn Matthews, Mayor Nau

Lou Stornello (arrived @5:20 PM)

Absent: Kelly Wyrembelski, Scott Govitz

City Staff: City Manager Shannon Sirpilla, City Treasurer Jodie Klamer, Matt Lang

Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes dated November 11, 2024

Motion by Grove, second by Trumble to approve the minutes as written. All voting aye, motion carried.

Financial Reports: Motion by Trumble, second by Tenwalde to approve November financial reports. All voting aye, motion carried.

Old Business:

- **DNR (Porter Street & Ross Street Corner Projects):** Lang stated that there are no updates for the \$255,000 grant.
- **Sparks Grant connector walk update information** connects Gladwin portion into Beaverton. Lang stated they scored the RFP proposal this morning and will have an engineer announced for the \$769,500 grant.
- Land Bank Blight Reduction:** There are no updates.
- **ORD Rural Readiness:** The application was submitted. Lang received confirmation that it was received. This grant is for \$35,000 with no match. The wages of the Director and City Manager are serving as a match for the grant. Results are expected in January. (pre-approved housing)
- **EGLE Environmental Justice Impact:** Currently, there are no updates.
- **MI Neighborhood 1.0:** The city is continuing to work with MSHDA. The goal is to be able to release the applications to the public in early 2025.
- **MI Neighborhood 2.0:** Lang stated that we haven't heard back on this grant.
- **Upcoming Grants:** no updates at this time
- **DDA Owned Property Updates:**
- **Huntington Bank Parking Lot Update:** The purchase agreement is signed, and the assessor is working on the split. We are waiting for Huntington Bank to get a date for the closing.
- **Santa's Light Crew 2024 Updates:** Motion by Stornello, second by Martin to pay Santa's Light Crew for invoice 2024-56D for \$8,850. All voting,

motion carried. Since this year has had some challenges with the lights, it was suggested to have the board get annual RFP proposals next year.

- **Council approved new DDA member Autumn Matthews**

New Business:

- **Michigan Office of Rural Prosperity DDA match**
- **Payment for Freeman Nursery Flowerpots:** Motion by Tenwalde, second by Matthews to pay Freeman Nursery's partial invoice payment of \$3,881.25 for 45 hanging baskets and streetscape pots. All voting aye, motion carried.
- **Council approval pending member James Wyrembelski:** Motion by Tenwalde, second by Gerace to recommend to the Council James Wyrembelski, Gem Theater as a DDA member. All voting aye, motion carried.
- **Director Updates:** See attached report

Communications:

Gerace reported that the Gladwin Conservation District will have the canoe race on Memorial Day weekend. Kelly Wyrembelski is resigning from the board. Stornello, T & J Auto needs floor grate fixed in the shop. He is having Layne Mercer work on it during Christmas break. Stornello said he plans on paying for it.

Motion by Grove, second by Tenwalde to adjourn meeting at 6:13 pm.

All voting aye, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted

Jodie Klamer, City Treasurer