

City of Hastings
Downtown Development Authority
DRAFT Meeting Minutes

April 20, 2023

1. Meeting Call to Order and Roll Call—

The meeting was called to order at 8:06 a.m. by Woods

Roll Call –

Present: Baker, Button, Hatfield, Tossava, Ulberg, Woods

Absent: Albrecht, Bolthouse, Wiswell

City Staff and Appointees: King, Merrick, Moyer-Cale,

Others Present: None

2. Pledge to the Flag

Bolthouse joined the meeting at 8:07 a.m.

Albrecht joined the meeting at 8:10 a.m.

3. Approval/Additions/Deletions to Agenda

Woods added the resolution to authorize issuance of bonds for the streetscape project under new business item 9.E.

Motion by Tossava, second by Hatfield to approve the agenda as amended

All ayes, motion carried

4. Approval of Minutes –

Motion by Baker, second by Hatfield, to approve the minutes as presented

All ayes, motion carried

5. Financial Statements & Budget for Review –

King said budget data has been updated through March 31, 2023. City staff continues to work on the FY 23/24 budget. King stated the City Council will have a budget workshop on Monday April 24th at 6:00 p.m.

6. Façade and BEIG Update-

King said there were no changes to the façade spreadsheet. King stated that the BEIG loan for Leonard with a current balance of \$5,645.15 is in default. The owner of the property has passed away and the spouse of the deceased has listed the property with Miller Real Estate. King voiced his concerns that the property may not sell for sufficient funds to pay the BEIG loan balance. King will provide future updates.

7. Open Public Comment and Discussion – None

8. Old Business-

A. Receive Progress Update on Streetscape Project

King updated the progress on the streetscape project. Moyer-Cale provided samples of the brick pavers and accent brick. The board requested a colorized rendering of the streetscape once the design is completed.

9. New Business

A. Sculpture Rehabilitation Budgeted Expenditure Information

King and Merrick outlined the sculptures that have been selected for rehabilitation. The cost of the rehabilitation for the sculptures selected is under the established budget of \$5,000. Staff has submitted a purchase order for rehabilitation work.

B. Review and Consider Façade Grant Request for 144 East State Street in the Total Amount of \$11,000.00.

Motion by Hatfield, second by Button to approve the façade grant as requested.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Albrecht, Baker, Bolthouse, Button, Hatfield, Tossava, Ulberg, Woods

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

C. Review and Consider Façade Grant Request for 148 East State Street in the Total Amount of \$11,000.00.

Motion by Tossava, second by Hatfield to approve the façade grant as requested.

Roll call:

Ayes: Albrecht, Baker, Bolthouse, Button, Hatfield, Tossava, Ulberg, Woods

Nays: None

Motion Carried

D. Review and Consider Resolution Authorizing Issuance of Bonds for the Streetscape Project

Moyer-Cale and King explained the necessity of adopting a resolution authorizing the issuance of bonding for the streetscape project.

Motion by Button, second by Tossava to adopt the resolution to authorize bond issuance for streetscape funding.

Roll Call

Ayes: Ayes: Albrecht, Baker, Bolthouse, Button, Hatfield, Tossava, Ulberg, Woods

Nays: None

Motion Carried

E. Discuss Holiday Street Decorations

King stated that the current inventory of holiday decorations is nearing the end of useful life. King recommended the board consider exploring options for replacing the decorations. The board discussed inviting a representative from Bronner's to explain options and pricing. Board members may also organize a site visit to Bronner's to review options and pricing.

10. DDA Member Comment –

King updated the board on the alleyway next to Baker law that was considered 10 years ago to be opened and enhanced with wayfinding and artistic concepts. King stated that the property owner at Baker Law was seeking substantial compensation for an easement to the property that would increase costs up and above the \$5,000 grant that was available.

11. Open Public Comment and Discussion –

None

12. Adjournment

Motion by Button, second by Tossava, to adjourn

All ayes, motion carried

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 a.m.

Patty Woods, Chair

Deb Button, Secretary