

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
TUESDAY, JANUARY 27, 2015
1:30 P.M., MEETING ROOM A
MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Chuck Daily at 1:33 p.m. in the Municipal Complex, 10025 Bunkum Road, Fairview Heights, IL.

Members in attendance were Chuck Daily, Don Barkley, Karen Kaufhold, Charlie Kassly (arrived at 1:40 p.m.), and Bob Triplett. Director of Economic Development Mike Malloy, City Administrator Jim Snider (arrived at 1:43 p.m.), Director of Finance Scott Borrer, Alderman Pat Baeske, Mayor Gail Mitchell, Randy Pierce, Treasurer Michele Isaacson (arrived at 1:57 p.m.), Marsha Maller (TWM), and Becky Short were also present.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

No comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Huber made a motion to approve the November 25, 2014 minutes. Seconded by Barkley. Roll call on the motion showed Daily, Barkley, Kaufhold, and Triplett voting "Yea." Motion passed 5 yeas.

INFORMATION ON FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS SALES TAX(S) COLLECTION

Scott Borrer updated the commission about the sales tax collection in Fairview Heights. The City is currently down 1.5% from the same time last year. Overall, the City is up 1.3%.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A COST SHARING AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES BETWEEN THE CITY OF FAIRVIEW HEIGHTS (50% - \$28,500) AND ARROWHEAD BUILDING SUPPLY, INC. (50% - \$28,500) TO ALLOW TWM TO PREPARE ENGINEERING PLANS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$57,000 FOR A PROPOSED BUSINESS/INDUSTRIAL PARK ON APPROXIMATELY 38 ACRES FRONTING ILLINOIS ROUTE 161

Discussion was held about the proposed Business/Industrial Park on approximately 38 acres fronting Illinois Route 161. Marsha Maller with TWM was present to answer any questions. Marsha said the engineering drawings would take 2-3 months to finish. One of the lots, 2-3 acres, will be donated to the City and there will also be a walking trail. The City will apply for a grant to connect the MetroLink trail to this trail. The total engineering cost is \$57,000. The only cost for the city is \$28,500. There was discussion about the sewer connections and adding to the agreement, "if Arrowhead does not go through with the project then they would have to pay the city back." Utilities will be put in by Arrowhead. Staff and Arrowhead believe this is a feasible project.

Kassly made a motion to forward approving the cost sharing agreement for professional services between the City of Fairview Heights (50% - \$28,500) and Arrowhead Building Supply, Inc. to allow TWM to prepare engineering plans in the amount of \$57,000 for a proposed business/industrial park on approximately 38 acres fronting Illinois Route 161, and if Arrowhead does not go through with the project, they will have to refund the City to Finance Committee for approval. Seconded by Triplett. Roll call on the motion showed Kassly, Triplett, Kaufhold, Barkley, Baricevic, and Huber voting "Yea." Motion passed on 6 yeas.

STATUS REPORTS

• **ENTERPRISE ZONE**

Staff submitted the Enterprise Zone application to the State on December 29, 2014. There were 67 applications submitted, with 49 spots available. The decision will be made September of this year.

• **TIF #4**

Joint Review Board (JRB) will be February 20, 2015 at 1:00 p.m. with a Public Hearing April 7, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

• **TIF #5**

Joint Review Board (JRB) will be February 20, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. with a Public Hearing April 7, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

• **LINCOLN TRAIL CORRIDOR DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS**

The Lincoln Trail Corridor Development Standards were adopted January 6, 2015. There are 2 businesses that have submitted an application for assistance, Meineke Muffler and Perfect Finish.

STATUS REPORT – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT RELATED ACTIVITIES / JANUARY 5, 2015

Malloy presented the January 5, 2015 status report and noted the former GSA space will be a furniture store in the next 30-60 days.

Huber made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Barkley. Meeting adjourned at 2:43 p.m.

The next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for **Tuesday, February 24, 2015 at 1:30 p.m.** in Meeting Room A, City Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chuck Daily". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Chuck Daily
Chairman

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