

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 2015
1:30 P.M., MEETING ROOM A
MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Chuck Daily at 1:30 p.m. in the Municipal Complex, 10025 Bunkum Road, Fairview Heights, IL.

Members in attendance were Chuck Daily, Don Barkley, Karen Kaufhold, Bob Triplett, and Mayor Gail Mitchell. Director of Economic Development Mike Malloy, Director of Finance Scott Borrer, Director of Land Use & Development Tim Tolliver, Randy Pierce, Treasurer Michele Isaacson, Lisa Peele, and Becky Short were also present.

CITIZENS' COMMENTS

No comments.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Barkley made a motion to approve the January 27, 2015 minutes. Seconded by Kaufhold. Roll call on the motion showed Daily, Barkley, Kaufhold, Mitchell, 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 up 6% from the same time last year. Overall, the City is up 1.8%.

PROJECT REPORTS

- **ENGINEERING PLANS – ARROWHEAD BUSINESS / INDUSTRIAL PARK**
Malloy updated the commission about the Arrowhead Business/Industrial Park. City Council approved the resolution and within the next week to 10 days TWM will have the preliminary plans completed. Businesses have already shown interest in the locations.
- **PROPOSED TIF #4 & #5 PUBLIC HEARINGS, APRIL 7, 2015 / TIF #4 – 6:30 P.M.; TIF #5 – 7:00 P.M.**
Malloy reminded the commission about the public hearings for TIF #4 and TIF #5 being held on April 7th before the City Council meeting.
- **LINCOLN TRAIL STREETScape PROJECT**
Malloy updated the commission about the Lincoln Trail Streetscape project. He said the picture of the phases will have to be modified to add the two pylon signs that will remain where they are at. This item will be on the April 2, 2015 Lincoln Trail TIF Subcommittee agenda.
- **MEINEKE MUFFLER REDEVELOPMENT – LINCOLN TRAIL CORRIDOR DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS**
Meineke Muffler is going to take advantage of the Lincoln Trail Corridor Development Standards and proceed with their project.
- **RFP (REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS) MIXED USE RESIDENTIAL / COMMERCIAL TOD (TRANSIT ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT)**
A committee of Bi-State had a meeting on March 30th and recommended Fairview Heights to sale or lease the 8 acres of Bi-State property to a developer.
- **TOURISM BUREAU ILLINOISOUTH HOTEL/MOTEL FUNDS**
City Council approved \$10,000 of Hotel/Motel funds to give to the Tourism Bureau Illinoisouth. Malloy and the Tourism Bureau negotiated a membership of \$2,500 and the remaining money will go to promotional items.

PROSPECTS

- **FORMER SPORTS AUTHORITY SPACE – ENTERTAINMENT VENUE**
An entertainment venue is looking to go into the former Sports Authority space in Fairview Heights Plaza. They will occupy the full 40,000 square feet.
- **MULTIPLE LOCATIONS – TWO (2) NATIONAL CHAIN RESTAURANTS**

Two national chain restaurants are currently looking at spaces in Fairview Heights. This is still 1 to 2 ½ years out. Malloy will keep the commission updated as he receives information.

- **CROSSROADS CENTRE – GROCERY STORE, NATIONAL RETAILER**

There is a national retailer grocery store looking to occupy the Hobby Lobby space, once Hobby Lobby moves to Fairview City Center.

STATUS REPORT – ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT RELATED ACTIVITIES / MARCH 2, 2015

Malloy presented the March 2, 2015 status report.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:29 p.m.

The next Economic Development Commission meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 28, 2015 at 1:30 p.m. in Meeting Room A, City Hall.

Respectfully submitted,



Chuck Daily
Chairman

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