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TAX INCREMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY
MINUTES

MARCH 24, 2021

THE MEETING OF THE TAX INCREMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:03 P.M., ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24, 2021, BY CHAIRMAN RUFF.

Present: Ball, Garant, LaFore, Ruff, Weinert, Yelencich

Absent: LaFore, Reindel

Others: Director Moore, City Clerk Stagl

Visitors: None

Motion by **Garant**, seconded by **Yelencich**, to excuse Authority Members LaFore and Reindel from tonight's meeting.

All yeas

Motion passes

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by **Yelencich**, seconded by **Garant**, to approve the minutes from February 24, 2021, as presented.

All yeas

Motion passes

APPROVAL OF BILLS

Motion by **Yelencich**, seconded by **Weinert**, to approve the Payroll Expense for February 12th through March 11, 2021 in the amount of \$5,955.78

All yeas

Motion passes

Motion by **Garant**, seconded by **Weinert**, to approve the Schedule of Bills dated February 16th through March 15th, 2021 in the amount of \$11,008.67.

All yeas

Motion passes

CORRESPONDENCE

Revenue and Expense report for February 2021
City Council Meeting Minutes of February 15, 2021
Quarterly Roundtable Meeting Minutes of March 1, 2021
City Council Meeting Minutes of March 1, 2021

Received and Filed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Adopted the Agenda as amended:

Added Item #3 – Consideration of Approving an Estimate for Repairs to the City Hall/Police Post Sign

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

1. Review of Façade Programs

Director Moore briefed the Authority on the Façade Programs that Administration is recommending that we keep for FY2021-22. We currently budget \$80,000 for the façade programs as follows:

- Downtown Revitalization Program award of \$15,000.
- Project Clean-Up Program in the amount of \$65,000
 - 7 projects - \$6,000 each
 - 11 projects - \$2,000 each
 - 1 project - \$1,000

The program provides funding for businesses to maintain their building, especially in our traditional downtown areas.

The EDC is considering opening up the Downtown Revitalization Program to buildings where usage has significantly changed. This change still requires additional discussions and approval.

2. Consideration of Approving an Estimate for a Weed Barrier for the Hike Bike Path

Director Moore informed the Authority that last year repairs were made to the hike bike path. The repairs relocated the path away from trees planted along the path. Even though the trail was moved, we still have tree root issues. The DPS Director spoke with Active Tree and they recommend going with a root barrier product. The root barrier is supposed to last for 15 years.

Motion by **Garant**, seconded by **Ball**, to authorize the quote prepared by Jim Goetzinger in the amount of \$2,505 to have DPW install the root barrier along the shifted portion of the hike bike path.

All yeas

Motion passes

3. Consideration of Approving an Estimate for Repairs to the City Hall/Police Post Sign

Director Moore informed the Authority that the last sign package included updating the City Hall Police Post sign to match the blue style streetscape signs. In addition to updating the sign,

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Administration was asked to get an estimate on repairing the brick work – the top row has deteriorated which is allowing the water to get behind the rest of the bricks and cause the piers to have issues.

Motion by **Weinert**, seconded by **Yelencich**, to approve the quote from Small Time Masonry LLC in the amount of \$1,792 for repairs and installation of limestone caps on the two piers on the City Hall Sign.

All yeas

Motion passes

MISCELLANEOUS MATTER FROM THE DIRECTOR

- The Board of Zoning Appeals have been busy. The City is starting to see some new businesses come into the City.
- An indoor self-storage facility will be coming to Lenox Square
- Saturday, March 27th the Recreation Department will be holding an Easter Event at 10:30 am.

CHAIRMAN AND AUTHORITY MEMBERS

Ruff – Commented on how great the Christmas decorations looked.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by **Ball**, supported by **Garant**, to adjourn the Tax Increment Finance Authority meeting at 7:38 p.m.

All yeas

Motion passes

Respectfully Submitted:

Karen Stagl
City Clerk