HEDRA HASTINGS ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT and REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

The Hastings Economic Development and Redevelopment Authority of the City of Hastings, Minnesota met in a regular meeting on Thursday, September 14, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at Hastings City Hall.

HEDRA Commissioners Present: Goblirsch, Horsch, Johnson, Carter, Fox, and Pemble

HEDRA Commissioners Absent: Anderson

Staff Present: Community Development Director John Hinzman Economic Development Coordinator Alex Menke

I. Quorum

A quorum was established and the meeting was called to order by President Horsch at 6:00 PM with six members present.

II. Minutes

President Horsch asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the regular meeting of August 10, 2023.

Minutes were approved as presented.

III. Bills

Hinzman summarized the bills and pointed out the payments for Stantec Consulting Services for the Confluence, a façade improvement grant, sale of property and conference expenses, and bills from Maker's Market. President Horsch asked if there were questions regarding the bills.

Bills were approved as presented.

IV. Business

A. Resolution #2023-12: Authorize 2024 Economic Development Levy

Hinzman introduced the request to authorize a 0.0185 percent Levy of a Special Benefit Tax. He indicated this would provide an increase in revenue for HEDRA purposes. Hinzman shared this action requires both HEDRA and City Council approval. Hinzman provided a brief description of the budget and included the programs provided.

Commission discussion on the impact of funds if there are no active projects. Hinzman indicated the funds allocated through the levy would be used as this is not the full amount of budget for 2024. Commission discussion on consistency compared to previous years. Hinzman indicated the levy is consistent with past practices.

Commissioner Johnson motioned to authorize the 2024 Economic Development Levy, seconded by Commissioner Fox. Ayes 6; Nays 0. Motion approved.

B. Resolution #2023-13 Façade Improvement Program Grant (214/216 2nd Street East)

Menke provided a summary of the request from Thomas and Vicki Jung for eligible improvements at 214/216 2nd Street East. The request includes linear repair and exterior painting. The cost of the improvements total: \$2,667.45 with a two-to-one matching, the recommendation is \$889.15.

Commission discussion on the impact of the improvements to the buildings and appreciation to the building owner for taking this opportunity to invest in their property.

Commissioner Fox made the motion to approve the resolution, seconded by Commissioner Carter.

V. Reports and Information

A. Development Updates:

Hinzman provided an update on current developments.

VI. Adjourn

A. Commissioner Goblirsch made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:12 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Fox. Motion passed 6-0. Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting: Thursday, October 14, 2023

Respectively Submitted: Emily King