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, December 14, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at Hastings City Hall.

HEDRA Commissioners Present: Goblirsch, Anderson, Carter, Fox, and Pemble

HEDRA Commissioners Absent: Horsch, Johnson

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 Acting President Anderson at 6:00 PM with five members present.

II. Minutes

Acting President Anderson asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes of the regular meeting of November 9, 2023.

Minutes were approved as presented.

III. Bills

Hinzman summarized the bills and pointed out the payments for the Vapor Intrusion Mitigation System along with other billed items. Acting President Anderson asked if there were questions regarding the bills.

Commissioner Fox motioned to approve the resolution, seconded by Commissioner Pemble. Ayes 5; Nays 0. Motion approved.

IV. Business

A. Resolution 2023-15: Façade Improvement Grant (221 Sibley Street)

Menke introduced the request to approve the façade improvement grant for 221 Sibley Street. Menke indicated the request would provide funding to replace windows and fix the current water leaks in the front of the building which is causing damage and mold growth. Menke shared the approval is subject to approval by the Heritage Preservation Commission for replacement standards.

Commission discussion on the type of window replacement. Menke indicated the applicant is working with the Heritage Preservation Commission and City Planner to ensure the replacements are appropriate for the building.

Commissioner Goblirsch motioned to adopt Resolution 2023-15 for a Façade Improvement Grant for 221 Sibley Street, seconded by Commissioner Fox. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motioned approved.

B. Resolution 2023-16: Façade Improvement Grant (214 & 216 2nd Street E)

Menke introduced the request to approve the amendment to the façade improvement grant for 214 & 216 2nd Street E. Menke shared the history of the request for previous approvals in September and the reasoning for the amended request.

No Commission discussion.

Commissioner Carter motioned to adopt Resolution 2023-16 for a Façade Improvement Grant for 221 Sibley Street, seconded by Commissioner Fox. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motioned approved.

C. Resolution 2023-17: Façade Improvement Grant (215 Sibley Street)

Menke introduced the request to approve the façade improvement grant for 215 Sibley Street. Menke shared the funding request will be used to demolish the entire walkway and stairs at the rear of the building. Menke indicated the project does require approval by the Heritage Preservation Commission.

Commission discussion on building requirements for emergencies. Hinzman indicated there is currently a rented unit in the upper level of the building but the unit will no longer be occupied so there will not be a requirement for additional egress. Hinzman shared if the unit would be occupied for residential use again there would be requirements for additional egress at that time. Commission discussion on the future plans for the upper unit.

Commissioner Fox motioned to adopt Resolution 2023-17 for a Façade Improvement Grant for 215 Sibley Street, seconded by Commissioner Pemble. Ayes 5, Nays 0. Motioned approved.

V. Reports and Information

A. Development Updates:

Hinzman provided an update on current developments.

Commissioners expressed appreciation for the work City staff is doing

with the current and upcoming projects throughout the City.

VI. Adjourn

A. Commissioner Goblirsch made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:14 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Fox. Motion passed 5-0. Meeting adjourned.

Next Meeting: Thursday, January 11, 2024

Respectively Submitted: Emily King