

Redevelopment Authority of the City of Stoughton
Wednesday, September 14, @ 6:00 p.m.

The meeting was a hybrid meeting located in the Fire Department training room located at 401 E Main St. as well as concurrently held via Zoom.

Committee members present: Ben Heili (remote), Regina Hirsch (Council member), Pete Manley, David Pluymers and Roger Springman

Members absent: Dale Reeves (Chair) and Lukas Trow (Vice Chair)

Guests present: Katrina Becker, Dave Ehlinger, and Tim Swadley

1. **Call to order** – The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Springman.
2. **Verify quorum is present** – A quorum was present.
3. **Communications** – Heili indicated an open house for the Sustainability Committee will be held at the Chorus House on Wednesday, September 21, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.
4. **Public comments** - None
5. **Approval of minutes from August 10, 2022** – Motion by Manley/Pluymers to approve the minutes as drafted. The motion passed 5-0.
6. **Fiscal updates - Redevelopment Authority fiscal reports August 2022** – Ehlinger provided a recap of the report.
7. **Chair Report** – The report is included with the activity below.
8. **New Business**

a. **Discussion and possible action regarding Stoughton Area School District communication – Attended by school district representative** – Springman indicated that Reeves has not been successful in getting responses from Frank Sullivan on this topic matter. General discussion on the topic occurred.

b. **Discussion and possible action regarding 2023 requested budget for professional services** – Motion by Hirsch/Pluymers to request the following from the City of Stoughton for 2023 budget. The motion passed 5-0.

RDA normal operating budget, including Becker Professional Services	\$15,500
Carryover from 2022 – E Main St plan completion (Becker Professional)	12,000
Design charette services from UW Madison plus related expenditures	5,000
Redevelopment exploration (River Bluff, 101 W Main, Innovation Center	<u>7,500</u>
Subtotal – total expenditures	40,000
Less fund balance applied for carryforward	<u>(12,000)</u>
Total levy request	\$28,000

-Motion by Manley/Pluymers to recommend that the City of Stoughton include the following items for the 2023 General Fund budget for Becker Professional Services. The motion passed 5-0.

Funding strategy for economic development in relation to grant submissions	\$43,200
Business retention and expansion	<u>7,500</u>
General Fund total	\$50,700

Mayor Swadley arrived at 6:54 p.m.

9. Old Business

a. **Discussion and possible action regarding Riverfront Project and contamination findings** – It was indicated that Curt Brink anticipates receiving fiscal estimates by September 23rd. It was

requested that both Curt Brink and Rodney ~~Scheel School~~ be invited to the October ~~12~~ 18, 2022 meeting to discuss this topic.

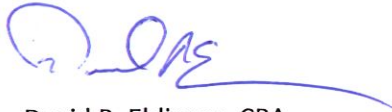
- b. **Discussion and possible action regarding design charrette for downtown area** – Becker indicated they are waiting on the UW Madison student application status to be completed.
- c. **Discussion and possible action regarding Innovation Center** – A strategic planning session of all Innovation Board members is planned for September 17, 2022.
- d. **Discussion and possible action regarding Depot Hill** – It was noted that the Nevermind Saloon has a new owner.
- e. **Discussion and possible action regarding website updates** – None at this time.
- f. **Discussion and possible action regarding East Main Street stakeholder focus group** – It was requested that this topic be deleted from the subsequent agenda

10. Future agenda items

- a. **09/27/2022 5:30 p.m. – Joint meeting with Stoughton Finance Committee to discuss payable balance** – Ehlinger recapped the purpose of the joint meeting. It was requested that the fence security topic be added to the next agenda.

11. Adjourn – Motion by Manley/Hirsch to adjourn at 7:22 p.m. The motion passed 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,



David P. Ehlinger, CPA
Director of Finance/Comptroller