

**MINUTES OF THE
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2011

At a meeting of the **Economic Development Committee**, held Thursday, November 3, 2011, in the Board Room, on the 9th Floor of the Administration Building, Mount Clemens, the following members were present:

Carabelli-Co-Chair, Flynn-Co-Chair, Miller, Mocerri, Sabatini, Smith and Tocco.

Absent and excused was Gralewski.

There being a quorum of the committee present, Co-Chair Carabelli called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

AGENDA

MOTION

A motion was made by Miller, supported by Sabatini, to adopt the agenda, as amended (to include item #8A). **The Motion Carried.**

MINUTES

MOTION

A motion was made by Miller, supported by Sabatini, to approve the October 20, 2011 minutes of this committee, as written. **The Motion Carried.**

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Review of Planning and Economic Development Department Budget

A revised Planning and Economic Development (PED) Department proposed budget was distributed.

Steve Cassin gave a brief update on the five primary focus areas within his department.

He then overviewed the PED Department's proposed budget. He noted that the proposed budget does not reflect the staffing or the budget for the Community Development Block Grant Program, because it is entirely funded from HUD.

During discussion, Co-Chair Carabelli asked for a report on all PED Department grants and timelines. Steve Cassin said he will work with the Executive's Office to prepare the report.

Commissioners Flynn, Mocerri, Sabatini, Miller, Carabelli and Tocco directed numerous inquiries to Steve Cassin and Steve Smigiel on the following:

- Expenditures:
 - Personnel
 - Supplies & Services
 - Contract Services

- Position Type
 - Managers & Supervisors
 - Professional Support
 - Clerical Staff
 - Total Position Count

- Expenditures by Service
 - Administration
 - Economic Development

Additional inquiries consisted of the following: organizations working out of the PED Department to enhance department services, the need to fill the defense position, library savings, absorption of a public relations position that was in the Sheriff's Office that came over to the PED Department and being reflected in the proposed budget, who will be paying for the Literacy Partners Director's salary and the reorganization of the library.

MOTION

A motion was made by Tocco, supported by Sabatini, to receive and file the review of the Planning and Economic Development Department budget. **The Motion Carried.**

Co-Chair Flynn called for the next agenda item.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Quarterly Report by John Bierbusse from Macomb/St. Clair Workforce Development Board

John Bierbusse overviewed the following documents:

- Macomb County Labor Force
- Macomb County Residents Employed
- Macomb County Residents Unemployed & Rate of Unemployment
- Employment Services Registrations
- Exhausted Claims by County of Residence All Programs
- Exhausted Claims by County of Residence Regular UI
- Exhausted Claims by County of Residence EUC
- Exhausted Claims by County of Residence Regular EB
- 2000-2010 Population Change by Age Group in Macomb County
- Distribution of Population by Major Race/Hispanic Origin Category: Macomb County
- Macomb County's Diversity Has Increased Greatly Over the Last Two Decades
- The Employed Population of Macomb County Has Decreased by More than 75,000 Since 1999
- Number of Registrants in 2008, 2009 and 2010 by Zip Code
- Number of Registrants Who Received Training in 2008, 2009 and 2010 by Zip Code
- The Number of Unemployed Increased Fourfold Between 2000 and 2009 – Improvement in 2010
- Income 2000, 2009
- Per Capita Personal Income Has Decreased in All Areas Over the Decade
- Southeast Michigan Leads in Some College and Associates – Behind the Curve on Graduates
- 2011 Macomb/St. Clair Demand Occupations
- Jobs and Innovation Accelerator Challenge

MOTION

A motion was made by Mocerri, supported by Sabatini, to receive and file the quarterly report by John Bierbusse from Macomb/St. Clair Workforce Development Board.

The following commissioner spoke: Flynn.

Co-Chair Flynn called for a vote on the motion and **The Motion Carried.**

UPCOMING EVENTS

MOTION

A motion was made by Mocerri, supported by Sabatini, to receive and file the update on upcoming events. **The Motion Carried.**

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Presentation from Holly Madill, Complete Streets Project Coordinator, Michigan Department of Community Health

Holly Madill introduced Lisa Grost, Healthy Communities Team Lead, Michigan Department of Community Health who accompanied her for today's presentation.

Holly Madill gave a PowerPoint slide presentation entitled "Michigan Complete Streets - Review of Michigan and National Ordinances." Key topics consisted of the following:

- What is Complete Streets?
- Where in Michigan?
- Where in U.S.?
- 10 Complete Streets Principles
- Vision
- Definition
- Connectivity
- Coordination
- Phases
- Exceptions
- Best Practices
- Context Sensitive Solutions
- Performance Indicators
- Implementation

The following commissioner spoke: Mocerri.

MOTION

A motion was made by Smith, supported by Mocerri, to receive and file the presentation from Holly Madill, Complete Streets Project Coordinator, Michigan Department of Community Health.

The following commissioners spoke: Mocerri and Flynn.

Co-Chair Flynn acknowledged JohnPaul Rea and Jeff Schroeder from the PED Department who have been working on Complete Streets in the county.

Co-Chair Flynn called for a vote on the motion and **The Motion Carried.**

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

A motion was made by Miller, supported by Mocerri, to adjourn the meeting at 10:28 a.m. **The Motion Carried.**

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Committee Reporter