

**MINUTES OF THE
PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2010

At a meeting of the **Planning and Economic Development Committee**, held Wednesday, September 15, 2010, in the Board Room, on the 9th Floor of the Administration Building, Mount Clemens, the following members were present:

Bruley-Co-Chair, Carabelli-Co-Chair, Accavitti, Brown, Duzyj, D. Flynn, Mijac, Mocerri and Vosburg.

Other Commissioners Also Present:

Crouchman, Doherty and Sprys.

There being a quorum of the committee present, Co-Chair Carabelli called the meeting to order at 10:12 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

AGENDA

Co-Chair Bruley added item #8b – Adopt resolution of intent to bond for the Macomb Trail Project.

Co-Chair Carabelli moved items #7a and #7b to after public participation.

MOTION

A motion was made by Accavitti, supported by Duzyj, to adopt the agenda, as amended (to include items #5A, #5B(a) and #5B(b)). **The Motion Carried.**

MINUTES

MOTION

A motion was made by Vosburg, supported by Mocerri, to approve the August 11, 2010 minutes of this committee, as written. **The Motion Carried.**

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

a) Status Report on Neighborhood Stabilization Program

Mike Rozny gave a PowerPoint presentation that consisted of a one-page outline with the following captions: Summary, Total, Target Community Evaluation Redevelopment, and Budget vs. Actual.

MOTION

A motion was made by Duzyj, supported by Mocerri, to receive and file the status report on the Neighborhood Stabilization Program. **The Motion Carried.**

b) Status Report on Solid Ground

MOTION

A motion was made by Vosburg, supported by Mocerri, to receive and file the monthly report from Solid Ground. **The Motion Carried.**

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY D. FLYNN, SUPPORTED BY MOCERI, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADOPT A RESOLUTION COMMENDING MEXICO ON THE CELEBRATION OF THEIR BICENTENNIAL (OFFERED BY BRULEY).

The following commissioners spoke: Vosburg and Bruley.

Co-Chair Carabelli called for a vote on the motion and **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

ENVIRONMENTAL

a) Authorize to Apply for Brownfield Assessment Grant of \$600,000

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BROWN, SUPPORTED BY VOSBURG, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE THE SUBMITTAL OF A \$600,000 E.P.A. ASSESSMENT GRANT APPLICATION. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

b) Authorize to Apply for Brownfield Revolving Loan Grant of \$1 Million

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BROWN, SUPPORTED BY DUZYJ, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AUTHORIZE THE SUBMITTAL OF A \$1 MILLION BROWNFIELD REVOLVING LOAN FUND GRANT. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- a) Authorize to Enter into Interlocal Agreement with Clinton Township and Mount Clemens to Establish an EB-5 Regional Center

MOTION

A motion was made by Mocerri, supported by Brown, to authorize to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with Mount Clemens and Clinton Township in order to establish a Macomb County EB-5 Regional Center and to authorize \$40,000 from the County's Contingency Fund for this purpose. **Refer to the Budget Committee.**

The following commissioners spoke: Vosburg, Bruley, Carabelli, Brown, Duzyj and D. Flynn.

Commissioner Duzyj noted an error on page 4 of the agreement in that the last sentence incorrectly states the Macomb Orchard Trail Center and it should state the Macomb County EB-5 Regional Center. Jill Smith said the correction would be made.

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

PLANNING

- a) Update on County-wide Trail Plan

John Crumm gave an update on the status of trail projects.

MOTION

A motion was made by Accavitti, supported by Mocerri, to receive and file the September 2010 update on the status of trail projects along the Macomb County 70 mile trail loop. **The Motion Carried.**

After the vote, the following commissioner spoke: Bruley.

- b) Adopt Resolution of Intent to Bond for the Macomb Trail Project

Four handouts were distributed. Additionally, a framed poster board entitled, Macomb County Regional Trail Vision was displayed.

MOTION

A motion was made by Mocerri, supported by D. Flynn, to adopt the Resolution of Intent to Bond for the Macomb Trail Project. **Forward to the Budget Committee.**

The following commissioner spoke: Bruley.

John Axe from Axe & Ecklund, P.C. addressed the committee.

The following commissioners spoke: Carabelli, Duzyj and Vosburg.

Gil Chang addressed the committee.

The following commissioners spoke: Vosburg and Bruley.

Co-Chair Carabelli called for a vote on the motion and **The Motion Carried with Vosburg voting "No."**

ADMINISTRATIVE

- a) Approve Planning and Economic Development Department's 2011 Budget Submittal and Reduction Plan, as Outlined

MOTION

A motion was made by Mocerri, supported by D. Flynn, to approve the Planning and Economic Development Department's 2011 budget submittal and reduction plan. Amount of reduction is \$118,171, as outlined. **Forward to the Budget Committee.**

Steve Cassin overviewed his proposal.

The following commissioner spoke: Vosburg.

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

- b) Rename the Planning and Economic Development Department to the Planning, Economic Development and Research Department and Transfer the Function and Personnel of the Macomb County Reference and Research Center to the Planning, Economic Development and Research Department

MOTION

A motion was made by Mocerri, supported by D. Flynn, to (1) Rename the Planning and Economic Development Department to the Planning, Economic Development and Research Department and (2) Transfer the function and personnel of the Macomb County Reference and Research Center to the Planning, Economic Development and Research Department. **Refer to the Education and Training Committee.**

The following commissioners spoke: Vosburg and D. Flynn.

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

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT EVENTS

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| • September 22 | Business Legal Issues | SBTDC |
| • September 29 | Tax Seminar: Employee & Taxes | SBTDC |
| • October 14 | SBA Financing Roundtable | SBTDC |
| • October 20 | Writing a Business Plan | SBTDC |

MOTION

A motion was made by Mijac, supported by Duzyj, to receive and file the update on economic development events. **The Motion Carried.**

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

A motion was made by Duzyj, supported by Vosburg, to adjourn the meeting at 11:16 a.m. **The Motion Carried.**

Denise M. Jacks
Committee Reporter