

**MINUTES OF THE
PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2010**

At a meeting of the **Planning and Economic Development Committee**, held Wednesday, February 10, 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,
Moceri, Vosburg and Gielegthem (ex-officio).

There being a quorum of the committee present, Co-Chair Carabelli called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

AGENDA

MOTION

A motion was made by Duzyj, supported by Moceri, to adopt the agenda, as amended (to include item #12d). **The Motion Carried.**

MINUTES

MOTION

A motion was made by Moceri, supported by Mijac, to approve the January 13, 2010 minutes of this committee, as written. **The Motion Carried.**

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

a) **Report on Sterling Heights Chrysler Assembly Plant**

Luke Bonner, Economic Development Manager, City of Sterling Heights

Luke Bonner gave a PowerPoint presentation entitled, Sterling Heights - Automotive Strategy Team.

The following commissioners spoke: Gielegthem, Bruley, Vosburg, Duzyj and Carabelli.

MOTION

A motion was made by Vosburg, supported by Brown, to receive and file the report from the Sterling Heights Economic Development Manager regarding the Chrysler Sterling Heights Assembly Plant. **The Motion Carried.**

Co-Chair Carabelli asked to move up agenda item #13a. There were no objections.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION

a) Automation Alley's Global Trade Mission 2010

Noel Nevshehir, Director of International Business Services, Automation Alley
Karen Johnston, Career and Technical Education Specialist, MISD

A copy of the PowerPoint presentation was distributed.

Noel Nevshehir gave a PowerPoint presentation entitled, Automation Alley's Global Trade Mission 2010: Entrepreneurship and Innovation Through Market Diversification.

Karen Johnston spoke about the trade mission event that will be held at the MISD Educational Service Center in Clinton Township on March 25-27, 2010.

MOTION

A motion was made by Vosburg, supported by Mijac, to receive and file the report on Automation Alley's Global Trade Mission 2010.

The following commissioners spoke: Carabelli, Brown and Duzyj.

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

Co-Chair Carabelli moved back to agenda item #6b.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

b) Report on 2009 Investment Summary

A four-page handout entitled, Macomb County Economic Development - 2009 Final Economic Impact Report was distributed.

MOTION

A motion was made by Mijac, supported by Vosburg, to receive and file the 2009 Macomb County Investment Summary Report.

Bob Tess gave an overview of the handout.

The following commissioners spoke: Brown, Carabelli, Mijac and Duzyj.

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

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

- a) Report on Neighborhood Stabilization Program

MOTION

A motion was made by Mijac, supported by Vosburg, to receive and file the report on the Neighborhood Stabilization Program.

The following commissioners spoke: Duzyj and Brown.

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

COMMUNITY PLANNING

- a) Update on Countywide Trail Program

A six-page handout entitled, Trail Program Update was distributed.

MOTION

A motion was made by Brown, supported by Vosburg, to receive and file the report on the Community-wide Trail Program. **The Motion Carried.**

- b) Adoption of Policy for County Transportation Planning

- Macomb County Department of Planning & Economic Development to be the Lead Planning Agency
- Road Commission of Macomb County to be the Lead Contracting Agency

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BROWN, SUPPORTED BY MOCERI, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADOPT THE POLICY FOR COUNTY TRANSPORTATION PLANNING.

The following commissioners spoke: Duzyj, Bruley and Brown.

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

ENVIRONMENTAL

- a) Brownfield Redevelopment for Chesterfield Towne Centre Project

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY VOSBURG, SUPPORTED BY DUZYJ, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONCUR WITH THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE MACOMB COUNTY BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND APPROVE THE BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE CHESTERFIELD TOWNE CENTRE REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT. **THE MOTION CARRIED.**

- b) Resolution on RC&D Council Official Designation

MOTION

A motion was made by D. Flynn, supported by Mocerri, to receive and file the resolution in support of the application for official designation of the Southeast Michigan Resource Conservation and Development Council Area for Program Assistance from USDA.

The following commissioners spoke: Duzyj and Bruley.

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

MARKETING & PROMOTION

- a) Update on Film Macomb

MOTION

A motion was made by Vosburg, supported by Duzyj, to receive and file the report on Film Macomb. **The Motion Carried.**

TOURISM

No report.

ADMINISTRATIVE

- a) Report on Water Resources Economic Development Specialist Position

Co-Chair Bruley gave an overview of the Water Resources Economic Development Specialist position and how the position will be funded. He asked that this position be approved and sent to the Budget Committee.

MOTION

A motion was made by D. Flynn, supported by Mocerri, to approve the position of a Water Resources Economic Development Specialist in the Planning and Economic Development Department. **Forward to the Budget Committee.**

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

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

b) Report on Defense Economic Development Specialist Position

Steve Cassin indicated that a meeting regarding this position is scheduled for tomorrow.

MOTION

A motion was made by Vosburg, supported by Mijac, to receive and file the report on the Defense Economic Development Specialist position.

The following commissioner spoke: Duzyj.

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

c) Approval to Attend Mackinac Policy Conference – June 2-5, 2010

MOTION

A motion was made by Brown, supported by Vosburg, to approve Macomb County Commissioner James Carabelli and Donald Morandini, Deputy Director, Macomb County Planning and Economic Development Department, to attend the Mackinac Policy Conference, June 2-5, 2010. **Forward to the Finance Committee.**

The following commissioners spoke: Mijac, Bruley, Vosburg, Brown and Duzyj.

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

d) Adopt Resolution of Support for Continuance of the Michigan State Fair
(offered by Bruley and Carabelli)

COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION – MOTION

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BROWN, SUPPORTED BY VOSBURG, TO RECOMMEND THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADOPT A RESOLUTION OF SUPPORT FOR CONTINUANCE OF THE MICHIGAN STATE FAIR (**OFFERED BY BRULEY AND CARABELLI**).

The following commissioners spoke: Duzyj, Bruley and Vosburg.

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

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT EVENTS

- February 10 Fundamentals of Starting a Business
- February 17 Writing a Business Plan
- February 24 Fundamentals of Finance
- February 24 Fiscal Fitness for the Growing Business
- March 25-27 Automation Alley – Global Trade Mission 2010

MOTION

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

NEW BUSINESS

Co-Chair Carabelli introduced Lisa Martino, new Media and Technology Assistant in the Board Office.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION

A motion was made by Duzyj, supported by Vosburg, to adjourn the meeting at 11:38 a.m. **The Motion Carried.**

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Committee Reporter