DOWNRIVER COMMUNITY CONFERENCE **REGULAR MEETING** – September 7, 2017

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Present:

Allen Park

Brownstown Twp.

Dearborn

Dearborn Heights Ecorse

Flat Rock Gibraltar

Grosse Ile Twp.

Huron Twp. Lincoln Park Melvindale

River Rouge Riverview

Rockwood Romulus

Southgate Taylor

Trenton

Woodhaven Wyandotte

Mayor William Matakas

Supervisor Andy Linko

Mayor Dan Paletko Mayor Lamar Tidwell

Mayor Jonathan Dropiewski

Mayor Pro-tem Denis Boismier & Mayor Jim Gorris

Supervisor David Glaab

Mayor Tom Karnes

Mayor Pro-Tem Wheeler Marsee

Mayor Michael Bowdler Councilman Elmer Trombley

Mayor Dan Guzzi

Tim Keyes, Economic Development Director

Alternate Jim Wagner, City Administrator

Councilman Dan Duderstadt Alternate Larry Stec, City Clerk

Chair, Mayor Dan Guzzi opened the meeting at 6:11 p.m.

Mayor Guzzi announced that Councilman Dan Duderstadt is retiring from Ford Motor Company and from Woodhaven Council. This is his last meeting and we want to congratulate him for his eight years as a DCC Board member. He is moving to North Carolina to work with the Marine Corps at Camp Lejeune. Everyone congratulated Dan and applauded. Dan Duderstadt thanked Mayor Odette for appointing him. to this Board. He emphasized the great work being done at DCC as a whole with connectivity of twenty communities working together to support the Downriver. He expressed his appreciation to the Board and staff for working together and said he will miss everyone.

Agenda: Motion by Alternate Wagner, supported by Supervisor Glaab, to accept the agenda as presented with two additions (SEMCA Workforce Board Appointment and Downriver for Veterans fundraiser for Hurricane Harvey). The motion passed unanimously.

Minutes: Motion by Mayor Tidwell, supported by Supervisor Glaab, to accept the minutes of the regular board meeting of 5/4/2017 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Executive-Finance Committee Report:

Minutes of 6/29/17; 8/7/17; 8/31/17: Motion by Mayor Dropiewski, supported by Supervisor Glaab, to accept the Executive-Finance Committee minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Budget for FY 2017/2018: Motion by Supervisor Glaab, supported by Mayor Pro-Tem Boismier, to accept the Budget as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

DCC Assessment Dues: Motion by Mayor Pro-Tem Marsee, supported by Mayor Pro-Tem Boismier, to accept the dues as presented, noting no change from the previous year. The motion passed unanimously.

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Executive-Finance Committee Report (continued):

Revised Deficit Elimination Plan: Motion by Mayor Paletko, supported by Mayor Pro-Tem Boismier, to accept the Revised Deficit Elimination as presented (the previous plan that DCC submitted in March 2017 needed to include a projected budget including explanations of how the plan would work, as well as a resolution from our Board of Directors accepting this plan). The motion passed unanimously.

<u>DCC Line of Credit</u>: Motion by Councilman Trombley, supported by Supervisor Glaab, to approve the DCC Line of Credit as presented, and recommended by the Executive-Finance Committee. The motion passed unanimously.

Re-appointments to The Senior Alliance Board: Motion by Mayor Pro-Tem Boismier, supported by Councilman Trombley, to approve the re-appointments of Frank Vaslo and David Ippel for 3-year terms to The Senior Alliance Board of Directors, ending 10/1/2020. The motion passed unanimously.

New Business:

Appointment to the SEMCA Workforce Board: Motion by Supervisor Glaab, supported by Mayor Tidwell, to approve the appointment of Ms. Hannan Deep, Media & Community Relations with Henry Ford Wyandotte Hospital, to the SEMCA Workforce Board. The motion passed unanimously.

Remarks:

Fundraising Effort to support Hurricane Harvey victims: Ann Rudisill, the founder of Downriver For Veterans (DFV), a non-profit organization, distributed a letter to the Board. She is looking to our Downriver communities to support an effort to help the victims of Hurricane Harvey. She was part of the effort after Hurricane Katrina, and discovered support was still needed once all the front-line people were gone. Support needed included personal hygiene products, toiletries, wipes, sanitizer, and trash bags. She has met with Mayor Odette of Woodhaven and has spoken to Mayor Peterson of Wyandotte, who are both interested in supporting. The DFV is hoping to gather donations to fill 3,000 backpacks with various personal items, and will make arrangements for a semi-trailer to deliver these to Texas the end of September. If enough items are gathered, they hope to do another delivery the end of October. She is hoping the fire departments will support drop-off points at the stations.

Moment of Silence for Mario DiSanto: Supervisor Andy Linko asked for a moment of silence recognizing Mario DiSanto, Councilman of Lincoln Park, who passed away recently.

<u>Frank Vaslo</u> expressed his appreciation to the board for reappointing him to The Senior Alliance Board.

Motion by Alternate Stec, supported by Mayor Dropiewski, to adjourn at 6:23 p.m. The motion passed unanimously. Next meeting is scheduled for October 5, 2017.