Present:

Allen Park

Mayor Gail McLeod Brownstown Twp. Supervisor Edward Smith

Dearborn

Dearborn Heights Mariana Hernandez, Chief of Staff **Ecorse** Councilwoman LaTonya Lamb

Flat Rock

Gıbraltar Councilman Cody Dill

Grosse lle Twp.

Huron Twp. Supervisor David A. Glaab

Lincoln Park **Mayor Tom Karnes**

Melvindale

River Rouge Mayor Michael Bowdler Riverview Mayor Andy Swift Rockwood Mayor Dan Guzzi

Romulus Merrie Druyor, TIFA/DDA Director Southgate Dan Marsh, City Administrator

Taylor Mayor Tim Woolley Trenton Mayor Steven Rzeppa

Woodhaven

Wyandotte Mayor Rob DeSana

The meeting was opened by the Chair, Supervisor David A. Glaab at 6:19 p.m., followed by roll call and introductions.

Agenda. Motion by Mayor Guzzi, supported by Alternate Dill, to accept the agenda as presented The motion passed unanimously.

Minutes of 9/8/2022: Motion by Supervisor Smith, supported by Mayor Guzzi, to accept the minutes of the regular board meeting of 9/8/22 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Executive-Finance Committee Report.

Executive-Finance Committee minutes of 9/29/22: Motion by Mayor Swift, supported by Mayor Guzzi, to accept the Executive-Finance Committee minutes of 9/29/22 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

FY 2022/23 Budget: Motion by Mayor Guzzi, supported by Councilwoman Lamb, to approve the FY 2022/23 Budget as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Assessment Dues and Associate Dues: Motion by Mayor McLeod, supported by Mayor Guzzi, to approve the DCC Assessment Dues and Associate Dues for FY 2022/23, noting no change. The motion passed unanimously.

Appoint New Board Treasurer: Motion by Mayor McLeod, supported by Alternate Marsh, to approve the appointment of Mayor Andy Swift of Riverview as the new board treasurer, replacing Supervisor Andrew Linko of Brownstown who retired. The motion passed unanimously.

DCC Open House and 45th Anniversary Celebration: Cari Johnson distributed a memo about the open house and celebration being planned. As DCC is celebrating its 45th Anniversary this year, and 2022 is rapidly drawing to a close, we are proposing an Open House Event in December We are proposing to hold the event on Thursday, December 8th from 4 pm to 7 pm. The multiple purposes of the event will be to commemorate/celebrate DCC's 45th Anniversary, and DMA's 55th

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Open House (continued):

anniversary, educate/re-educate attendees on DCC's mission and programs/services, show DCC's new operating space and introduce/reinforce DCC's new management structure, and raise some unrestricted (non-program) funds for DCC.

The proposed format is an Open House, which will include access/tour of DCC's new operating space; information and tours of each program/services (including DMA teams); refreshments offered at various food stations and a bar area serving soft drinks, beer & wine. We envision having a brief program - around 15 minutes - to introduce special guests, DCC leadership/management and sponsors/donors, and provide a brief summary of recent changes to DCC's operations and facility.

To raise funds, the intent is to tie the Open House to a DCC corporate and community partner sponsorship drive for 2023. Sponsorship opportunity letters would go out ASAP, with varying levels available. Part of the Open House would be the introduction of confirmed sponsors by the date of the event. Sponsorship benefits would include recognition on signage at the entrance to the Boardroom, which could be 'unveiled' at the Open House. (NOTE: this event has been postponed until the Spring of 2023, but sponsor request letters will still be sent out)

New Business.

<u>Board Officers for 2023</u>: Chair Glaab proposed that the current serving officers be approved to serve for one more year. Motion by Mayor Swift, supported by Mayor Rzeppa, to approve the officers serving one more year as follows. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair

Mayor David A. Glaab, Huron Township

Vice Chair Treasurer Mayor Lamar Tidwell, Ecorse Mayor Andy Swift, Riverview

Secretary

Mayor Dan Guzzi, Rockwood

Remarks from the Audience:

<u>Robert Pawlowski</u>: Thanked the DCC's Brownfield Board for approving Southgate's Tower project He believes this effort will be a positive impact for all the Downriver area.

Wayne County Treasurer Eric Sabree gave updates on

<u>Foreclosures</u>, including vacant lots and houses, and some owner-occupied homes – mostly in Detroit. Their auction held in September, grossed \$41 million. They will continue to try to keep foreclosures down and offer the first right of refusal to communities. A flyer on how to avoid foreclosure was available – assistance is available thru <u>www.mihaf michigan gov</u> or call 211, or 313-388-9799.

Sixth Annual Veterans Resource Fair will be held on November 17th from 10am – 2pm. Over 30 vendors and resource providers to help with health care, employment, housing, utility assistance, and more. The event to be hosted by Treasurer Eric Sabree. More information /details were part of the flyer distributed – also for more information, you may call 313-224-5990.

The next DCC Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 1st at 5:00 pm (note the earlier time)

Motion by Mayor Guzzi, supported by Councilwoman Lamb, to adjourn at 6:27 pm. The motion passed unanimously.