

**DOWNRIVER COMMUNITY CONFERENCE
REGULAR MEETING – March 7, 2024**

Item #3 (P.1 of 2)

Present:

Allen Park	Mayor Gail McLeod
Brownstown Twp.	Supervisor Edward Smith
Dearborn	
Dearborn Heights	
Ecorse	Mayor Pro-Tem LaTonya Lamb
Flat Rock	Mayor Steven Beller (??? Larry Dichane)
Gibraltar	Mayor Garrett Shumate
Grosse Ile Twp.	Supervisor Jim Budny
Huron Twp.	Supervisor David A. Glaab
Lincoln Park	
Melvindale	
River Rouge	Karl Laub, Community Development Director
Riverview	Mayor Andy Swift
Rockwood	Mayor Troy Cox
Romulus	Kevin Krause, Director of Community Safety/Dev.
Southgate	Mayor Joseph Kuspa
Taylor	Mayor Tim Woolley
Trenton	Mayor Steven Rzeppa
Woodhaven	Councilwoman Jan Sikes
Wyandotte	Mayor Rob DeSana

The meeting was opened by the Board Chairman, Supervisor David A. Glaab, at 6:37 p.m., followed by roll call and introductions.

Agenda: Motion by Mayor McLeod supported by Mayor Swift, to accept the agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Minutes of 2/1/2024: Motion by Mayor McLeod, supported by Mayor Rzeppa, to accept the minutes of the regular board meeting of 2/1/2024 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

Executive-Finance Committee Report: Chair Glaab reported.

Fiscal Policies: Maria Mancos, Controller, reported. Maria presented the Fiscal Policies (included in the board packet) for review/approval, indicating that approval is required annually. She gave an overview of the policies that were updated/changed. Motion by Supervisor Budny, supported by Mayor Pro-Tem Lamb, the motion passed unanimously.

New Business:

Jazmine Danci listed the updates from Cal Kirchen of Congresswoman Dingell's office, as he was unable to attend the DCC board meeting.

- The three Downriver appropriations this year were for Gibraltar's water main infrastructure; SHUVA funds; and West Jefferson corridor project funds. Cal sent his congrats to the recipients and said they only hope to provide more resources for the Downriver region again. Their work continues.

Dingell's funded community project requests for fiscal year 2024 include the following:

- **\$550,000** for the Downriver Community Conference to reconstruct the Jefferson Avenue corridor
- **\$1,000,000** to replace the City of Gibraltar's watermain infrastructure
- **\$1,800,000** for the reconstruction of Saline's wastewater treatment plant
- **\$959,752** for improvements to the South Huron Valley Utility Authority (SHVUA) wastewater treatment plant

Cal Kirchen (Congresswoman Dingell's Office) update:

- **\$360,000** to rehabilitate the City of Milan's senior center
- **\$500,000** to rebuild the Chelsea Area Fire Authority Fire Facility
- **\$500,000** for improvements to the Village of Manchester wastewater treatment plant
- **\$963,000** for upgrades to Northville Township's emergency communications technology
- **\$1,684,132** for Canton Township to construct a new fire station
- **\$1,666,279** to complete common area infrastructure upgrades in Ypsilanti
- **\$500,000** to improve pedestrian safety signals in Ann Arbor
- **\$850,000** for Dexter Community School District to build a multi-generation community center
- **\$500,000** for reconstruction and improvements to Belleville Road in Van Buren Township
- **\$1,000,000** for the Washtenaw County Road Commission Hewitt Road

Remarks:

- 1) Mayor McLeod requested more reports and current updates from the programs.

The next DCC Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 2nd, 2024, at 6:00pm. (The meeting was later moved to May 9th)

Adjournment: Motion by Mayor McLeod, supported by Mayor Pro-Tem Lamb, to adjourn at 6:42 pm. The motion passed unanimously