



**Proceedings of the Downtown Ironwood Development Authority
Thursday, June 22, 2023**

A regular meeting of the Downtown Ironwood Development Authority (DIDA) was held on Thursday, June 22, 2023 at 8:00 A.M. in the City of Ironwood Commission Chambers

1. Call to Order: Chair Nosal called the meeting to order at 8:03 A.M.
2. Recording of the Roll.

MEMBER	PRESENT		EXCUSED	NOT EXCUSED
	YES	NO		
Cathy Flory	X			
Nancy Korpela, Vice	X			
Kim Corcoran	X			
Robert Alexander	X			
Amy Nosal	X			
Molly Gardner	X			
Ben Thompson	X			
Robbie Sardinha	X			
Bruce Greenhill		X	X	
	8	1	Quorum	

Also, present: Community Development Director, Tom Bergman, and Community Development Assistant, Tim Erickson.

3. Approval of the May 25, 2023 Meeting Minutes:
Motion by Corcoran to approve the meeting minutes. Second by Korpela. Motion carried 8 to 0.
4. Approval of the Agenda:
Motion by Corcoran to approve the amended agenda. Second by Korpela. Motion carried 8 to 0.
5. Citizens wishing to address the Authority on Items on the Agenda (Three-Minute Limit):
Director Meyer would like a dog waste disposal station at Depot Park. The city map has been recently installed on the outside of the depot. A news broadcast station will be live at the depot today. Festival Ironwood is coming in the middle of July. Tourists to the area have been steady and is picking up for the summer. Meyer asked for the DIDA to

do something about weeds in the downtown. Corcoran asked for the parking lots to be spruced up with weed pulling and attention to some of the trees.

6. Citizens wishing to address the Authority on Items not on the Agenda (Three-Minute Limit): None.
7. Receive and place on file the financial report: Director Bergman presented the financial report.

Motion by Korpela to receive and place on file the financial report. Second by Flory. Motion carried 8 to 0.

8. Items for Discussion and Consideration.
 - A. Dog Waste Disposal Stations: Staff will bring this issue up to the City commission. There is consensus to move forward.
 - B. ADA Parking in the Downtown: The ADA locations were recently removed from the downtown as the ADA locations didn't meet the standard. Director Bergman will invite Director DiGiorgio to the next meeting to discuss the rational of removing ADA parking and also to discuss loading zones.
 - C. Discuss and consider Correspondence Policy: The policy memo was presented.

Motion by Flory to approve the correspondence policy. Second by Alexander. Motion carried 8 to 0.

D. First Friday Update:

E. 2023 Goals:

- Update on Downtown Development Plan and TIF: The TIF plan will be adopted sometime next month.
- Downtown wide snow removal: Staff will determine the exact footage of the downtown section that will be prioritized. The DIDA will need to approve the area.
- Downtown Historic Signage: Sandy Sharpe presented the brochure and the proposal. Alexander has a lead on a location for downtown snow dumping.

Motion by Alexander to approve the purchase of printing \$2,500 brochures. Second by Sardinha. Motion carried 8 to 0.

- Downtown Business Communication: No update.

- Public Parking, Bike Racks, Garbage Can locations and Restroom Map: Sardinha has heard from some customers that the downtown needs more garbage cans and bike racks.
- Building vacancies-building inventory: Staff will be doing an inventory of vacant and dilapidated buildings. Some of the buildings may qualify for stabilization funding. The DIDA discussed business retention.
- Downtown Vision Plan as Part of Comprehensive Plan Revision: No update.

9. Other Business: Nosal brought up the vacancies and seats that are up for renewal.

10. Next Meeting: Thursday, June 27, 2023 at 8:00 a.m.

11. Adjournment.

Motion by Flory to adjourn the meeting, second by Korpela. Motion carried 8 to 0.



Cathy Flory

Amy Nosal, Chair



Tim Erickson, Community Development Assistant