



**Proceedings of the Downtown Ironwood Development Authority  
Thursday, August 24, 2023**

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A regular meeting of the Downtown Ironwood Development Authority (DIDA) was held on Thursday, August 24, 2023 at 8:00 A.M. in the Ironwood Memorial Building Women's Club Room.

1. Call to Order: Chair Flory 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			
Vacant				
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Ben Thompson	X			
Robbie Sardinha	X			
Bruce Greenhill		X		
	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Quorum</b>	

Also, present: Community Development Assistant, Tim Erickson.

3. Approval of the July 27, 2023 Meeting Minutes:  
**Motion by Corcoran to approve the meeting minutes. Second by Korpela. Motion carried 6 to 0.**
4. Approval of the Agenda:  
**Motion by Corcoran to approve the agenda. Second by Korpela. Motion carried 6 to 0.**
5. Citizens wishing to address the Authority on Items on the Agenda (Three-Minute Limit):  
 None.
6. Citizens wishing to address the Authority on Items not on the Agenda (Three-Minute Limit):  
 Director Meyer talked about the Jack Frost Festival. The Jack Frost tree has new lights which will be installed at the end of September. Fe Live Life was brought up along

with a Fall Friday Fish Fry Fest. The chamber is moving their website operations. The Chamber will have interns this year.

7. Receive and place on file the financial report: No report.
8. Audience with Jackie Powers, SISU Ski Fest Race Director: Jackie Powers presented before the DIDA and discussed partnering with the DIDA and sponsoring the First Friday in January.
9. Items for Discussion and Consideration.
  - A. Discuss and consider purchasing downtown light pole wreaths: The wreath letter was presented. Staff will review how many were purchased last year and then the DIDA will make a decision.
  - B. Annual Pocket Park & art Park snow shoveling: Staff will receive a quote from 906 Tree Service for 2023/2024 snow shoveling of the pocket park and art park.
  - C. First Friday Update: Erickson gave an update of September First Friday. Flory discussed working closer with the farmers market.
  - D. Depot Park Farmers & Artisans Market: This was discussed in 9C.
  - E. 2023 Goals:
    - Update on Downtown Development Plan and TIF: No update.
    - Downtown wide snow removal: Staff received a quote and will be discussed at the next meeting.
    - Downtown Historic Signage: The historic signs are being installed by volunteers with staff supervision.
    - Downtown Business Communication: Discussion about reaching out to new businesses was discussed.
    - Public Parking, Bike Racks, Garbage Can locations and Restroom Map: No update.
    - Building vacancies-building inventory: Alexander stressed the urgency of prioritizing vacant and deteriorating buildings in the district by focusing on a core area. The building inventory will be updated with full info and will be worked on by staff and reviewed by DIDA.
    - Downtown Vision Plan as Part of Comprehensive Plan Revision: Ideas will be discussed at the next meeting.

10. Other Business: Corcoran asked if the Ironwood Chamber could have a monthly agenda item.

11. Next Meeting: Thursday, September 28, 2023 at 8:00 a.m.

12. Adjournment.

**Motion by Korpela to adjourn the meeting, second by Thompson. Motion carried 6 to 0.**



Cathy Flory, Chair



Tim Erickson, Community Development Assistant