



**Proceedings of the Downtown Ironwood Development Authority
Thursday, February 22, 2024**

A regular meeting of the Downtown Ironwood Development Authority (DIDA) was held on Thursday, February 22, 2024 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 8:00 A.M.
2. Recording of the Roll.

MEMBER	PRESENT		EXCUSED	NOT EXCUSED
	YES	NO		
Cathy Flory	X			
Nancy Korpela	X			
Kim Corcoran	X			
Robert Alexander, Vice	X			
Lynne Wiercinski	X			
Eric Moran	X			
Ben Thompson	X			
Robbie Sardinha	X			
Bruce Greenhill	X			
	9	0	Quorum	

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

3. Approval of the January 25, 2024 Meeting Minutes:
Motion by Alexander to approve the meeting minutes Second by Thompson. Motion carried 8 to 0.
4. Approval of the Agenda:
Motion by Alexander to approve the agenda. Second by Thompson. Motion carried 8 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): None.

7. Receive and place on file the financial report: The financial report and budget will be presented at the next months meeting.

8. Items for Discussion and Consideration.

A. Flower Basket Donation Letter:

Motion by Thompson to approve the flower basket donation letter with changing the requested amount to \$50.00, second by Sardinha. Motion carried 9 to 0.

B. Pocket Park Maintenance Contract: Staff met with the master gardeners who are willing to do planting in the Spring and Summer. A DPW summer employee or volunteer is expected to water and weed the pocket park every week. Corcoran brought up the need for the City to take better care of the City square and sidewalk weed pulling. Asking 4H to help was suggested. Moran brought up the forestry class to help with tree pruning etc.

Motion by Thompson to approve the Pocket Park Maintenance Contract, second by Moran. Motion carried 9 to 0.

C. First Friday Update: Flory talked about porta potty being places at the city square on Friday and Saturday of June. May First Friday ribbon cutting for the Miners Park, bike ride to downtown and a movie at the theatre.

D. Ironwood Chamber of Commerce Update: No update.

E. 2024 Goal Setting (Review Goal with Strategies): The Authority discussed the goals and strategies. Sardinha brought up the need for blighted buildings to address deficiencies. The Authority discussed potentially sending a letter to some of these property owners. The ordinances will be reviewed to see what can be done with hazard locations.

Motion by Thompson to adopt the top eight goals. Second by Korpela. Motion carried 9 to 0.

F. Memorial Day Weekend Event Discussion: The Ironwood Tourism Council is working on a music festival in downtown on Memorial Day weekend. Talking to interested establishments was delegated.

9. Other Business: None.

10. Next Meeting: Thursday, March 28, 2024 at 8:00 a.m.

11. Adjournment.

Motion by Moran to adjourn the meeting, second by Korpela. Motion carried 9 to 0.



Cathy Flory, Chair



Tim Erickson, Community Development Assistant