

# KENDALL COUNTY ILLINOIS

## Economic Development Committee

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Meeting Minutes  
Monday, May 18, 2018

### Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Audra Hendrix at 9:03 a.m.

### Roll Call

Committee Members Present: Chair Audra Hendrix, Lynn Cullick, Scott Gryder  
Committee Members Absent: Matt Kellogg, Elizabeth Flowers

Elected Officials Present: Matthew Prochaska

Staff Present: Andrez Beltran, Economic Development and Special Projects Coordinator

Members of the Public:

Approval of Agenda – Member Gryder made the motion to approve the agenda. It was seconded by Member Cullick. **Approved 3-0.**

Approval of Meeting Minutes – Member Cullick made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from the April 23, 2018 meeting. Seconded by Member Gryder. **Approved 3-0.**

### Committee Business - None

### Updates and Reports

#### *Boulder Hill and Boulder Hill Market*

Mr. Beltran the packet included economic data analysis on Boulder Hill from the 2016 American Community Census. He would continue to work on it. In addition, he stated there are plans for some investment in the area. The Committee was glad to hear the news and get the information.

#### *Lions Club International visit*

Mr. Beltran stated that on May 9, Chairman Gryder and Vice-Chair Cullick attended the Lions Club International Welcoming Ceremony at Timber Creek Lodge. The Board resolution was presented to Lions Club International Chairman Dr. Naresh Aggarwal, First Vice President Gudrun Bjort Yngvadottir, Second Vice President Jung-Yul Choi, and Third Vice President Haynes Townsend. President Aggarwal presented Kendall County with a plaque for its service in economic development to support the community.

The Committee was happy to be able to welcome and participate in the ceremony.

**Member Gryder stepped out of the meeting at 9:15 a.m. As there was no longer a quorum, Chair Audra Hendrix appointed Matthew Prochaska to the Committee for the meeting to make quorum at 9:16 a.m.**

#### *IEDC Course: Real Estate Development and Reuse*

Mr. Beltran stated on May 3 and 4 he attended the IEDC Real Estate Development and Reuse in Madison Wisconsin. The course covered market and site analysis, regulatory and approval processes, financial feasibility, political feasibility, local financing and tools for development,

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brownfield redevelopment, and developer solicitation, selection, and agreements. Mr. Beltran continued that if enough classes were taken he could sit for the Certified Economic Developer certification.

### **Member Gryder returned to the meeting at 9:18 a.m.**

#### *CIP Industrial Summit*

Mr. Beltran stated on April 26 he attended the 15th Annual CIP Industrial Summit. Topics included the current market in the Chicagoland area and competitive advantages for the area. He stated though industrial market absorption has been very good, that is making some nervous as they do not know how long it will last.

The Committee discussed how this new development was good, but also how it interacted with the lessons Mr. Beltran learned at the IEDC course. As Kendall County is mostly greenfield but far from an interstate, most large scale development will happen near Minooka. However, perhaps smaller development or redevelopment could be attracted.

#### *State of the Counties*

Mr. Beltran stated Member Gryder will be giving the annual State of the County at the Metro West luncheon. Member Gryder gave the Committee a brief overview.

#### *UIRVDA*

Mr. Beltran gave the update on UIRVDA's Enterprise Zone. He stated that a further eight areas have been added into the Enterprise Zone. He continued that he acquired the documentation for those place in Kendall.

#### *Economic Indicator Dashboard*

Mr. Beltran gave a brief overview of the FY17Q4 Economic Indicator Dashboard in the packet. He noted several great improvements. The Committee asked Mr. Beltran to look into the trend of business units as they have decreased.

#### *Revolving Fund Loans*

##### *- Monthly Loan Statements*

Mr. Beltran stated all the loan payments were up to date outside of a nine cent shortage that the borrower will make up in the coming month. This excludes the Lucky Dog's loan.

### **Chair's Report**

Chair Hendrix brought forth the idea of having a cooperative program to help promote businesses in the community like a discount or coupon program, or another type of program that gave benefits for visiting multiple Kendall businesses that participated in the program. The Committee liked the idea, and thought of bringing it to the business owners. However, before that, they needed to bring finalize and vote on the idea. Therefore, the Committee set dates for a Special meeting on Tuesday, May 22, 2018 at 9 am to finalize the details of the program.

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In addition to a discount or reward program, the Committee discussed having a large county wide event such as the municipalities put on. The Committee asked staff to look into possible sites for the event to be held.

**Public Comment** – None

**Executive Session** - None

**Adjournment**

At 10:24 a.m., Member Cullick made to adjourn. Member Prochaska seconded. With no objections, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrez P. Beltran  
Economic Development and Special Projects Coordinator