



City of Blaine Anoka County, Minnesota Minutes EDA

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The purpose of the Blaine Economic Development Authority is to increase the City's commercial/industrial tax base, provide employment opportunities, undertake redevelopment to enhance and maintain neighborhood economic stability, and address special needs, such as senior housing. As authorized under Minnesota State statutes, the Blaine City Council also serves as the Blaine Economic Development Authority.

The council chambers will have limited seating, with audience chairs being set up at least six feet apart. There will be an overflow area where the meeting can be watched in the Cloverleaf Farms Room, also with chairs set up at least six feet apart.

Monday, June 20, 2022

Council Chambers

Meeting will take place immediately following the regular Council meeting

1 Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:04PM by President Sanders followed by the Roll Call.

2 Roll Call

PRESENT: President Tim Sanders, Commissioners Wes Hovland, Julie Jeppson, Tom Newland, Richard Paul, and Jess Robertson.

ABSENT: Commissioner Chris Massoglia.

Quorum Present.

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Michelle Wolfe; City Planner Sheila Sellman; Public Works Director Jon Haukaas; Police Chief/Safety Services Manager Brian Podany; Finance Director Joe Huss; and City Clerk Catherine Sorensen.

Present: 5 - Commissioner Jeppson, Commissioner Robertson, Commissioner Paul, Commissioner Hovland, and President Sanders

Absent: 1 - Commissioner Massoglia

3 Minutes

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Approval of the June 6, 2022 EDA Minutes

Attachments: [Unapproved Minutes 060622](#)

Moved by Commissioner Hovland, seconded by Commissioner Robertson, that the Minutes of June 6, 2022, be approved.

Motion adopted unanimously.

Aye 5 - Commissioner Jeppson Commissioner Robertson Commissioner Paul
Commissioner Hovland President Sanders

4 New Business

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Adoption of the 105th Avenue Redevelopment Master Plan

Attachments: [Draft Master Plan](#)

City Planner Sellman stated the 105th Avenue/Radisson Road industrial area has been identified in the 2040 Comprehensive Plan as a priority redevelopment area. It has also been identified as one of the four priority areas by the city council through the visioning process that occurred in early 2021 and is also identified in the "Growth Management" portion of the city's strategic plan. Based on direction from the city council, the city embarked on a visioning/design process for this area to assist in future marketing and development efforts. The industrial area consists mostly of older industrial buildings that have either become antiquated due to their age or have excessive outdoor storage which is not consistent with the vision for the area. The EDA has been active in purchasing property over the last five years and continues to discuss further acquisitions as property becomes available. The National Sports Center (NSC) and Metropolitan Airports Commission (MAC) are also key property owners in this area. Staff commented further on the proposed plans for this area and requested the EDA adopt the 105th Avenue Master Plan.

Commissioner Newland stated this plan was very exciting and he recommended the city promote this plan to the public.

Mayor Sanders agreed noting the redevelopment plans would assist in reshaping the community.

Commissioner Hovland commented on how this plan will benefit both existing and new businesses going forward.

Moved by Commissioner Robertson, seconded by Commissioner Hovland, that Motion No. 22-109, "Adoption of the 105th Avenue Redevelopment Master Plan," be approved.

Motion adopted unanimously.

Aye 5 - Commissioner Jeppson Commissioner Robertson Commissioner Paul
Commissioner Hovland President Sanders

5 Other Business

None.

6 Adjournment

Moved by Commissioner Robertson, seconded by Commissioner Jeppson, to adjourn the meeting at 8:10PM.

Motion adopted unanimously.

**Aye 5 - Commissioner Jeppson Commissioner Robertson Commissioner Paul
 Commissioner Hovland President Sanders**