

BATTLE CREEK LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY

Tuesday, April 16, 2019

An annual meeting of the Battle Creek Local Development Finance Authority held on Tuesday, April 16, 2019 at 4:33 p.m. at the Frederick R. Brydges Customs Cargo Center, BCU Board Room, the following were in attendance: Messrs. Christensen, Davis, McKernan and Mmes. Fleury and White.

Absent were: Mmes. Brutsche and Zator.

Also in attendance were: Messrs. Bowron, Corder, Dearing, Gibson, Mumford, Reid, Sobieralski, Weaver, and Mmes. Hovarter, Jones and Young.

Ms. Fleury called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m. Roll call of attendance was recorded.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION: Mr. Davis moved that the Battle Creek Local Development Finance Authority Board of Directors approve the January 15, 2019 minutes as presented. Mr. McKernan supported motion and it was unanimously approved.

AMEND FY 2018-19 BUDGET

MOTION: Mr. Christensen moved that the Battle Creek Local Development Finance Authority Board of Directors approve the amended FY 2018-19 as presented. Mr. McKernan supported the motion and it was unanimously approved.

APPROVE FY 2019-20 BUDGET

MOTION: Mr. McKernan moved that the Battle Creek Local Development Finance Authority Board of Directors approve the FY 2019-2020 as presented. Mr. Christensen supported the motion and it was unanimously approved.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Mr. Sobieralski stated Rod Christensen's term will expire April 28, 2019.

Re-appointment – The BCLDFA recommends to the City Commission the re-appointment of Rod Christensen for a four-year term.

DISSOLVE THE BCLDFA

Mr. Sobieralski asked Mr. Mumford what happens if we dissolve the BCLDFA? Are we placing the BCLDFA in a position that would inhibit the ability to do things in the future?

Mr. Sobieralski acknowledged that the money would be returned to the taxing jurisdictions. He asked if it would affect precedence of land that has already been purchased outside the BCTIFA District.

Mr. Mumford stated the BCLDFA has two separate areas, the area around the W.K. Kellogg Airport and the area along I-94. If the BCLDFA is terminated, then all future development in those two areas, the taxes would go to the City of Battle Creek. The W.K. Kellogg Airport area is both a BCLDFA and BCTIFA District.

Mr. Sobieralski stated the BCTIFA purchased land outside the BCTIFA District which it is allowed, and there is a precedence. Was having a BCLDFA a mechanism for making that happen? Mr. Mumford stated it was not.

Mr. Mumford stated the BCTIFA made a decision itself to control the entrances “gateways” into the Fort Custer Industrial Park to be an appropriate function for the BCTIFA. The BCTIFA has acquired property outside the Park and areas connected to the Park. If the BCLDFA goes away, the only difference is when the property gets developed, the City of Battle Creek or tax jurisdictions receives the revenue. If the property is purchased and required future infrastructure, the City would need to finance the infrastructure.

Mr. Sobieralski stated that it appears there is value in keeping it.

Mr. Christensen stated that the BCLDFA will go away dollar wise eventually. That is why this is brought up each year during budgets.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No comments were made.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.