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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BOARD
Monday, August 25, 2025
8:00 AM
North Conference Room
Minutes

1) Call to Order, Roll Call

Present:

Chair Timothy Carr – joined remotely (non voting)
Alderman William Gebhardt
Board Member Dennis Engel
Board Member Daniel Gannon
Board Member Michael Kramer
Board Member Tracy Johnson
Board Member Jeff McLean
Board Member Colin Boyd -- **Absent**
Board Member Inge Plautz -- **Absent**

Acting Chair Jeff McLean called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

2) Approval of Meeting Minutes from July 29, 2025

RESULT: **Approved [Unanimous]**
MOVED BY: Board Member Kramer
SECONDED BY: Board Member Engel

AYES:	Gebhardt, Engel, Gannon, Kramer, Johnson, McLean
ABSENT:	Boyd, Plautz

3) Hotel Development Feasibility Contract Award Closed Session

Action

Ald. Gebhardt made a motion to go into closed session.
Board member Johnson seconded the motion.
A voice vote was taken; vote passed (6-0)

The Board met in closed session to discuss the hotel feasibility contracts .

Action

Ald. Gebhardt made a motion to come out of closed session.

Board member Gannon seconded the motion.
A voice vote was taken; vote passed (6-0)

4) Hotel Development Feasibility Contract Award

Action

Board member Johnson made a motion to recommend REVPAR be awarded the contract for the hotel development feasibility study.

Board member Kramer seconded the motion.
A voice vote was taken; vote passed (6-0)

5) Staff Updates

Director Kim Tollefson stated that the Committee of the Whole was presented with the Port Washington Road rezoning modifications and the recommendations from Planning Commission. The Common Council feedback included:

- Set aside the residential discussion so not to delay other decisions as it is controversial and it merits more discussion.
- Split opinion regarding the 3-story, greater massing.
- Address options for non-conformities.
- Staff to meet with property owners to provide them with additional options, create a greater value for their properties and gain their support for the zoning changes.

She commented that Planning Commission has reviewed the zoning changes twice and will recommend changes before year end.

Dir. Tollefson stated that the community survey responses have been received but have not yet been shared with staff, but she hopes to have this information for the Board at the next meeting.

6) Announcements

The Ozaukee Economic Development annual awards and breakfast is scheduled for Tuesday, September 30th. Board members are invited to sit at the city table and this breakfast will take the place of the regularly scheduled EDB September meeting. The next Board meeting will be Tuesday, October 28th at 8:00 a.m.

7) Adjourn

Action

Board member made a motion to adjourn the meeting.
Board member Kramer seconded the motion.
A voice vote was taken; vote passed (6-0)

Respectfully Submitted,
Kim Tollefson
Director of Community Development