

CALL TO ORDER

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof a regular meeting of the Rosemount Port Authority meeting held on May 18, 2021, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 2875 145th Street West and virtually via Zoom.

Chair Freske called the meeting to order with Port Authority Commissioners Droste, Block, Ober, Essler, Weisensel, Wolf in attendance. Staff present included Executive Director Martin, Deputy Director Kienberger, Economic Development Coordinator Van Oss and City Clerk Fasbender.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO AGENDA

Motion by Essler **Second** by Droste

Motion to Adopt the Agenda.

Ayes: 7.

Nays: 0. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Wolf **Second** by Essler

Motion to Approve Consent Agenda

Ayes: Weisensel, Block, Ober, Freske, Essler, Droste, Wolf

Nays: 0. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

5.a. Project Updates

Economic Development Coordinator Eric Van Oss briefly noted a few project updates; staff is working on an Ordinance Amendment for the Business Park Brewery which will allow the brewery to get a liquor license approved. The Israelson property intends to submit final plat in the upcoming month. Summit Dental has submitted plans for the Merchant Property and the Osprey project continues to move forward.

Commissioners discussed the recent Home and Business Expo and believe the expo should continue to be held in March. For next year vendors should park furthest from the entrance.

NEW BUSINESS

6.a. Port Authority Annual Report

Eric Van Oss, Economic Development Coordinator, presented the annual report highlighting projects, accomplishments, and progress made on initiatives between April 2020 and April 2021.

Commissioner Weisensel suggested to present these highlights on our website and to our residents. Commissioners further discussed that a plan should be discussed on how to communicate to residents these highlights.

Mayor Droste commented that it would be helpful to have an annual update in January to show what occurred throughout the year.

6.b. Approval of a Resolution Adopting a Modification to the Development Program for Development District No. 1.

Economic Development Coordinator, Eric Van Oss summarized that staff is working with representatives from Seefried Industrial Properties LLC to develop an industrial logistics facility in the Business Park, i.e. the need to extend Boulder Trail to State Highway 3 to accommodate increased truck traffic and facilitate future development.

Rebecca Kurtz of Ehlers presented a PowerPoint presentation further explaining the potential public financial assistance to facilitate the development project as the project could not move forward without some public assistance to construct the road extension and reimburse the developer for a portion of the ROW costs.

Commissioners Block questioned the timeline for the project and Mr. Van Oss stated the developer is intending to submit plans in June and be operational by spring 2022, employing approximately 60 people.

Motion by Essler **Second** by Block

Motion to Approve a Resolution Adopting a Modification to the Development Program for Development District No. 1

Ayes: Block, Ober, Freske, Essler, Droste, Wolf, Weisensel
Nays: 0. Motion carried.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Chairperson Freske questioned the distribution of the marketing plan for the Biscayne Project and Mr. Van Oss stated the plan will be shown to a wider audience, i.e. developers and retail development. The plans will also be published in the local newspapers. In addition, staff will target specific events where these sites can be highlighted.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

None

REPORTS FROM PORT AUTHORITY COMMISSIONERS

Mayor Droste provided an update on the latest real estate market.

COMMUNITY/AUDIENCE RECOGNITION

None

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Port Authority and upon a motion the meeting by Freske second Essler was unanimously adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Erin Fasbender,
City Clerk