MEMBERS PRESENT: Nathan Bolton; Fritz Brown; Jim Escamilla; Kevan Hess; John MacKenzie; Barb Miller; Bob Miller; Patti Owens; Doug Phillips; Tom Schlueter; Nancy Troff

MEMBERS ABSENT: none

CITY COMMISSIONERS/CITY STAFF PRESENT: Jerome Kisscorni (Assistant City Manager); Marc Hatton (Development Manager); Eric Kemmer (Redevelopment Coordinator); Martin Markos (Executive Assistant); John Kneas (City Attorney)

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 a.m. by Chair Brown

MOTION TO EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS: no members absent

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Ms. Owens moved approval of the agenda; supported by Ms. Troff. Motion approved by voice vote unanimously.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF 21 August 2014: Ms. Troff moved approval of the minutes; supported by Ms. Miller. Motion approved by voice vote unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Approval of the proposed 2015 EDC Budget and recommendation to the City Commission. Mr. Kisscorni provided a line by line overview of the EDC budget, pointing out that there would be an increase in funds that would come back from the general fund due to the LDFA scheduling to end in 2016. Mr. Miller provided information on the SmartZone legislation that was enacted 15 years prior and the effect that has on the LDFA. Mr. Brown questioned if we would start a new program in replacement. Mr. Miller stated that there was an option for the City of Kalamazoo to request an extension of the LDFA. Mr. Kisscorni agreed, but added that the mission of the LDFA was a success and also complete. Mr. Kisscorni continued that there is still a fair balance. Mr. Kisscorni also provided information, line by line, on the EIF budget with no questions from the Board. Mr. Schlueter moved to approve the proposed 2015 EDC Budget and recommendation to the City Commission; Ms. Troff seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously by roll call vote.

COMMUNICATIONS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

None
OLD BUSINESS

None

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None

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None

DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT: 7:38 a.m.

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Martin N. Markos, Recording Secretary

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Fritz Brown, Chair