

**APPROVED MINUTES
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
CITY OF WYOMING, MINNESOTA
FEBRUARY 8, 2021
6:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER:

CALL OF ROLL:

On a Call of the Roll the following members of the Wyoming EDA were present:

EDA Members: Mayor Iverson, Steve Sicheneder, Andrew Buccanero and Alex Bulmer

Also Present: Robb Linwood - City Administrator and Nancy Hoffman – Chisago County HRA/EDA

ABSENT: Schilling and Soule

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

OPEN FORUM:

“An opportunity for members of the public to address the EDA on items not on the current Agenda. Items requiring EDA action maybe deferred to staff for research and future EDA Agendas if appropriate.”

1. Consider approving the minutes of the “Regular Meeting” of the Wyoming, Minnesota City EDA for January 11, 2021

A MOTION WAS MADE BY EDA MEMBER SICHENEDER SECONDED BY EDA MEMBER BUCCANERO TO APPROVE THE “REGULAR MEETING” MINUTES OF THE WYOMING, MINNESOTA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR JANUARY 11, 2021

Voting Aye: Iverson, Buccanero, Bulmer, and Sicheneder

Voting Nay:

Abstain:

SCHEDULED BID LETTINGS: NONE.

SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS: NONE

CONSENT AGENDA:

Items under the “Consent Agenda” will be adopted with one motion; however, council members may request individual items to be pulled from the consent agenda for discussion and action if they choose.

ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS:

COMMUNICATIONS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS

2. To discuss a Housing Trust Fund Ordinance/Policy/Application from the Chisago County HRA/EDA

Nancy Hoffman HRA/EDA Director discussed the ordinance and the policy. She explained that the ordinance was very encompassing, but they felt it was best that it is thorough. The application can more easily revised if necessary. Originally it looked like the state of Minnesota would be matching funds in

these trust funds, but the COVID-19 pandemic hit and that changed everything. The Chisago County HRA/EDA contributed \$150,000 to start the fund. The HRA/EDA has been working on this fund for quite some time on this project. They are asking for support from local EDA's and businesses as well. Chisago County businesses have stated that they need more workforce housing for employees. Funding has been coming in Wyoming from the Wyoming Oak Wood townhomes and they are using some of those funds to help fund the housing trust fund. The EDA asked about how Wyoming median income would affect the use of the funding trust in Wyoming. The EDA suggested that they submit applications for affording homes in Wyoming we may be at a disadvantage in Wyoming due to the average median income, but it is needed around the county.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY EDA MEMBER IVERSON SECONDED BY EDA MEMBER SICHENEDER TO APPROVE THE "LETTER OF SUPPORT FROM THE WYOMING EDA FOR THE CHISAGO COUNTY HRA/EDA HOUSING TRUST FUND, MINNESOTA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR JANUARY 11, 2021

Voting Aye: Iverson, Buccanero, Bulmer, and Sicheneder

Voting Nay:

Abstain:

UPDATES:

Mr. Linwood gave an update to the EDA about Inquiries on the Bingham Property, the city was ranked #22 in the hottest real estate markets in a recent article done by the StarTribune and a new concept plan for a 34 single family villas addition east of Heims Lake Villas.

ADJOURN

A MOTION WAS MADE BY EDA PRESIDENT IVERSON ADJOURNED THE FEBRUARY 8, 2021 "REGULAR MEETING" OF THE WYOMING, MINNESOTA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING AT 6:28PM

Voting Aye: Iverson, Bulmer, Buccanero, and Sicheneder

Voting Nay:

Abstain: