



City of Pleasant Ridge
23925 Woodward Avenue
Pleasant Ridge, Michigan 48069

Regular Downtown Development Authority Meeting
Monday, March 23, 2015

Having been duly publicized, Vice Chairman Laidlaw called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Christensen, Decoster (Arrived at 7:15p), Laidlaw, McAuliffe, McCutcheon, O'Brien, Schlesinger
Also Present: Assistant City Manager Scott Pietrzak; Commissioner Ann Perry
Absent: Bolach, Lenko

Minutes

DDA-2015-1505

Motion by O'Brien, second by McAuliffe that the minutes of the Regular Downtown Development Authority Meeting on Monday, January 26, 2015 be approved.

Adopted: Yeas: O'Brien, McAuliffe, Christensen, Laidlaw, McCutcheon, Schlesinger.
Nays: None.

Public Discussion

(None).

2015 Board Alley Improvement Project update

Assistant City Manager Pietrzak reported that concrete prices have skyrocketed over the past year. Bids have been submitted for the alley project from Devonshire to Eastbound 10 Mile Road, an alternate to the Oxford Boulevard bid, and costs are higher than previous estimates at \$197,221, which includes underground sewer structure. Discussion held. The City is going to look into alternatives in order to reduce the overall costs and should have a better idea in April, and will then bring a proposal to the DDA with a funding request.

Vice Chairman Laidlaw inquired as to how this will affect the 2014-2015 budget, and Pietrzak explained that this alley project would be part of the 2015-2016 budget. Alleys existed before the DDA was established in 1992. The costs may be allocated between the City and DDA. Commissioner Perry added that concrete costs are affecting the entire state as explained in MML's presentation on Proposal 1. Discussion held. McAuliffe asked to have some of the line items in the budget explained and Pietrzak complied.

