

**MEETING OF THE  
DULUTH ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY  
Wednesday, January 23, 2013 - 5:15 p.m.  
Room 303, City Hall**

**MINUTES**

- Call To Order:** The January 23, 2013, meeting of DEDA was called to order by President Monaco at 5:16 p.m.
- Present:** Nancy Aronson Norr, Jay Fosle, Dan Hartman, John Heino, Emily Larson, Don Monaco, Christine Townsend
- Others Present:** Bill Burns, Pat Burns, Joan Christensen, Christopher Eng, Bronwyn Lipinski

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

1. **RESOLUTION 13D-04: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE BUILDING IN DULUTH 2011 CONDITIONAL GRANT AGREEMENT WITH MILLER DWAN FOUNDATION AMBERWING, LLC**

No public comment.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** December 19, 2012. Accept as written. Vote: Unanimous Hartman/Larson (7-0)

**RESOLUTIONS FOR APPROVAL**

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. **RESOLUTION 13D-04: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE BUILDING IN DULUTH 2011 CONDITIONAL GRANT AGREEMENT WITH MILLER DWAN FOUNDATION AMBERWING, LLC**

**Staff:** Eng reported that the original grant agreement only considered construction jobs, and not permanent jobs. This project was completed under estimate. The Business Subsidy law and state law allow inclusion of permanent jobs, so this amendment is to include both construction and permanent jobs in the grant agreement.

**Discussion:** Pat Burns thanked DEDA and reported that they have some newly hired positions, some currently posted jobs, and more positions that administration would like posted and filled to meet patient demand. Some of these positions are high level jobs. The facility was able to more than double the number of children receiving services, and after the current open positions are filled, they will be able to double this number again. They have a waiting list of 62 children waiting to get in, so having the capacity to handle more clients after the new positions are filled will help.

**Vote to Approve Resolution 13D-04:** Passed Heino/Norr (6-0-1) Monaco abstained.

**2. RESOLUTION 13D-01: RESOLUTION ELECTING OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 2013**

**Staff:**

**Discussion:** All officers are willing to keep current positions for another year; Monaco as President, Norr as Vice-President, Townsend as Treasurer and Larson as Secretary.

**Vote to Approve Resolution 13D-01:** Passed Unanimously Heino/Hartman (7-0)

**3. RESOLUTION 13D-02: RESOLUTION ADOPTING A SCHEDULE OF REGULAR MEETING DATES FOR THE YEAR 2013**

**Staff:**

**Discussion:**

**Vote to Approve Resolution 13D-02:** Passed Unanimously Hartman/Townsend (7-0)

**4. RESOLUTION 32D-03: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT TO INSURE CERTAIN DEDA PROPERTY UNDER THE CITY OF DULUTH'S PROPERTY AND BOILER INSURANCE POLICIES IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$16,000**

**Staff:** Eng explained that DEDA will join the City's property blanket policy as we have in the past. The totals include a 5% increase from last year, but thinks it will actually be closer to 3%. This includes the NorShor Theatre, Temple Opera Building and the MRO. Due to plans to sell the NorShor this year to Sherman Associates, the cost should be reduced. AAR has renters and liability insurance for the MRO, but the facility is still owned by DEDA.

**Discussion:**

**Vote to Approve Resolution 13D-03:** Passed Unanimously Norr/Larson (7-0)

**DISCUSSION**

**1. INTERSTATE PARKING UPDATE**

The Interstate discussion is postponed until in February.

**2. DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

A) Eng had an inquiry from St. Scholastica for bond financing for an estimated \$14 million, which would bring \$140,000 in fees to DEDA. Eng asked them to come to the February meeting. Also a possible update to the DEDA bond policy next month.

B) Ken Tally owns the Ramsay III development and is interested in building Ramsay IV, a new housing development in West Duluth. A presentation will be given in February for consideration of TIF 3 dollars. A map of this fourth phase will be provided to

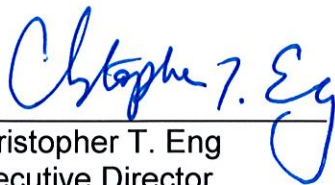
commissioners in advance of the meeting.

- C) The DEDA website is now live at either DuluthEDA.com or DuluthEDA.net. It will eventually be a stand-alone website, but currently coincides with City's website.

Monaco asked if Pier B is on course and Eng said there will be an update next month. Heino referenced a letter to the editor about Pier B and asked if DEDA should address it. Larson wondered if we should respond with our own message. Monaco suggested DEDA step back and let the City handle it because the article was also directed at the City. Fosle suggested that DEDA just ignore it and let it go.

**ADJOURNMENT:** President Monaco adjourned the January 23, 2013 meeting of the DEDA at 5:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Christopher T. Eng  
Executive Director

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