# SPECIAL MEETING OF THE DULUTH ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY Wednesday, December 14, 2016 - 5:15 p.m. LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM, FOURTH FLOOR CITY HALL

### **MINUTES**

Call To Order:

The December 14, 2016 meeting of DEDA was called to order by

President Norr at 5:19 p.m.

Present:

Matt Cartier, Zack Filipovich, Tim McShane, Nancy Aronson Norr,

Barb Russ, Elissa Hansen

**Others Present:** 

Robert Asleson, Joan Christensen, Heather Rand, John Raymos,

Heidi Timm-Bijold

**Absent:** Craig Chilcote

**PUBLIC HEARINGS** 

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: October 26, 2016. Accept per two minor edits suggested by Rand. Vote: Unanimous McShane/Hansen (6-0)

### **NEW BUSINESS**

APPROVAL OF CASH TRANSACTIONS – October 1, 2016 – November 30, 2016

Vote to approve cash transactions: Unanimous Hansen/McShane (6-0)

## **RESOLUTIONS FOR APPROVAL**

1. RESOLUTION 16D-49: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF DULUTH PROVIDING FOR PARTICIPATION BY DEDA IN THE CITY'S SELF-INSURANCE PROGRAM FOR 2017 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,000

**Staff:** Rand recommended approval of this annual expense.

#### Discussion:

Vote to Approve Resolution 16D-49: Passed Unanimously (Filipovich/Hansen 6-0)

2. RESOLUTION 16D-50: RESOLUTION APPROVING A SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT WITH ETOR PROPERTIES LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY TO LEASE PROPERTY IN THE NORTHWEST IRON LOT FOR PUBLIC PARKING PURPOSES

**Staff:** Rand explained that due to the present agreement expiring at year's end, staff recommends approval of amendment extending to full 18 months.

**Discussion:** Cartier asked why 18-month term. Rand explained that over the course of next year there would be considerable discussions occurring related to updating the waterfront, traffic management, and parking and the use of this lot may be slated for change.

Vote to Approve Resolution 16D-50: Passed Unanimously Filipovich/Cartier (6-0)

# **DISCUSSION**

# **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Rand provided updates on Lot D option agreement progress, Pastoret Terrace RFP due date of January 4<sup>th</sup>, the Historic NorShor Theatre construction and she encouraged their participation in the City of Duluth's Imagine Duluth 2035 comprehensive land use plan focus group on economic development initiative in the new year.

**ADJOURNMENT:** President Aronson Norr adjourned the December 14, 2016 special meeting of the DEDA at 5:46 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

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Heather Rand

**Executive Director** 

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