



CITY OF MARINE CITY

Community & Economic Development Board Agenda

260 South Parker Street, Marine City, MI

Wednesday, December 7, 2022 6:00 PM

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ROLL CALL:** Board Members Heather Hatcher, Cheryl Ross; Planning Commission Representative Joseph Moran; City Commissioner Michael Hilferink; TIFA Board Representative Robert Weisenbaugh; Business Representative Cheryl Vercammen; Chamber of Commerce Representative Paul Merchant; City Manager Holly Tatman
4. **COMMUNICATIONS**
5. **APPROVE AGENDA**
6. **PUBLIC COMMENT** *Anyone in attendance is welcome to address the Community & Economic Development Board. Please state name and limit comments to five (5) minutes.*
7. **APPROVE MINUTES**
 - A. October 26, 2022
8. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**
 - A. 300 Broadway
 - B. Discussion: 13 Ways to Kill Your Community
 - C. St. Clair River Boat Dockage
 - D. Lake St. Clair Guide Design Approval
9. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. DNR Spark Grant – Tot Lot and Letter of Support
 - B. DNR Spark Grant – Marine City Beach Restroom and Letter of Support
 - C. Attracting New Business in Marine City
 - D. Cannabis Businesses in Marine City
10. **OPEN DISCUSSION**
11. **ADJOURNMENT**

**City of Marine City
Community and Economic Development Board
October 26, 2022**

A regular scheduled meeting of the Community and Economic Development Board was held on Wednesday, October 26, 2022 at 260 South Parker Street, and was called to order by Chairperson Moran at 6:00 pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairperson Moran.

Present: Planning Commission Representative (Chairperson) Joseph Moran; City Commission Representative Cheryl Vercammen; TIFA Board Representative Bob Weisenbaugh; Board Member Cheryl Ross; City Manager Holly Tatman; Deputy Clerk Michele Goodrich

Absent: Chamber of Commerce Representative Paul Merchant; Board Member Heather Hatcher

Communications

None.

Approve Agenda

Motion by City Commission Representative Vercammen, seconded by Board Member Ross, to approve the Agenda. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Public Comment

None.

Approve Minutes

Motion by Board Member Ross, seconded by City Commission Representative Vercammen, to approve the Community & Economic Development Board minutes of September 28, 2022. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Unfinished Business

300 Broadway

City Manager Tatman informed the Board that the rebranding of the building name had been put on hold in an effort to keep how the building was referenced on previous grant

documents consistent and urged an overall rebranding upon completion of the project. She also advised that she would be meeting with FOCH President Pakledinaz regarding a new website and that the City was working on finding a locksmith to help change out the locks in the building.

13 Ways to Kill Your Community: Number 10 – Reject Everything New

Chairperson Moran stated that as community leaders, the Board needed to be agents of change but they also needed to remember and understand that oftentimes, people are afraid of change. He suggested that City leaders give people ownership over the change process.

City Manager Tatman recommended the Board follow a Facebook page called, “Revitalize, or Die” – it helps people to look at the bigger picture for the greater good of the City.

Tour Boat Guide

City Commission Representative Vercammen informed the Board that there was not much movement or interest in moving a tour boat to the City.

Downtown Mural Plaque Design Approval

The Board worked through how they wanted the mural plaque to read and who they would like acknowledged.

Artwork by Riverview East High School Students, supported by: Blue Water Arts Committee/St. Clair County Community Foundation; Pennie Garwood; Generator-Z/River Rec Teen Zone.

Motion by Board Member Ross, seconded by Chairperson Moran, to approve the wording for the downtown mural plaque design. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Lake St. Clair Guide Design Approval

City Manager Tatman informed the Board that she had not yet received the final design for approval however, word was already getting out about the new Marina.

New Business

Twinkling Forest Registration/Order

Board Member Ross spoke to the Twinkling Forest event that the Chamber was putting on and suggested that the CED Board sponsor a tree.

Motion by Chairperson Moran, seconded by Board Member Ross, to sponsor a 6' tree for the Twinkling Forest Event and two sets of lights. **Roll Call:** Ayes: Moran, Vercammen, Weisenbaugh, Ross. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

St. Clair River Boat Dockage

Chairperson Moran spoke to revisiting the idea of a port at Broadway Park and informed the Board that he would continue pursuing the project.

CED Fund Balance

City Manager Tatman informed the Board that the current fund balance for the CED Board was \$5,333.11, not including the portion currently held with the Chamber for the 2022 Splash Bash Raffle.

November & December Meeting Schedule

The Board discussed the November and December meeting schedule which had meetings falling near the holidays. The Board decided to cancel the November and December meetings and hold one meeting on December 7, 2022.

Motion by Chairperson Moran, seconded by City Commission Representative Vercammen, to cancel the November 23 and December 28 meetings and hold one meeting on December 7, 2022. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Open Discussion

Board Member Ross updated the Board on the Chamber of Commerce Merrytime Christmas event and stated they would like to reach out to business owners with vacant storefronts in an effort to decorate the windows. She also discussed the upcoming Ugly Sweater Christmas Party.

Chairperson Moran informed the Board that he had spoken to the incoming mayor about serving on the CED Board as the City Commission Representative.

Adjournment

Motion by City Commission Representative Vercammen, seconded by Chairperson Moran, to adjourn at 6:42pm. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Goodrich
Deputy Clerk

Shannon Adams
City Clerk

**NEW for 2023!!
FREE PUBLIC
Boat Dockage**



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260 S. Parker Street



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10 Riverfront Parks

Restaurants, Pubs & Bars

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Riverfront Pavilion Rental

Antiques & Apparel

Pride & Heritage Museum

Bakeries & Sweets

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