



CITY OF MANSFIELD

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Meeting Minutes - Draft

City Council - Revitalization of Historic Downtown Mansfield Sub-Committee

Tuesday, April 6, 2021

9:00 AM

City Hall

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Tonore called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Staff present: Joe Smolinski, City Manager; Shelly Lanners, Deputy City Manager; Matt Jones, Assistant City Manager; Troy Lestina, Director of Finance; Nicolette Allen, Assistant to the City Manager/Downtown Coordinator; Susana Marin, City Secretary; Keera Seiger, Assistant City Secretary

Present 3 - Casey Lewis; Tamera Bounds and Todd Tonore

2. CITIZEN COMMENTS

There were no citizen comments.

3. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Follow-up Review, Discussion, and Draft of a Historic Downtown Economic Development Incentive Program

Assistant to the City Manager/Downtown Coordinator Nicolette Allen presented the updated draft of the Historic Downtown Economic Development Incentive Program and answered Sub-Committee questions. There was discussion regarding plan options including the ability for recipients to pick and choose instead of a one-fits-all approach, what would qualify under the incentive program, the cash incentive payment schedule, the sales tax rebate, capital investments, who would be tied to the incentive program between the downtown property owners or those leasing the building from the property owners, the program as a marketing tool, agreement contingencies, and program schedules and deadlines. Assistant City Manager Matt Jones and Director of Finance Troy Lestina answered Sub-Committee questions. The Sub-Committee directed staff to update the draft to present it along with financial information regarding the ability to begin this program in the current FY 2021 budget year to Council at the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting on April 12, 2021.

Matt Jones provided an update regarding the hiring timeline for the Director of Planning position and stated staff is looking to schedule stakeholder input meetings with downtown property and business owners soon, as well as planning to update the zoning in the downtown area in the near future.

A motion was made by Sub-Committee Member Lewis to make a recommendation to Council to approve the Historic Downtown Economic Development Incentive Program. Seconded by Sub-Committee Member Bounds. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Casey Lewis;Tamera Bounds and Todd Tonore

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

4. ADJOURN

Chairman Tonore adjourned the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

ATTEST: Todd Tonore, Chairman

Susana Marin, City Secretary