

**MICHIGAN STRATEGIC FUND
APPROVED MEETING MINUTES
December 7, 2021**

Members Present

Quentin L. Messer, Jr.
Cindy Warner

Members joined remotely

Britany L. Affolter-Caine
Ronald W. Beebe
Susan Corbin
Rachael Eubanks
Paul Gentilozzi
September Hargrove
Michael B. Kapp (on behalf of Director Ajegba)
Charles P. Rothstein
Susan Tellier

I. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Mr. Messer called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. The meeting was held in person in the Lake Michigan Conference Room at the MEDC headquarters building in Lansing with an option to participate virtually via Microsoft Teams.

Mr. Messer introduced Amiee Evans, Chief of Staff, who conducted the attendance roll call. He noted that Katelyn Wilcox Surmann, MSF Board Liaison, is on maternity leave. She recently gave birth and both mother and baby are healthy.

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ms. Evans explained the process for members of the public to participate; there were no public comments.

III. COMMUNICATIONS

Ms. Evans advised Board members that a letter was received from State Representative Laurie Pohutsky in support of the Livonia West Commerce Center 2 Redevelopment project in Livonia; the letter is attached to the minutes.

MSF Subcommittee Reports

*Mr. Messer said the Finance and Investment Subcommittee requested that the Board consider adopting a statement indicating its support of economic development projects in Michigan. Other stakeholders have been engaged on this exercise and would like the Board to consider outlining some parameters for a statement to be released on behalf of the Board and authorize the President of the MSF to finalize that statement on behalf of the Board and in coordination with other stakeholders. A motion is needed to conduct a roll call vote in order to authorize the President of the MSF to finalize a statement and issue that statement on the Board's behalf. Ronald W. Beebe motioned for approval to authorize the President of the MSF to finalize and issue a statement on the Board's behalf. Paul Gentilozzi seconded the motion. **The motion carried: 11 ayes; 0 nays; 0 recused.***

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Britany L. Affolter-Caine, Ronald W. Beebe, Susan Corbin, Rachael Eubanks, Paul Gentilozzi, September Hargrove, Michael B. Kapp (on behalf of Director Ajegba, designation attached), Quentin L. Messer, Jr., Charles P. Rothstein, Susan Tellier, Cindy Warner; Nays: None; Recused: None

Ronald W. Beebe, Chair of the Finance and Investment Subcommittee, thanked members for participating in subcommittee meetings. Various topics have been discussed including MSF financial performance reporting.

Cindy Warner, Chair of the Policy and Planning Subcommittee, said the subcommittee is meeting bi-monthly and she expressed appreciation to the members for their time. The group is making progress on potential recommended changes to the MEDC strategic plan and is moving ahead to come to a consensus on what members would support.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution 2021-148 Approval of Consent Agenda Items

Mr. Messer asked if there were any questions from Board members regarding items under the Consent Agenda. There being none, Britany L. Affolter-Caine motioned for the approval of the following:

- a. Proposed Meeting Minutes: October 26, 2021
- b. Sweetwater Development Partners, LLC – The Leonard: MCRP Loan Amendment – **2021-149**
- c. 3820 West End: MCRP Loan Amendment – **2021-150**
- d. Gemini Capital Management VI, LLC/131 North Mill Street: MCRP Grant Amendment and Guidelines Waiver – **2021-151**
- e. Industry 4.0 Grant Amendments – **2021-152 & 2021-153**

Susan Corbin seconded the motion. **The motion carried: 11 ayes; 0 nays; 0 recused.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Britany L. Affolter-Caine, Ronald W. Beebe, Susan Corbin, Rachael Eubanks, Paul Gentilozzi, September Hargrove, Michael B. Kapp (on behalf of Director Ajegba, designation attached), Quentin L. Messer, Jr., Charles P. Rothstein, Susan Tellier, Cindy Warner; Nays: None; Recused: None

V. ADMINISTRATIVE

Michele Wildman, Senior Vice President of Community Development, provided an overview of the administrative items. The FY 2022 Omnibus Budget included \$100,000,000 in funding for the Community Revitalization and Placemaking (RAP) Program utilizing American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) dollars. The guidelines for the program being considered follow the statutory requirements. She noted that RAP and the Public Gathering Spaces Initiative are placemaking programs that complement each other.

a. **Resolutions 2021-154 & 2021-155 American Rescue Plan Act Revitalization and Placemaking (RAP) Program: Guidelines and Delegation of Authority**

*Lori Mullins, Director of Community Development Incentives, provided the Board with information regarding these action items. The actions involve approval of the RAP program, guidelines, and delegation of authority for the MSF President or the MSF Fund Manager to make all decisions that are necessary and appropriate to administer the program, and the MSF President, the MSF Fund Manager, and the State Treasurer, with any two required to act, to make all decisions with respect to award amounts of \$1,000,000 or less. Following discussion, September Hargrove motioned for the approval of Resolution 2021-154. Michael B. Kapp seconded the motion. **The motion carried: 11 ayes; 0 nays; 0 recused.***

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Britany L. Affolter-Caine, Ronald W. Beebe, Susan Corbin, Rachael Eubanks, Paul Gentilozzi, September Hargrove, Michael B. Kapp (on behalf of Director Ajegba, designation attached), Quentin L. Messer, Jr., Charles P. Rothstein, Susan Tellier, Cindy Warner; Nays: None; Recused: None

Michael B. Kapp then motioned for the approval of Resolution 2021-155. Susan Corbin seconded the motion. **The motion carried: 11 ayes; 0 nays; 0 recused.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Britany L. Affolter-Caine, Ronald W. Beebe, Susan Corbin, Rachael Eubanks, Paul Gentilozzi, September Hargrove, Michael B. Kapp (on behalf of Director Ajegba, designation attached), Quentin L. Messer, Jr., Charles P. Rothstein, Susan Tellier, Cindy Warner; Nays: None; Recused: None

b. **Resolution 2021-156 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program: Public Gathering Spaces Initiative and Allocation of Funds**

Paula Holtz, Senior Community Assistance Team Specialist, provided the Board with information regarding this action item. The action involves approval of a Public Gathering Spaces Initiative and allocation of \$5,000,000 in CDBG funds for the initiative. Following discussion, Quentin L. Messer, Jr. motioned for the approval of Resolution 2021-156. Susan Corbin seconded the motion. **The motion carried: 11 ayes; 0 nays; 0 recused.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Britany L. Affolter-Caine, Ronald W. Beebe, Susan Corbin, Rachael Eubanks, Paul Gentilozzi, September Hargrove, Michael B. Kapp (on behalf of Director Ajegba, designation attached), Quentin L. Messer, Jr., Charles P. Rothstein, Susan Tellier, Cindy Warner; Nays: None; Recused: None

VI. BUSINESS INVESTMENT

a. **Resolution 2021-157 City of Livonia Brownfield Redevelopment Authority: Brownfield Act 381 Work Plan (Livonia West Commerce Center 2 Redevelopment Project)**

Jeremy Webb, Senior Business Development Project Manager, provided the Board with information regarding this action item. The action involves approval of state tax capture capped at \$3,689,531 for Act 381 eligible activities to support a business development project in the City of Livonia. The project is expected to result in total capital investment of \$32,000,000 and the creation of 85 full-time jobs. Following discussion, Ronald W. Beebe motioned for the approval of Resolution 2021-157. Paul Gentilozzi seconded the motion. **The motion carried: 11 ayes; 0 nays; 0 recused.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Britany L. Affolter-Caine, Ronald W. Beebe, Susan Corbin, Rachael Eubanks, Paul Gentilozzi, September Hargrove, Michael B. Kapp (on behalf of Director Ajegba, designation attached), Quentin L. Messer, Jr., Charles P. Rothstein, Susan Tellier, Cindy Warner; Nays: None; Recused: None

b. **Resolution 2021-158 Procurement Technical Assistance Centers (PTACs): FY 2022 Funding Allocations**

Vicki Selva, Executive Director, Michigan Defense Center/Senior Strategic Advisor, provided the Board with information regarding this action item. The action involves approval of grants totaling \$1,275,000 to host organizations to support the operation of PTACs in Michigan. Following discussion, Britany L. Affolter-Caine motioned for the approval of Resolution 2021-158. Susan Corbin and Susan Tellier seconded the motion. **The motion carried: 11 ayes; 0 nays; 0 recused.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Britany L. Affolter-Caine, Ronald W. Beebe, Susan Corbin, Rachael Eubanks, Paul Gentilozzi, September Hargrove, Michael B. Kapp (on behalf of Director Ajegba, designation attached), Quentin L. Messer, Jr., Charles P. Rothstein, Susan Tellier, Cindy Warner; Nays: None; Recused: None

c. **Resolution 2021-159 Kroger Fulfillment Network, LLC: MBDP Reauthorization and Guidelines Waiver**

Matt Chasnis, Business Development Project Manager, provided the Board with information regarding this action item. The action involves reauthorization of a \$1,600,000 Michigan Business Development Program performance-based grant and a waiver of the current MBDP guidelines, effective April 1, 2021, requiring Qualified New Jobs be full-time. The project is expected to result in the creation of 270 new jobs and a capital investment of up to \$94,000,000 in the City of Romulus. Following discussion, Charles P. Rothstein motioned for the approval of Resolution 2021-159. Cindy Warner seconded the motion. **The motion carried: 11 ayes; 0 nays; 0 recused.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Britany L. Affolter-Caine, Ronald W. Beebe, Susan Corbin, Rachael Eubanks, Paul Gentilozzi, September Hargrove, Michael B. Kapp (on behalf of Director Ajegba, designation attached), Quentin L. Messer, Jr., Charles P. Rothstein, Susan Tellier, Cindy Warner; Nays: None; Recused: None

VII. INFORMATIONAL

Mr. Messer noted the MSF delegated authority report for the period October 1 to October 31, 2021, was included in the meeting packet. He asked if there were any questions from Board members regarding the information; there were none.

Mr. Messer adjourned the meeting at 11:25 a.m.



STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
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PAUL AJEGBA
DIRECTOR

February 3, 2020

Ms. Rhonda Bishop
Board Relations Liaison
Michigan Strategic Fund Office
300 N. Washington Square
Lansing, Michigan 48913

Dear Ms. Bishop:

I hereby confirm and ratify my designation of Michael B. Kapp, Administrator, Michigan Department of Transportation, as the person authorized and empowered to act in my stead for Michigan Strategic Fund meetings that I am unable to attend.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paul C. Ajegba".

Paul C. Ajegba, P.E.
Director

cc: M. Kapp
Executive File



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December 7, 2021

Quentin Messer, Jr.
Chairperson
Michigan Strategic Fund Board

Dear Chair Messer,

I write to express my support of the City of Livonia Brownfield Redevelopment Authority's Work Plan for the Livonia West Commerce Center 2 Redevelopment Project. This development will repurpose unused space and enrich Livonia's industry.

This development project would utilize a vacant former General Motors Plant for multitenant warehousing and industrial space. The proposed \$32 million capital investment would provide 185 jobs for the Livonia community. Livonia will benefit greatly from the investment in industry and the further opportunities for enrichment.

The Brownfield Redevelopment plan will also provide much-needed cosmetic changes to the area, making use of vacant space. Livonia will benefit greatly from this investment and its potential for growth.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Laurie Pohutsky".

Laurie Pohutsky
State Representative
House District 19