Madison Redevelopment Commission July 13, 2021 @ 3:00 pm Minutes

- Call to order at 3:00 pm by Dan Hughes: Other Board Members attending: Jeff Studebaker, Joe Craig and Carey Strouse. John Grote was absent. Others attending: Mayor Courtney, Nicole Schell, Rick Berry and Alyssa Foltz.
- Approval of minutes from June 1, 2021: motion to approve by Craig, 2nd by Studebaker; all voted in favor.
- Claims Approval: motion to approve by Strouse, 2nd by Studebaker; all voted in favor.
- Old Business
 - o Financial Planning Updates-Mayor/RFG
 - Mayor stated that we have not moved forward on the bonds due to the cities attention going to flooding and the READI grant.
- New Business:
 - o READI Grants
 - Mayor Courtney stated that we have engaged the services of the Wheatly Group to consult us through this grant and other economic development needs. The READI grant is an initiative that has 500 million dollars to give out to certain regions that have made submissions for funding. We have been putting together a local plan that is due Tuesday July 20th, 2021. From there the RDC will then put together a regional plan submitting to IEDC. This will be matched by City funding and combined with private investment.
 - Additional PACE Funding
 - Nicole Schell stated that this is a program, for revitalization, is a match program, dollar for dollar on dilapidated structures in downtown Madison. The program is out of funds and has \$77,000 being asked for. Nicole is asking for \$250,000 to get them through the next year.
 - Mayor Courtney stated that this program has been something that has been apart of the RDC primary redevelopment plan. We are asking for a motion to approve additional funding to facilitate the balance of the years PACE applications.
 - Motion to approve additional \$250,000 to the PACE program by Studebaker and 2nd by Craig; all voted in favor.
 - Sidewalk and ADA Asset Management Plan Review
 - Nicole Schell stated how this plan on the ADA portion is a requirement.
 - Mayor stated that we have spent little money on sidewalks and felt like we needed to tackle these very serious ADA issues. This will be shared with the community, City Counsel and Board of public Works. The city wants to tackle the worst projects first which is why this project funding is important. In order for us to repair our sidewalks it would take about a million dollars over the next 2 years.
 - Airport Water Infrastructure Project
 - Are wanting to build a new water line from Washington road. This would provide fire protection for the City Property. Requesting \$35,000.
 - Mayor stated that they are doing a great job with what they are doing at the Airport. This airport can have \$90,000,000 to \$1,000,000 dollars of Economic benefit to our community.

- Motion to approve up to \$35,000 by Studebaker second by Craig; all approved.
- City Matters/Updates-Mayor Courtney
 - Mayor stated that we are working on a drinking water infrastructure project. This will be very expensive, and we are going through the cost study as of now, as well as trash services. The application is for \$5,000,000 through SWIF. There are two elements, one is drinking water and the second is the mitigation of flash-flooding. As of now we do not believe the RDC will need to give any money to this project, but this is a very fluid project.
- Motion to adjourn: Motion by Strouse and 2nd by Studebaker; all voted in favor.
- Next meeting is Tuesday, August 3rd, 2021 @ 3:00 pm.

Joe Craig, Secretary