

**VILLAGE OF RIVER FOREST  
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
November 16, 2018**

A meeting of the Village of River Forest Economic Development Commission was held on Friday, November 16, 2018, at 7:30 a.m. in the Community Room of Village Hall, 400 Park Avenue, River Forest, Illinois.

**1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order at 7:34 a.m. Upon roll call, the following persons were:

Present: Bob O'Connell, Cuyler Brown, Donna Fantetti-Slepicka, Lee Neubecker, Bob Graham, Timothy Brangle

Absent: Nena Mass

Also Present: Village Administrator Eric Palm, Liz Holt (OPRF Chamber)

**2. CITIZEN COMMENTS – None**

**3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES – MOTION** made by Mr. Graham to approve the meeting minutes from October 11, 2018 as presented. Seconded by Ms. Slepicka. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

The EDC welcomed Liz Holt from the OPRF Chamber of Commerce

**4. EXISTING PROJECTS AND DEVELOPMENTS – Mr. Palm** provided an update on the Lake and Lathrop project and indicated the Village is working on an update on the redevelopment agreement to reflect updated timelines including demolition/remediation and submission of permits. There are in the process of closing up to three contracts.

Chicago & Harlem – The Village approved a planned development for a senior assisted living facility project on October. The Village negotiated several conditions on the project to ensure property taxes are protected as well as an impact fee for paramedic use, to name a few.

Comprehensive Plan – The comp plan is wrapping up and draft copies of the plan will be circulated back to all the boards and commissions including EDC for discussion at a future meeting.

There was a further discussion between the EDC and Liz Holt about membership in the OPRF Chamber and creating opportunities for businesses in River Forest. Ms. Holt also indicated that the OPRF Chamber was working with Dominican University on a grant for a business development project. The grant request would be \$500,000

**5. EXECUTIVE SESSION – Mr. Graham** made a MOTION to adjourn to Executive Session for the purposes of pending or imminent litigation, sale of real property and acquisition of real property. Seconded by Mr. Brangle. Motion approved unanimously on voice vote. The EDC went into Executive Session at 8:22 AM

The EDC reconvened in regular session at 9:03 AM.

The meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m. Upon roll call, the following persons were:

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Present: Bob O'Connell, Cuyler Brown, Donna Fantetti-Slepicka, Lee Neubecker, Bob Graham, Timothy Brangle

Absent: Nena Mass

Also Present: Village Administrator Eric Palm, Liz Holt (OPRF Chamber)

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Graham made a MOTION to adjourn the Economic Development Commission meeting at 9:05 a.m. Seconded by Mr. Brown.

MOTION PASSED by voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 9:05 a.m.