

**GROVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2022
4:00 PM
MINUTES**

The Grove Economic Development Authority met in regular session on Monday, October 17, 2022 at 4:00 PM with Chairman, Ron Lay presiding. Members present were Ivan Devitt, Keith Martin, David Adzigian and Mike Lewandowski. Also present was General Manager, Debbie Bottoroff; Attorney, Darren Cook; City Treasurer, Lisa Allred, and City Clerk, Bonnie Buzzard.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS:

- Chairman – Adzigian made the motion to nominate Ron Lay. Seconded by Lewandowski. Nomination ceased. AYE: Devitt, Martin, Adzigian and Lewandowski. NAY: None. Lay abstained. Motion carried.
- Vice-Chairman - Lewandowski made the motion to nominate Keith Martin. Seconded by Adzigian. Nomination ceased. AYE: Devitt, Adzigian, Lewandowski, and Lay. NAY: None. Martin abstained. Motion carried.

Devitt made the motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Seconded by Adzigian. AYE: Devitt, Martin, Adzigian, Lewandowski and Lay. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Devitt made the motion to approve the purchase order register. Seconded by Adzigian. AYE: Devitt, Martin, Adzigian, Lewandowski and Lay. NAY: None. Motion carried.

Martin made the motion to approve the Notice of Posting for the GEDA regular scheduled meetings of the 2023 calendar year. Seconded by Devitt. AYE: Devitt, Martin, Adzigian, Lewandowski and Lay. NAY: None. Motion carried.

STAFF REPORT:

Bottoroff reported that the Convention Tourism Bureau met and approve the purchase of a synthetic ice-skating rink for the downtown Christmas season. Bottoroff reported that it is approximately a 2,000 square foot project, and that it would require a hard surface area for set-up. The Staff is proposing to set it up along Grand Street or on the employees parking lot at City Hall. Bottoroff entertained questions, comments, and concerns from the Council.

Cook reported that Director, Donnie Crain has resigned his position from the Chamber of Commerce. Cook noted that he would assume the duties of the Economic Development prospective.

Cook reported that the easement has been signed for the Civic Center, and that all the proposed tenants have signed their contract agreements. Cook reported that the sale of the Civic Center is moving forward with a tentative closing date sometimes in December.

TRUSTEES REPORTS:

Martin asked for a status update on the Davenport project on the Wheeler Development. Cook indicated that the Wheelers are requesting an easement from the Davenports.

Lay asked for a status update on the trees along the downtown area. Bottoroff reported that the staff is visiting with a tree carver to entertain what options are available.

At 4:20 PM Devitt made the motion to adjourn. Seconded by Adzigian. AYE: Devitt, Martin, Adzigian, Lewandowski and Lay. NAY: None. Motion carried.