

**Economic & Commercial Commission Meeting
May 9, 2016**

Members Present

David Spedale, Acting Chairman
Chris Shoemaker
Jay Walsh
Kevin Suggs
Mo Moore
Yaser Elkayyal
Edgar Montalvo

Staff Present

Ivan Baker, Director of Economic Development
Nancy Byrne, Commission Secretary

Members Not Present

Curt Fiedler
Jim Mohler
Dennis Reidy
Dino Sanfilippo
Robert Workman

Also Present

Brian Maher, Liaison Trustee

Acting Chairman David Spedale called the May 9, 2016 Economic & Commercial Commission meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. There was a motion made by Jay Walsh, seconded by Mo Moore, to approve the minutes from the April 11, 2016 ECC meeting. Vote by voice call: Acting Chairman Spedale declared the motion carried.

There was a motion made by Jay Walsh, seconded by Chris Shoemaker, to approve the agenda for tonight's meeting. Vote by voice call: Acting Chairman Spedale declared the motion carried.

Chairman Report – Ivan informed the commissioners that Nancy Byrne will be retiring at the end of May. The commissioners, Ivan and Trustee Maher thanked her for her 14+ years of service to the Village of Tinley Park and congratulated her and wished her well in her retirement.

Business Breakfast Recap – Ivan stated that there were almost 220 attendees at the breakfast. Dave Spedale remarked that he liked the change of venue to Odyssey but it seemed the numbers were down. The group discussed possible reasons for the lower attendance. Several commissioners stated that they enjoyed Rick Mattoon, the economist and that he gives an unbiased opinion and delivers a great deal of information and does not take a political stance. Trustee Maher stated that we do not need to do anything differently in regard to the breakfast.

Incentive Policy Discussion & Potential Recommendations – The Incentive Policy was developed in October, 2011. Ivan stated that the task at hand is to review the policy and look at the key objectives and goals to see if they need to be adjusted. The group reviewed Goals & Objectives (Section B). There are ten criteria, and a business must meet at least one of these criteria to qualify for an incentive. Items #7 and #8 were discussed. Trustee Maher noted that all ECC recommendations would still have to be approved by the Board. It was decided to eliminate #7 and #9 and to keep #8 and #10. Ivan noted that taxes in Orland Township are double what they are in Will County and we have no property tax incentive there.

Trustee Report – Trustee Maher gave a report on current projects.

Staff Report – Ivan reported that the concept meetings for the Tinley Park Mental Health Center property will be held on June 1st and June 4th. The final review will be in mid to late July. Ivan gave an update on real estate project activity.

There was a motion made by Jay Walsh, seconded by Yaser Elkayyal, to adjourn the meeting. Vote by voice call. Acting Chairman Spedale declared the motion carried and adjourned the meeting at 8:16 p.m.

***Reminder
Next ECC Meeting
Monday, June 13, 2016
6:30 p.m.
Fulton Conference Room***

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