

**City of Franklin
Economic Development Commission**

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

Monday, March 2, 2015 Meeting

I. Call to Order, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance

The March 2, 2015 special meeting of the Franklin Economic Development Commission was called to order by Chairman Haskins at 6:01 pm. Commissioners present were Chairman Haskins, Ald. Wilhelm and Commissioners Kent, Cool, and Soto. Also present was Mayor Olson, Ald. D. Mayer, Ald. S. Mayer, Ald. Evans, Ald. Dandrea, Ald. Schmidt, Finance Director Rotzenberg. Senior Planner Fuchs, Complete Streets and Connectivity Committee member Greg Kowalski and County Supervisor Taylor.

II. Citizen Comment Period

The floor was open to citizen seeking to comment. There being no citizens present expressing a desire to speak, the citizen comment period was closed.

III. Approval of Meeting Minutes

A. January 26, 2015 Special Meeting

Motion made (Soto) and seconded (Kent) to approve the minutes as presented.
Motion carried: 4 ayes, 0 Noes and 1 Abstention (Haskins).

IV. Announcements (No action to be taken)

A. Announcements relating to Economic Development

None.

V. Business

A. Status Update on the Possible Future Retail Area: South 76th Street and West Rawson Avenue/West Loomis Road

Mayor Olson was present to provide a Powerpoint with background on the possible development area including preliminary thoughts on types of possible development types and challenges of sites (slopes, access, etc.). Brief discussion among members followed. No action taken. Mayor Olson, Director Rotzenberg and all Aldermanic representatives except Wilhelm left at 6:32 p.m.

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B. Buxton Group: Status, Continued Planning and Next Steps

Ald. Wilhelm discussed a possible internal action plan. Chairman Haskins provided background on the Buxton agreement. Discussion followed. Ald. Wilhelm left at 6:42 p.m. The action plan will be further reviewed at a future meeting. No action taken.

C. Commission Duties and Marketing Strategies.

Chairman Haskins indicated that former member John Michlig is preparing local business marketing videos which is something that the City may wish to look into. No action taken.

D. South Suburban Chamber of Commerce — Review of Guidebook Advertisement

Chairman Haskins notified the Commission that the ad is completed and should be printed soon. No action taken.

A. Commission then returned to Item A for further discussion. Commission members further discussed access issues and then discussed possible next steps.

VI. Next Meeting Date – March 23, 2015

Next regularly scheduled meeting was announced to be March 23, 2015.

VII. Adjournment

Motion made (Soto) and seconded (Kent) to adjourn the March 2, 2015 Economic Development Commission meeting. Motion carried: 4 ayes, 0 Noes