



Minutes of the Franklin Economic Development Commission Special Meeting
Franklin City Hearing Room
9229 W. Loomis Road, Franklin, Wisconsin
March 12, 2026 – 6:00 p.m.

Members Present		Others Present	
Mike Barber	X	Bobowski, Steve (Chair)	X
Barbara Wesener		Timothy Wachter (Vice Chair)	
Cathleen Richard	X	Michelle Eichmann (Alderwoman)	X

- I. The Franklin Economic Development Commission (EDC) meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. by Chairman Bobowski.
- II. The floor was opened for Citizen Comment at 6:01 p.m. No citizens were present, and Citizen Comment closed at 6:02 p.m.
- III. Approve Minutes from the January 26, 2026, Meeting – Motion by Barber, second by Wesener, to approve. Motion Carried.
- IV. Lee Mechanical, Major Site Plan Amendment, Request to approve a Major Site Plan Amendment for the addition of 51 parking stalls to the current 74 parking stalls located on property at 9909 S 57th Street - Luke Hamil, City of Franklin Planning Dept presented the Site Plan. Motion by Barber, second by Eichmann, to approve the Major Site Plan Amendment for Lee Mechanical. Motion Carried.
- V. Economic Development Update
 - A. Strategic Plan Implementation
 1. Industrial and Commercial Nodes Prioritization – To initiate the process, Regetz presented some applicable sites in general and from the Ticknor Report, as well as their status. A closer look at the still undeveloped sites will be completed for the next meeting. Suggestions for other sites from the Commission were requested.
 2. Strategic Plan Report and Implementation Plan Presentation to Council for adoption. Regetz related that the Plan should be presented to the Common Council and then adopted to be the City’s Economic Development Strategic Plan. The presentation could take place in April or May. Motion by Barber, second by Richard, to have the Strategic Plan Report and Implementation Plan Presentation to the City Council for adoption. Motion passed.
 - B. Current Prospects - Motion by Richard, second by Barber, to enter into closed session. Motion carried.
 1. The Economic Development Commission may enter closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 19.85(1)(e), for market competition reasons, to deliberate and consider potential commercial/industrial/manufacturing development(s) and governmental actions in relation thereto, and to reenter open session at the same place thereafter to act on such matters discussed therein as it deems appropriate. Motion by Richard, second by Eichmann, to enter back into open session. Motion Carried.
- VI. Examine Meeting Dates – Available monthly dates were reviewed, and consensus was achieved with the last Thursday of the month. Next meeting on April 30, 6:00 p.m.
- VII. Adjournment – Motion by Richard, second by Barber, to adjourn. Meeting adjourned.