

Minutes of the Franklin Economic Development Commission Special Meeting
Franklin City Hearing Room
9229 W. Loomis Road, Franklin, Wisconsin
May 28, 2026 – 6:00 p.m.

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

- I. The Franklin Economic Development Commission (EDC) meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Chairman Bobowski.
- II. The floor was opened for Citizen Comment at 6:07 p.m. No citizens were present, and Citizen Comment closed at 6:08 p.m.
- III. Approve Minutes from the April 30, 2026, Meeting – Motion by Richard, second by Barber, to approve. Motion Carried.
- IV. Economic Development Update
 - A. Strategic Plan Implementation
 1. Industrial and Commercial Nodes Prioritization – Identified properties reviewed: Waste Management would like the designated use of their parcels southeast of the land fill to be landfill with their other parcels designated as industrial and agricultural to serve as mitigation property. Parcels around 76th & Ryan were recommended for industrial, commercial, single and multi-family residential future use. Commission consensus was for Regetz to send the Industrial and Commercial Nodes Prioritization document to the Chairman and Staff of the Plan Commission as input to the Comprehensive Plan Update.
 2. Strategic Plan Report and Implementation Plan Presentation to Council for adoption - June 2. Chairman Bowbowski will present a prepared slide deck and Regetz will help answer questions. Regetz drafted a resolution of adoption and Council Action Sheet with guidance from the City Attorney and Clerk.
 - B. Current Prospects – Motion by Eichmann, second by Richard, to enter closed session. Motion carried.
 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 Barber, second by Bobowski, to enter open session. Motion carried.
- V. Next Meeting Date – July 30, unless there is need for a meeting on June 25.
- VI. Adjournment – Motion by Barber, second by Eichmann, to adjourn. Meeting adjourned.