

RIVERFRONT IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION MEETING

CITY OF DAVENPORT, IOWA

Tuesday, July 30, 2024; 5:00 PM

City Hall | 226 West 4th Street | Council Chambers

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Minutes

Approval of Minutes | June 25, 2024

III. Old Business

1. Main Street Landing | Update

2. Hahn Easement Agreement | Update

IV. New Business

1. Upcoming Lease Renewals | Discussion

2. Freight House Vacant Space | Discussion

V. Future Business

VI. Management Update

1. Events

2. Facilities Maintenance

3. Tenants

VII. Park Liaison Report

VIII. Public with Business

IX. Adjournment | Next Meeting Date: August 27, 2024



Riverfront Improvement Commission

Minutes

June 25, 2024

Present: Dee Bruemmer, Bill Churchill, Kelli Grubbs, Gwendolyn Lee, Andrea Olson, Scott Pettis, Mary Pruess, Angela Stone, and Julie Tonn.

Others Present: Christopher Meyer, Parks Liaison; Stephanie Bley, Riverfront Community Engagement Coordinator; Jim Odean, Interim Finance Director; Clay Merritt, Director of Engineering and Capital Projects; and Zach Peterson, Landscape Design Architect.

Chairwoman Lee called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and welcomed all in attendance.

Approval of Minutes

Lee asked for approval of the minutes from the May 28, 2024 meeting. Churchill motioned to approve the minutes; Grubbs seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.

Old Business

Riverfront Community Engagement Coordinator, Stephanie Bley, provided an update on the tenant focus groups, which included a Freight House building walk-through with members of Estes Construction. Olson provided an overview of the work session held on June 17th to discuss long term planning for the riverfront.

New Business

Director of Engineering & Capital Projects, Clay Merritt, and Landscape Design Architect, Zach Peterson, gave a presentation on the design for Main Street Landing. The Commission discussed plans for a written show of support.

Bley provided an update on an easement agreement being drafted for Hahn Ready Mix. The agreement will address the entrance ramp to Hahn, that overlaps with the Marine Specialties property.

The commission reviewed the lease agreement with EME Designs for an additional space in Union Station. Bruemmer made a motion to approve the lease; Grubbs seconded, and the motion was carried unanimously.

Future Business

The leases for EME Designs and Ott Leadership are up for renewal. The lease terms will be reviewed prior to the next meeting, and will be up for approval at the August meeting.

Management Update

Bley provided an update on the flood forecast and the impact on upcoming events. Red White and BOOM will be rescheduled to a later date.

The Freight House will be receiving fresh mulch and the deck will be power washed within the next week.

Attendance has continued to rise for each of The Big 9 concerts, with the most recent drawing in over 350 attendees.

Park Liaison Report

The Parks Advisory Board did not meet; therefore, no update was provided.

No public comments were made. With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

Gwendolyn Lee, Chair