

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ZONE COMMITTEE (EDZC) MINUTES  
MONDAY, AUGUST 15, 2022 9:30 A.M.  
CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, VERO BEACH, FLORIDA**

**PRESENT:** Joseph Cataldo, Chairman; Terry Torres, Vice Chairman; Members: Bob DelVecchio, and Sheila Schweitzer **Also Present:** John Turner, City Attorney and Tammy Bursick, City Clerk

**Unexcused Absence:** Mr. William Watkins

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 9:31 a.m.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A) June 20, 2022

**Mr. Torres made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. DelVecchio seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

**3. NEW BUSINESS**

None

**4. OLD BUSINESS**

**A) Lighting Project Update – Presentation from Kimley-Horn**

Mr. Brian Good, Kimley-Horn and Associates, gave a Power Point presentation on the Downtown Lighting Improvements (attached to the original minutes).

Mrs. Danessa Chambers, Assistant City Engineer, noted that there are three (3) lighting fixtures available and the Committee needs to choose one (1). Their options are the Pendant, Post Top and Tear Drop. She said that Kimley-Horn recommends the Tear Drop. She also wanted them to decide on whether or not they were comfortable with moving forward with the LED lighting, which is what she would recommend because they provide so much more enhanced lighting.

Mr. Torres asked how much money do they have to spend.

Mrs. Chambers explained that these projects were individually budgeted over the next four (4) years and they are substantially under budget for this project.

**Mr. Torres made a motion to approve this Kimley-Horn proposal to replace fixtures in all three (3) locations. Begin with the 21<sup>st</sup> Street and 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue , which would tie in with the existing project, which would be South of 21<sup>st</sup> Street on 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Then lastly the Old Dixie Highway portion of it in which the funds are in fact limited and then that they go with the proposed LED lighting with both the Cobra Head fixtures and the Tear Drop fixtures at all three (3) locations, which are 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 21<sup>st</sup> Street, and Old Dixie Highway.**

Mrs. Chambers explained that they are mostly focused on style and type of lighting as far as the order in which they execute the three (3) locations and they do not have to include the budget numbers at this time because staff will bring that back at a later date.

**Mr. Torres made a new motion to approve the Kimley-Horn proposal for all three (3) locations, which are 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue, 21<sup>st</sup> Street, and Old Dixie Highway. This would include both LED Cobra Head fixtures as proposed by Kimley-Horn and LED Tear Drop fixtures to replace the existing sodium vapor fixtures at all three (3) locations. He wanted to prioritize them by doing 21<sup>st</sup> Street and 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue first. Mr. Delvecchio seconded the motion.**

Mrs. Sue Gromis, Executive Director for MainStreet, thanked the Committee and Mrs. Chambers for their work in getting this lighting process approved. She has full confidence that they will have a beautiful lighting system when it is installed.

Mr. Torres referred to the diagram in the Power Point presentation and asked if it was true that they were doubling the light intensity.

Mr. Good said it is truly the doubling of the average light intensity of the corridor. He thought that Old Dixie Highway was even more than doubling. He said that on Old Dixie Highway is where they will get the most significant lighting change.

**The motion passed unanimously.**

**B) Twin Pairs**

Mrs. Chambers asked if there were any specific questions regarding the Twin Pairs.

Mr. Cataldo asked what the status was.

Mrs. Chambers did not think that there have been any changes over the last two (2) months, but said if there have been then she will send out an email to the Committee informing them of the changes.

**5. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

Today's meeting adjourned at 9:57 a.m.

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