



East Dearborn Downtown Development Authorities MINUTES

Board Meeting
December 18, 2024

Dearborn Administrative Center, Council Chambers
16901 Michigan Ave, Dearborn, MI 48124

MEMBERS PRESENT: Director Jay Kruz, Vice-Chair Zaineب Hussein, Director Hamzah Nasser, Mayor Abdullah Hammoud, Director Kamal Turfeh, Director Amanda Bright McClanahan

MEMBERS ABSENT: Director Carl Marusak, Director Jennifer Lorenz, Director Debra Guido-Allen

NON-MEMBERS PRESENT: CITY OF DEARBORN: Angela Fortino (ED), Laura Aceves- Sanchez (ED), Rebecca Schultz (Legal), Courtney Skora (Finance), Mohammed Rezaq (ED), Amanda Sancen (ED), Adel Al-Adlani (ED)

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

EDDDA Vice-Chair Zaineب Hussein called to order at 9:06 am.

2. ROLL CALL

A roll call for Board Members was called. A quorum was present.

3. APPROVAL OF EDDDA NOVEMBER MEETING MINUTES

A motion to approve the East DDDA meeting minutes of November 20th, 2024 was made by Vice-Chair Zaineب Hussein, seconded by Director Director Kamal Turfeh. Motion passed unanimously. Minutes approved.

4. REVIEW & FILING OF TREASURER’S REPORT

Courtney Skora from Finance (City) reviewed the financial statement dated November 30, 2024. Vice-Chair Zaineب Hussein motioned to acknowledge the financial statement.

5. JOINT ACTION ITEMS

- a. **Resolution ED-24-12-01** was introduced to approve several modifications to the Business Incentives Program – Dearborn Forward, which was named Open Door Grant beforehand. Director Kamal Turfeh made a motion to approve the modifications, seconded by Vice-Chair Zaineب Hussein. The motion was unanimously passed and approved.
- b. **Resolution ED 24-12-01** was introduced to approve the 2025 schedule of meetings. Director Kamal Turfeh made a motion to approve the modifications, seconded by Director Jay Kruz. The motion was unanimously passed and approved.
- c. **Resolution ED 24-12-03** was introduced to increase EDDDA contributions to Peace Park East. Vice-Chair Zaineب Hussein made a motion to approve the modifications, seconded by Director Kamal



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Turfeh. The motion was unanimously passed and approved.

6. DDA ACTIVITY UPDATES

- a. Business Liaison Updates:** Business Liaison Adel AlAdlani provided updates about the new businesses at EDDDA. The first business is called Mahizer, a Turkish Sweets franchise located across Peace Park East, and the second business is a hookah retailer store at 5030 Schaefer rd.
- b. Events Update:** Special Events and Outreach Manager Amanda Sancen provided a recap of Dearborn Coffee Week and Jingle Bell Bash. Feedback from people about both events were positive and encouraging.

7. CALL TO BOARD

8. CALL TO AUDIENCE

No audience members were present.

9. CALL TO ADJOURNMENT

Director Hamzah Nasser motioned to adjourn the meeting at 10:00, seconded by Director Jay Kruz.