



Dix-Vernor Business District Improvement Authority

Board Meeting Minutes

June 2e, 2026; 4:15 pm EST

Dearborn Administrative Center, Council Chambers

16901 Michigan Ave, Dearborn, MI 48124

MEMBERS PRESENT: Director Ronald Berry, Vice-Chair Imad Asoufy, Secretary-Treasurer Amie Kerek, Mayor Abdullah Hammoud, Director Mohammed Abdullah

MEMBERS ABSENT: Director Lucius Anthony, Chair Brigitte Fawaz-Anouti, Director Patrick Rugiero, Director Mahdi Ali.

NON-MEMBERS PRESENT: CITY OF DEARBORN: Mohammed Rezq (ED), Courtney Skora (Finance), Saeid Alawathi (ED), Amanda Atway (Legal), Laura Aceves- Sanchez (ED), Jordan Twardy (ED).

1. PA57 PRESENTATION

Program Manager Mohamed Rezq presented the six-month progress report, detailing key project completions and milestone achievements. Recent highlights included the Business Rehab Support program, the Facade Improvement Program, and business engagement events like the Business Mix and Mingle. Mohammed Rezq also noted the recent spring cleanup and a district walkthrough with Wayne County and administration officials, which aimed to build a coordinated city and county action plan that leverages joint resources for visible district improvements. The presentation concluded with a review of upcoming strategic corridor plans, including the Peace Park South Activation plans, a Pop-up Series, and continued business support initiatives.

2. **CALL TO ORDER:** Vice-Chair Imad Asoufy called the meeting to order at 4:31 pm.

3. **ROLL CALL:** A roll call for board members was called. A quorum was present.

4. APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES MAY 20, 2026

Vice-Chair Imad Asoufy presented the meeting minutes of May 20, 2026. A motion was made to approve the meeting minutes by Director Ronald Berry and was seconded by Secretary-Treasurer Amie Kerek. Motion passed unanimously. Motion approved.

5. RECEIVING AND FILING OF TREASURER'S REPORT

Courtney Skora from the Finance Department presented the monthly financial statement for the month of May 2026. Vice-Chair Imad Asoufy acknowledged receiving and filing the financial statements.

6. ACTION ITEMS

A motion was made by Mayor Abdullah Hammoud to remove agenda item number 6 (Receiving and filing of facade improvement program list), as this item was already approved in the previous meeting. The motion was seconded by Vice-Chair Imad Asoufy and passed unanimously via a voice vote.

a. Resolution DV-26-06-01:

A resolution was introduced to formally adopt the Fiscal Year 2027 operating budget, as required by Public Act 57. This action re-affirms the three-year budget for FYE 2027–2029, which was originally approved by the DVBDIA Board on November 20, 2025, and officially adopted by the Dearborn City Council on May 20, 2026.

A motion was made for this resolution by Secretary-Treasurer Amie Kerek and seconded by Mayor Abdullah Hammoud. A voice vote passed unanimously. Motion approved.

b. Resolution W-26-06-02:

The DVBDIA Board approved a \$30 expenditure from the FY 2026 Travel & Training account for staff attendance at a Michigan Economic Development Association (MEDA) online webinar. The training covers Brownfield Redevelopment in Michigan, providing professional development to enhance staff support of the local business district.

A motion was made for this resolution by Director Ronald Berry and seconded by Secretary-Treasurer Amie Kerek. A voice vote passed unanimously. Motion approved.

7. DVBDIA ACTIVITY UPDATES

a. General Update

Program Manager Mohamed Rezaq provided an update during the PA57 presentation. He also noted that the planned Jalasat activation event will take place at Peace Park South on or around September 26, 2026.

b. Business Liaison Update

Business Liaison Saeid Alawathi shared updates regarding the Business Mix and Mingle event that took place on June 12, 2026.

8. CALL TO THE BOARD

None at this time

9. CITY UPDATES

None at this time.

10. CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

None at this time

11. ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mayor Abdullah Hammoud and was seconded by Director Ronald Berry. A voice vote was passed unanimously. Motion was approved and the meeting was adjourned.