

**CITY OF SWARTZ CREEK
SWARTZ CREEK, MICHIGAN
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
DATE 07/13/2023**

The meeting was called to order at 7:29 p.m. by Mayor Krueger in the Swartz Creek City Council Chambers, 8083 Civic Drive.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Councilmembers Present: Cramer, Spillane, Gilbert, Krueger, Knickerbocker, Henry.

Councilmembers Absent: Hicks.

Staff Present: City Manager Adam Zettel, Clerk Connie Olger.

Others Present: RJ Ryan, Autumn Jesme, Connie King, Jim Barclay, Todd Beedy, Lisa Spillane.

Others Virtually Attended: Lania Rocha.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution No. 230713-01 **(Carried)**

Motion by Councilmember Spillane
Second by Councilmember Cramer

I Move the Swartz Creek City Council approve the Agenda as amended for the Special Council Meeting of July 13, 2023, to be circulated and placed on file.

YES: Spillane, Gilbert, Krueger, Knickerbocker, Henry, Cramer.
NO: None. Motion Declared Carried.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Resolution No. 230713-02 **(Carried)**

Motion by Councilmember Henry
Second by Councilmember Gilbert

I Move the Swartz Creek City Council accept the City Manager's Report of July 13, 2023, including reports and communications to be circulated and placed on file.

Discussion Ensued.

YES: Gilbert, Krueger, Knickerbocker, Henry, Cramer, Spillane.
NO: None. Motion Declared Carried.

MEETING OPENED TO THE PUBLIC:

None.

COUNCIL BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TAX INCREMENT FINANCING INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Resolution No. 230713-03

(Carried)

Motion by Councilmember Cramer
Second by Councilmember Gilbert

WHEREAS, the City of Swartz Creek is a Redevelopment Ready Community that updated its Master Plan and Downtown Development Plan in 2022, and,

WHEREAS, the improvement and redevelopment of downtown is a high priority for the community, and planning documents encourage higher density, quality development, with specific and desirable features; and,

WHEREAS, the City and DDA both offer incentives to make such improvements possible and to encourage them; and,

WHEREAS, the city's planner recommended and crafted a Tax Increment Financing incentive program that includes an application, guidelines, and scoring sheet; and,

WHEREAS, the DDA deliberated the program at its regular meeting on July 13, 2023 and recommended approval.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Swartz Creek City Council recommends approval of the Tax Increment Financing program to the city council as included in the July 13, 2023 City Council packet.

Discussion Ensued.

YES: Krueger, Knickerbocker, Henry, Cramer, Spillane, Gilbert.
NO: None. Motion Declared Carried.

MEETING OPENED TO THE PUBLIC:

Mr. Zettel commented that in our quest to attract hospitality style businesses Samantha worked on what they call a leakage study. It identifies the geography within the community, and it tells you how much supply and demand there is for certain goods and services. One happens to be restaurants, and for that there is quite a gap. This will help us demonstrate why people should be doing business in the city. The mayor responded that Samantha is doing good work.

REMARKS BY COUNCILMEMBERS:

Councilmember Knickerbocker wanted to thank the plumbing inspector for taking the extra mile for his work and support he gave my wife during his visit.

Councilmember Gilbert thanked everyone for all the work that was put into this project.

Councilmember Spillane appreciates the opportunity that we were able to have a co-meeting tonight and learn some things.

Mayor Krueger commented that he has been on the council for the last 14 1/2 years and doesn't think he has ever missed meeting for vacation and he will be gone the next two meetings on vacations.

ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. 230713-04

(Carried)

Motion by Councilmember Gilbert
Second by Councilmember Henry

I Move the Swartz Creek City Council adjourn the special council meeting of July 13, 2023, at 7:42 p.m.

Unanimous Voice Vote.

David A. Krueger, Mayor

Connie Olger, City Clerk