

STATE OF MICHIGAN
LAND BANK FAST TRACK AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING
(MLBFTA)

Tuesday, December 12, 2017 9:00 A.M.
MEDC Lake Superior Conference Room

Members Present:

Jeremy Hedges, Chairperson
Laura Mester
Eric Scorsone
Ronald Smedley
Michael Turnquist

Staff Present:

Josh Burgett
Patrick Ennis
Jeff Huntington
Linda Horak
Ryan McNeil
Carolyn Latin-Smith
Jennifer Quinlivan
Brian Woodin
TiAnna Taylor
Kara Jueckstock

AG Office – Erik Graney

1. Call to Order
Jeremy Hedges, Chair called the meeting to order at 9:01 am.
2. Roll Call
Roll Call taken. Quorum established.

Chairman Hedges welcomed all attendees to the meeting inquiring if anyone has a public comment.

3. Public Comment
Peter Rhodes, who lives in the Greenacres Woodward neighborhood in north central Detroit, spoke to that neighborhood's frustration that the former Michigan State Fairgrounds remains idle and undeveloped. That group, along with other community and business groups, urge the board that enough time has elapsed with no visible action and it is time to dissolve the current development agreement and open this opportunity back to qualified developers.

Eric Scorsone joined the meeting at this time.

4. Approval of Agenda
The motion was made by Laura Mester to approve the agenda as presented. Michael Turnquist seconded the motion. Motion carried without dissent.
5. Approval of Meeting Minutes from May 24, 2017
The motion was made by Michael Turnquist to approve the amended minutes of May 24, 2017. Ronald Smedley seconded the motion. Motion carried without dissent.

6. Approval of Meeting Minutes from September 20, 2017

The motion was made by Michael Turnquist to approve the minutes of September 20, 2017. Laura Mester seconded the motion. Motion carried without dissent.

7. Director's Report

Josh Burgett gave the Director's Report commenting on the following projects: **Hardest Hit Fund** – he reviewed the total grant amount, units demolished and units contracted for demolition. Director Burgett stated that the MLBFTA is working to close out the project and expects its involvement to be complete by the end of February, 2018; **State Fairgrounds** – Director Burgett commented that MLBFTA's current purchase agreement and development agreement with Magic Plus has expired and that MLBFTA is working with Magic Plus, as well as the City of Detroit, towards a final resolution early in CY2018; **Highland Park High School** – demolition is complete. The land owned by the City of Highland Park is being marketed for redevelopment. The MLBFTA is working to close out all grants and agreements associated with this project. Director Burgett also commented on - the Michigan Life Science and Innovation Center (MLSIC), Gordie Howe International Bridge (GHIB) and North Flint Food Market. Director Burgett commented on the MLBFTA's Staffing Update – by introducing three new members to the MLBFTA team - Jim Tischler, Jennifer Quinlivan and Brian Woodin.

Director Burgett also commented on the following: Report on Exercise of Delegation of Authority by the Director, the MLBFTA Inventory Report and the MLBFTA Disposition Report.

8. Detroit House of Corrections Property

Joint Evaluation Committee Recommendation

Director Burgett called attention to a letter dated October 25, 2017, from REDICO as well as the recommendation from the JEC included in the board packet. The JEC recommends that the MLBFTA Board of Directors give the MLBFTA Director the authority to enter into a public/private partnership with REDICO in the form of a development agreement that could lead to the purchase and development of this property. Some specific terms to the agreement were reviewed and discussed.

Resolution No. 2017-9 Approval of the Recommendation of the Joint Evaluation Committee for the Detroit House of Corrections (DEHOCO) Property Disposition was presented.

The motion was made by Eric Scorsone to approve Resolution No. 2017-9 as presented. Motion seconded by Laura Mester. Motion carried without dissent.

9. Litigation Update

Patrick Ennis, General Counsel, updated members on pending litigation the MLBFTA is involved in and a notice of intent to file a claim against the MLBFTA.

10. Adjournment

The motion was made by Eric Scorsone to adjourn. Ronald Smedley seconded the motion. Motion carried without dissent. The Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:50 a.m.