



**MINUTES OF THE
DETROIT BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE
LIFE IS A DREAMTROT
BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT PLAN**

**Monday, February 24, 2020
The Marble Bar
1501 Holden Street
Detroit, MI 48208
5:30 PM**

In attendance were:

Jennifer Kanalos (DEGC/DBRA)
Cora Capler (DEGC/DBRA)
Oren Goldenberg (Dreamtroit)
Matt Naimi (Dreamtroit)
Elizabeth Masserang (PM Environmental)
Joe Heaphy (Ethos Development)
Eno Laget
Benjamin Kehoe (Bikes and Coffee)
Ryan Doyle (Dreamtroit)
Jordan Yagiela (NW Goldberg Cares)
Daniel A. Washington (NW Goldberg Cares)
Neal Ingram (Recycle Here!)
Sam Sherman (Grasso Holdings)
Tom Habitz (Henry Ford Health System)
Brad Byarski (New Center NOGO/PGA)
Katie Lanza (New Center NOGO/PGA)
Judy Lebo
Kristen Naimi
Adrian Tonon (City of Detroit)
Randal Jean-Baptiste (NW Goldberg Cares)

Ms. Kanalos called the meeting to order at 5:35 PM.

Ms. Capler informed the hearing of the tax increment financing request per the Brownfield Plan, provided an overview of the project, and answered questions regarding the timeline of approval for the Brownfield Plan including details of the City Council public hearing.

Mr. Naimi and Mr. Goldenberg provided details regarding the redevelopment plan for the project location and answered questions regarding construction schedule, the plans and potential options for green stormwater management infrastructure, and the anticipated start of construction and the work that has been completed to date.

Mr. Kehoe stated that he was introduced to Recycle Here! about ten years ago and has had several friends begin their art careers through the art community on the property and he is excited for the development.



Ms. Naimi stated that she thinks it is amazing for two people who have been a part of the community in Detroit to create a safe and interactive space that is open to all Detroiters and to take on such a large project with such a commitment to community is impressive.

Mr. Sherman stated that the social capital brought by the developers is important and should be included in the project and the community.

Mr. Ingram stated that he has worked with Recycle Here! for twelve years and the development of a new recycling center for Detroit residents and the energy of the community on the property is a great addition to the neighborhood.

Mr. Habitz stated that in his position at Henry Ford Health System he has worked with the developers and he is looking forward to the project coming to fruition and continuing to work with the developers on the plans for the neighborhood.

Mr. Tonin stated that this project is a great example of a development not displacing current residents and is the type of project needed in the community.

Paper copies of the Brownfield Plan and renderings for the project were provided.

Five people verbally provided their support for the project, and four additional people indicated their support for the project on the sign-in sheet. There were no comments received in opposition of the project.

Citing no further public comments, Ms. Kanalos closed the public hearing at 5:57 PM.