



**, DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2022 – 2:30 P.M.**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Austin Black
Richard Hosey
Charles Beckham
David Blaszkiewicz
Ehrlich Crain
Melvin Hollowell
James Jenkins
Steve Ogden

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Marvin Beatty
John Naglick
Donald Rencher
Nicole Sherard-Freeman

OTHERS PRESENT: Dennis Archer, Jr. (Paradise Valley Foundation)
Kenyetta Bridges (DEGC/DDA)
Cora Capler (DEGC/DDA)
Gina Cavaliere (Downtown Detroit Partnership)
Elise Fields (Midtown Detroit, Inc.)
Jared Fleisher (Rocket)
Bob Gregory (Downtown Detroit Partnership)
Gay Hilger (DEGC/DDA)
Lanard Ingram (DEGC/DDA)
Malinda Jensen (DEGC/DDA)
Kevin Johnson (DEGC/DDA)
Paul Kakos (DEGC/DDA)
Jennifer Kanalos (DEGC/DDA)
Eric Larson (Downtown Detroit Partnership)
Lorinda Lindsey (Attorney)
Glen Long, Jr. (DEGC/DDA)
Melanie Markowicz (Greektown Neighborhood Partnership)
Monika McKay-Polly (DEGC/DDA)
Rebecca Navin (DEGC/DDA)
Peter Rhoades (City of Detroit)
Nevan Shokar (DEGC/DDA)



**MINUTES OF THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING
DETROIT ECONOMIC GROWTH CORPORATION
500 GRISWOLD, SUITE 2200, DETROIT, MI 48226
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2022 – 2:30 P.M.**

GENERAL

Call to Order

Vice Chair Blaszkiewicz called the regular meeting of the Downtown Development Authority Board of Directors to order at 2:31 p.m. Roll call was conducted, and a quorum was established.

GENERAL

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Blaszkiewicz asked if there were any additions, deletions, or corrections to the minutes of the November 9, 2022 Regular Board meeting. Hearing none, the Board took the following action:

Mr. Jenkins made a motion approving the November 9, 2022 minutes, as written. Mr. Ogden seconded the motion. All were in favor with none opposed. DDA Resolution Code 22-12-02-650 was unanimously approved.

Mr. Blaszkiewicz advised that he was putting on hold the Treasurer's Report and will come back to it when Mr. Long arrives.

PROJECTS

Proposed Fifth Amendment to Development Agreement Between Rosko Development Company LLC and the DDA

Mr. Shokar advised that in September 2010, the DDA and Rosko Development Company LLC, an affiliate of Bedrock Real Estate Services, ("**Rosko**") entered into a First Amended and Restated Development Agreement (as amended from time to time, the "**Development Agreement**") relating to the development of, among other properties, the site of the former Hudson building (the "**Site**"). In December 2017, Rosko's affiliate 1208 Woodward LLC ("Developer") closed on the Site and commenced demolition of the sub-surface parking garage on the Site. In December 2018, construction of the vertical improvements began.



Under the terms of the Development Agreement, Developer has the right to propose and update its development plan for the Site, and the development plan will be “deemed approved” by the DDA Board, so long as it is a mixed-use development containing, among other things, at least 250 residential units (the “**Residential Minimum Requirement**”). Developer’s current development plan for the Site anticipates fewer than 250 residential units. Rather, the project will include at least 200,000 gross square feet of residential use (approximately 110 units) and 300,000 gross square feet of hotel use (approximately 227 hotel rooms). Consequently, Developer is seeking a variance from the Residential Minimum Requirement to allow for this modified use.

In addition, the current timeline for construction completion under the Development Agreement is December 31, 2022. Due to unforeseen construction delays resulting from the Covid 19 pandemic and related economic factors, as well as a modification of Developer’s original development plans, Developer is seeking a 24-month extension to this completion date. A revised December 31, 2024 completion date will also be consistent with Developer’s completion deadline under the Transformational Brownfield Plan for the Site.

A resolution was included for the Board’s consideration.

Mr. Shokar turned the floor over to the developer, Mr. Jared Fleisher, who did a short PowerPoint presentation.

Mr. Blaszkiewicz called for questions.

Mr. Hollowell asked if the 50 percent reduction of residential units is the plan. Mr. Fleisher stated that the original plan in 2017 called for 334 residential units, and for a variety of reasons, including market feedback, the plan now is to include more hotel rooms, which results in a reduction of residential units.

Mr. Hollowell asked Board Member Ogden if this was the plan presented and approved by City Council in terms of the number of residential units that will be available. Mr. Ogden responded in the affirmative. Mr. Hollowell asked if this change was driven by economics. Mr. Ogden advised that it was a question of whether the market could absorb that number of residential units, and the determination was, not at this time. Mr. Ogden stated that they have gone through a lot of iterations of what this project will look like. They started out at somewhere around \$900 million and now they are at \$1.4 billion. They were before City Council in June for tax abatement, and Council got to see what the Board is seeing right now. Mr. Fleisher added that it went before the MEDC in August with the support of the Brownfield Authority, so this project is well known.

Mr. Jenkins stated that he believes this project will be a keystone in the community.



Ms. Navin advised that she wanted to add one point of clarification. What is being sought on the variance here is approval of the square footage amounts of the residential and the hotel space. The number of units may change a bit.

Mr. Hosey asked if the Board should consider adding some variance so that if there is a change, it is already accommodated. Ms. Navin advised that the developer has already confirmed that the amounts in the resolution--200,000 sq. ft. for residential and 300,000 sq. ft. for hotel--should be sufficient as a minimum.

Mr. Hollowell asked what amount of the 200,000 square feet of residential is rentable units versus condominiums. Ms. Navin responded that it is 100 percent condominiums.

Subsequent to the discussion, Mr. Blaskiewicz called for a motion.

Mr. Jenkins made a motion to approve the Fifth Amendment to the Development Agreement Between Rosko Development Company LLC and the DDA. Mr. Crain seconded the motion. All were in favor with none opposed. Resolution Code DDA 22-12-112-21 was approved, with Mr. Ogden abstaining.

Request for Support of Downtown Revitalization and Placemaking Projects

Mr. Shokar stated that in early 2022, The Revitalization and Placemaking ("RAP") Program was announced as an incentive program that will deploy \$100 million in American Rescue Plan funding to address the COVID-19 impacts in Michigan communities. This program will provide access to real estate and place-based infrastructure development gap financing through grants of up to \$5 million per project for real estate rehabilitation and development, grants of up to \$1 million per project for public space improvements and grants of up to \$20 million to local or regional partners who develop a coordinated subgrant program. In September of 2022, The Downtown Detroit Partnership ("DDP") was awarded \$13,740,000 of RAP subgrant funding to invest in projects that focus on living and playing downtown as a way to generate new demand for small businesses and new tax revenue for the City.

From the RAP subgrant, \$4,600,900 of funding is allocated to the below placemaking projects, to be undertaken by the DDP, in partnership with the Paradise Valley Conservancy and the Greektown Neighborhood Partnership. DDP anticipates that the improvements will be completed prior to the Spring 2024 NFL Draft, with the exception of the Grand Circus Park improvements which are slated to commence in Fall 2023 and be completed by Summer 2004. DDP has requested contributing support from DDA for the placemaking projects in the allocations indicated below (the "Funding Request").



<u>Project</u>	<u>Total Investment</u>	<u>RAP Award</u>	<u>DDA Request</u>	<u>Description of Improvements</u>
Campus Martius & Cadillac Square	\$2,475,000	\$845,210	\$480,000	Improve infrastructure, create "Winter Lodge", expand ice rink; New food and beverage kiosk and public restroom
Grand Circus	\$2,000,000	\$845,210	\$480,000	Redesigning of Woodward redesign, new public restroom
Capitol Park	\$3,000,000	\$845,210	\$480,000	Improve infrastructure, permanent seating, landscaping
Paradise Valley Park and Plaza	\$1,480,000	\$625,455	\$480,000	Create inviting public space: pavers, landscaping, furnishings, signage, public art
Paradise Valley Alley	\$1,407,000	\$594,605	\$480,000	Concrete pavers, new landscaping, space for food trucks, stage
Randolph Plaza	\$2,683,018	\$845,210	\$475,000	Landscaping, café zone with outdoor seating and dining infrastructure
Total	\$13,045,018	\$4,600,900	\$2,875,000	

DDA staff hereby requests the Board's approval of (i) the Funding Request; (ii) the execution of one or more appropriate funding agreements setting forth funding conditions, including but not limited to sufficient project funding commitments, a construction draw disbursement mechanism, DDA's reasonable approval of the project budgets, and the establishment of an outside project commencement and/or completion date; and (iii) a reallocation of amount of up to \$2,875,000 from other DDA Plan Table 3 line items to the Special Areas Planning, Engineering, Operations and Maintenance program, as authorized by Section 408.1 of the DDA Plan, in order to fund the Funding Request.

A resolution was included for the Board's consideration.

Mr. Shokar advised that the folks from the Downtown Detroit Partnership, the Paradise Valley Conservancy, and the Greektown Neighborhood Partnership were with us to talk about the specific improvements for the dollars.

Mr. Bob Gregory of the Downtown Detroit Partnership reviewed the proposed improvements in Campus Martius Park, Grand Circus Park and Capitol Park. Mr. Dennis Archer, Jr. spoke about the improvements proposed in Paradise Valley. Ms. Melanie Makowicz of the Greektown Neighborhood Partnership also explained the proposed improvements to be made in Greektown with the construction of Randolph Plaza.

Mr. Blaszkiewicz called for questions.



Mr. Crain asked if the DDA will have a role in any of these projects. Mr. Shokar advised that the way that it is written is that it is up to the DDA to draft the appropriate budget, which can be done in different ways. It could be either through the DDP to sort of subgrant back, which is the way that MEDC is writing their agreements, or we could give it directly to the conservancies themselves. That was intentionally left open for us to finalize. Ms. Navin added that in any event, will be reviewing the work and the construction progress against the budget.

Mr. Hollowell stated that it is his understanding that these are Federal funds that you either “use or lose” and there is a timeline. Ms. Navin clarified that she believes that would be the MEDC portion of the grant. The funds from the DDA are tax increment funds.

Mr. Hollowell added that this whole project is essentially a linkage, and he believes it has all been very well thought out, goes to the core of what the DDA is all about, and is the best use of TIF funds, and he supports it fully.

Subsequent to the discussion, Mr. Blaszkiewicz called for a motion.

Mr. Hollowell made a motion to approve the Request for Support of Downtown Revitalization and Placemaking Projects. Mr. Jenkins seconded the motion. All were in favor with none opposed.

Resolution Code DDA 22-12-88-09 was approved, with Mr. Beckham abstaining.

GENERAL

Mr. Blaszkiewicz called on Mr. Long for the Treasurer’s Report.

Receipt of Treasurer’s Reports

Mr. Long reviewed the Treasurer’s Report of Receipts and Disbursements for the month of October 2022 and responded to questions.

Mr. Blaszkiewicz called for a motion.

Mr. Hosey made a motion approving the DDA Treasurer’s Report for the month of October 2022, as presented. Mr. Ogden seconded the motion. All were in favor with none opposed.

DDA Resolution Code 22-12-03-539 was unanimously approved.

ADMINISTRATIVE



Downtown Supplemental Lighting and Safety Program

Ms. Jensen reported that over the years, the Downtown Detroit Partnership (“DDP”) administered a holiday lighting program. This program has been centered around the installation of various holiday lighting throughout the DDA Downtown District. In 2002, the City of Detroit Downtown Development Authority (“DDA”) and DDP entered into a Professional Services and Rental Agreement whereby the DDA agreed to provide \$200,000.00 in annual reimbursements to DDP in support of the holiday lighting program. The Convention Facilities Public Improvements program in the DDA’s Tax Increment Financing Plan and Development Plan for Development Area No. 1 (the “DDA Plan”) includes an allocation for these payments thru FY 22-23. There is currently a total of \$302,411.16 remaining in this DDA Plan Table 3 line item allocation, comprised of the FY 2022-23 allocation, as well as an unexpended balance from a prior year.

As DDP has continued to operate its holiday lighting program, it has recently sought ways to shift the program to operate year-round. In addition to the annual holiday lighting program, DDP now seeks to expand the program to include enhanced lighting in dark spots in pedestrian areas in and around public spaces, all within the DDA Downtown District (the “**Supplemental Lighting Program**”). DDP has submitted a funding request to the DDA, attached hereto as Exhibit A, to support its efforts in providing additional lighting in the Downtown District through this Supplemental Lighting Program, commencing in 2022-23 (in lieu of its 2022-23 holiday lighting allocation).

DDA staff is supportive of DDP’s requests and respectfully requests the DDA Board to approve (i) DDA’s support of DDP’s Supplemental Lighting Program at an amount not to exceed \$200,000 annually from FY 2022-23 through FY 2027-28, for a total commitment of \$1,200,000, to be memorialized in a new funding agreement; and (ii) a reallocation of an amount equal to \$897,588.84 from other DDA Plan Table 3 line items to the Convention Facilities Public Improvements line item, as authorized by Section 408.1 of the DDA Plan, in order to fund the Supplemental Lighting Program.

A resolution was included for the Board’s consideration.

Ms. Jensen advised that a resolution was included for the Board’s consideration and DDP representatives are available to answer questions.

Mr. Blaszkiewicz asked if there were any questions.

Mr. Hollowell stated that it is the “Supplemental Lighting and Safety Program” and asked if there is something else other than the lighting that is the safety? Ms. Jensen responded that it is the increased lighting that will create a safer environment.



With there being no other questions, Mr. Blaskiewicz called for a motion.

Mr. Crain made a motion to approve the Downtown Supplemental Lighting and Safety Program. Mr. Hollowell seconded the motion. All were in favor with none opposed.

Resolution Code DDA 22-12-01-469 was unanimously approved.

OTHER BUSINESS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Blaszkiewicz called for public comment and stated that they would have two minutes.

Peter Rhodes thanked Mr. Blaszkiewicz and stated the following:

“My name is Peter Rhodes, and I am a Policy Analyst for Council Member Angela Whitfield Calloway, District 2. She asked me to attend the meeting today and take some notes. I was really impressed by you all and thank you all for your efforts and your dedication. While I am here, and I have some time left...so one of the things we are talking about back at the office is affordable housing. So, when it comes to affordable housing, how is it we cannot want folks who are scrubbing pots and pans in the back of the restaurant to be able to afford a place to live within walking distance from where they are working? In downtown Detroit, that’s pretty tough. The DDA brings in about \$60 million a year in revenue, has about \$1 billion in assets and about \$300 million in liabilities. That means you have about \$700 million. I don’t want all \$700 million. But, in the future, when you are meeting, when you are considering, think about affordable housing, how you use some of those funds to supplement affordable housing in downtown Detroit so working folks scrubbing those pots and pans can afford a place to live near where they work.”

Mr. Hollowell thanked Mr. Rhodes and asked him to send back to the Councilwoman the Board’s appreciation of him being here and for expressing concerns about affordable housing. She is exactly right.

ADJOURNMENT

With there being no further business to be brought before the Board, on a motion by Mr. Ogden, seconded by Mr. Hollowell, Mr. Blaszkiewicz adjourned the meeting at 3:18 p.m.



CODE DDA 22-12-02-650

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 9, 2022

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Regular meeting of November 9, 2022 are hereby approved and all actions taken by the Directors present at such meeting, as set forth in such minutes, are hereby in all respects ratified and approved as actions of the Downtown Development Authority.

December 14, 2022



CODE DDA 22-12-03-539

RECEIPT OF TREASURER'S REPORT FOR OCTOBER 2022

RESOLVED, that the Treasurer's Report of Receipts and Disbursements for the period ending October 31, 2022, as presented at this meeting, is hereby in all respects received by the Downtown Development Authority.

December 14, 2022



CODE DDA 22-12-112-21

QUICKEN LOANS DEVELOPMENTS: RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FIFTH AMENDMENT TO DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN ROSKO DEVELOPMENT COMPANY LLC AND THE DDA

WHEREAS, in September, 2010, the DDA and Rosko Development Company LLC, an affiliate of Bedrock Real Estate Services, (“**Rosko**”) entered into a First Amended and Restated Development Agreement (as amended from time to time, the “**Development Agreement**”) relating to the development of, among other properties, the site of the former Hudson building (the “**Site**”); and

WHEREAS, in December, 2017, Rosko’s affiliate 1208 Woodward LLC (“**Developer**”) closed on the Site and commenced demolition of the sub-surface parking garage on the Site and in December, 2018 Developer commenced construction of the vertical improvements on the Site; and

WHEREAS, Section 5.03(i) of the Development Agreement provides that Developer’s development plan for the Site will be “deemed approved” if it includes, among other things, at least 250 residential units (the “**Residential Minimum Requirement**”); and

WHEREAS, in response to market demands, in lieu of 250 residential units, Developer’s current development plan includes at least 200,000 gross square feet of residential use and 300,000 gross square feet of hotel use and Developer is seeking a variance from the Residential Minimum Requirement to allow for such modified use (the “**Variance Request**”); and

WHEREAS, Developer has also requested an extension of the construction completion date set forth in the Development Agreement from December 31, 2022 to December 31, 2024, which date is consistent with the construction schedule in the Transformational Brownfield Plan for the Site (the “**Extension Request**”); and

WHEREAS, the DDA Board of Directors has determined that it is in the best interests of the DDA and the project to approve the Variance Request and the Extension Request.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the DDA Board of Directors hereby approves the Variance Request and the Extension Request.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any two Officers, any two of the Authorized Agents of the DDA, or any one of its Officers and any one of its Authorized Agents, shall hereafter have the authority to negotiate and execute an amendment to the Development Agreement upon terms not inconsistent with the terms described herein and the any and all other documents, contracts, or other papers, or take any and all actions, necessary or appropriate to implement the provisions and intent of this resolution on behalf of the DDA.



BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that all of the acts and transactions of any Officer or Authorized Agent of the DDA, in the name and on behalf of the DDA, relating to matters contemplated by the foregoing resolutions, which acts would have been approved by the foregoing resolutions except that such acts were taken prior to execution of these resolutions, are hereby in all respects confirmed, approved and ratified.

December 14, 2022



CODE DDA 22-12-88-09

REQUEST FOR SUPPORT OF DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION AND PLACEMAKING PROJECTS

WHEREAS, the Downtown Detroit Partnership (“DDP”) was awarded \$13,740,000 of RAP subgrant funding to invest in projects that focus on living and playing downtown as a way to generate new demand for small businesses and new tax revenue for the City, of which \$4,600,900 of funding is allocated to the placemaking projects within DDA’s Development Area No. 1, to be undertaken by the DDP, in partnership with the Paradise Valley Conservancy and the Greektown Neighborhood Partnership: and

WHEREAS, DDP has requested contributing support from DDA in the amount of \$2,875,000 for the placemaking projects in the allocations indicated below (the “**Funding Request**”):

<u>Project</u>	<u>Total Investment</u>	<u>RAP Award</u>	<u>DDA Request</u>	<u>Description of Improvements</u>
Campus Martius & Cadillac Square	\$2,475,000	\$845,210	\$480,000	Improve infrastructure, create “Winter Lodge”, expand ice rink; New food and beverage kiosk and public restroom
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Total	\$13,045,018	\$4,600,900	\$2,875,000	

; and

WHEREAS, the DDA Board of Directors has determined that it is in the best interests of the DDA and to approve the Funding Request on the terms and conditions set forth herein.



NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the DDA Board of Directors hereby approves (i) the Funding Request; (ii) the execution of one or more appropriate funding agreements setting forth funding conditions, including but not limited to sufficient project funding commitments, a construction draw disbursement mechanism, DDA's reasonable approval of the project budgets, and the establishment of an outside project commencement and/or completion date; and (iii) a reallocation of amount of up to \$2,875,000 from other DDA Plan Table 3 line items to the Special Areas Planning, Engineering, Operations and Maintenance program, as authorized by Section 408.1 of the DDA Plan, in order to fund the Funding Request.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any two Officers, any two of the Authorized Agents of the DDA, or any one of its Officers and any one of its Authorized Agents, shall hereafter have the authority to negotiate and execute on or more funding agreements upon terms not inconsistent with the terms described herein and the any and all other documents, contracts, or other papers, or take any and all actions, necessary or appropriate to implement the provisions and intent of this resolution on behalf of the DDA.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that all of the acts and transactions of any Officer or Authorized Agent of the DDA, in the name and on behalf of the DDA, relating to matters contemplated by the foregoing resolutions, which acts would have been approved by the foregoing resolutions except that such acts were taken prior to execution of these resolutions, are hereby in all respects confirmed, approved and ratified.

December 14, 2022



CODE DDA 22-12-01-469

ADMINISTRATION: DOWNTOWN SUPPLEMENTAL LIGHTING AND SAFETY PROGRAM

WHEREAS, in 2002, the City of Detroit Downtown Development Authority (“DDA”) and the Downtown Detroit Partnership (“DDP”) entered into a Professional Services and Rental Agreement whereby the DDA agreed to provide \$200,000.00 annually to DDP in support of DDP’s holiday lighting program; and

WHEREAS, the Convention Facilities Public Improvements program in the DDA’s Tax Increment Financing Plan and Development Plan for Development Area No. 1 (the “DDA Plan”) includes an allocation for these payments thru FY 22-23, for which there is currently a total of \$302,411.16 remaining in this DDA Plan Table 3 line item allocation, comprised of the FY 2022-23 allocation, as well as an unexpended balance from a prior year; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the annual holiday lighting program, DDP now seeks to expand the program to include enhanced lighting in dark spots in pedestrian areas in and around public spaces, all within the DDA Downtown District (the “Supplemental Lighting Program”); and

WHEREAS, DDP’s requests that DDA support the Supplemental Lighting Program at an amount not to exceed \$200,000 annually, commencing in 2022-23 (in lieu of its 2022-23 holiday lighting allocation); and

WHEREAS, DDA staff recommends DDA Board approval of (i) DDA’s support of DDP’s Supplemental Lighting Program at an amount not to exceed \$200,000 annually from FY 2022-23 through FY 2027-28, for a total commitment of \$1,200,000, to be memorialized in a new funding agreement; and (ii) a reallocation of an amount equal to \$897,588.84 from other DDA Plan Table 3 line items to the Convention Facilities Public Improvements line item, as authorized by Section 408.1 of the DDA Plan, in order to fund the Supplemental Lighting Program; and

WHEREAS, having reviewed the request, the DDA Board of Directors has determined that it is in the best interests of the DDA and the goals and purposes of the DDA Plan to approve the aforementioned request.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the DDA Board of Directors hereby approves (i) DDA’s support of DDP’s Supplemental Lighting Program at an amount not to exceed \$200,000 annually from FY 2022-23 through FY 2027-28, for a total



commitment of \$1,200,000, to be memorialized in a new funding agreement; and (ii) a reallocation of an amount equal to \$897,588.84 from other DDA Plan Table 3 line items to the Convention Facilities Public Improvements line item, as authorized by Section 408.1 of the DDA Plan, in order to fund the Supplemental Lighting Program.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the DDA Board of Directors hereby authorizes any two of its Officers, any one Officer and any one designated Authorized Agent, or any two Authorized Agents to execute a funding agreement and any and all documents necessary or appropriate, or take any and all actions necessary or appropriate, to implement the provisions and intent of this resolution on behalf of the DDA.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that all of the acts and transactions of any Officer or Authorized Agent of the DDA, in the name and on behalf of the DDA, relating to matters contemplated by the foregoing resolutions, which acts would have been approved by the foregoing resolutions except that such acts were taken prior to execution of these resolutions, are hereby in all respects confirmed, approved and ratified.

December 14, 2022



Exhibit A

Funding Request



December 5, 2022

Detroit Economic Growth Corporation
Mr. Kevin D. Johnson, President and CEO
500 Griswold St., Suite 2200
Detroit, MI 48226

Re: Downtown Supplemental Lighting and Safety Program

Dear Mr. Johnson,

As you are aware, the Downtown Detroit Partnership (DDP) continues to strengthen and support downtown Detroit through many strategic initiatives and programs. The DDP respectfully requests continued support from the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) in the amount of \$1,200,000 over five years for our Downtown Supplemental Lighting and Safety program.

With support from the DDA, the Downtown Supplemental Lighting and Safety program will continue to provide procurement and installation of annual holiday lighting as well as enhanced lighting in dark spots along pedestrian areas in and around public spaces, all within the DDA Downtown District.

As a lead organization in the downtown district, we have recognized the importance to create well-lit pedestrian public spaces that support connectivity in our urban core for our residents, visitors and employees. In addition, our annual holiday lighting illuminates the downtown along major streets and gateways into the district, encourage the community to celebrate and experience our exciting downtown during the winter season. To ensure our collective efforts in creating a vibrant, urban core remain a priority, DDP operates this program year-round.

The impact of this program goes beyond lighting enhancements along our corridors and pedestrian gateways. Having a strategic and coordinated approach, supports the past, current and future investments within the downtown core, by providing a welcoming space for businesses, residents and visitors.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Eric B. Larson", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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