

# City of Gary REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

## Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday September 24, 2025, 4:00 PM

Hudson Campbell Board Room 455 Massachusetts St. Gary, IN. 46402

#### **MEETING AGENDA**

1. Meeting Called to order at 4:00 pm.

#### 2. Roll call

- Ken Stalling, President, Mayoral Appointee Jan 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025 PRESENT
- LaJuan Clemmons, Vice President, Council Appointee Jan 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025, ABSENT
- GlenEva Dunham, Secretary, Mayoral Appointee Jan 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025, PRESENT
- George Rogge, Commissioner,

- Mayoral Appointee Jan 1, 2025 December 31, 2025, **PRESENT**
- Kenneth Whisenton, Commissioner, Council Appointee Jan 1, 2025 – December 31, 2025, PRESENT
- Glen Johnson, School Board Representative, Jan 1, 2025-December 31, 2025, ABSENT
- **3. Approval of Agenda:** The agenda was approved upon a motion by **Commissioner Dunham**, seconded by **Commissioner Whisenton**. The motion carried (4-0).
- 4. **Approval of Minutes:** The agenda was approved upon a motion by **Commissioner Whisenton**, seconded by **Commissioner Dunham**. The motion carried (4-0)
- 5. **Approval of Claims: The** claims were approved upon a motion by **Commissioner Whisenton**, seconded by **Commissioner Dunham**. The motion carried (4-0)
- 6. Public Comments (On Agenda Items Only) No public comments were made
- 7. Presentations
  - I. Mr. Parisrice Robinson, GARY BROADWAY MAINSTREET COMMUNITIES
  - II. Ms. Corrie Sharp, Project Updates
    - i. Miller Parking Lot
    - ii. Genesis Center RFI
  - III. Director Christopher Harris
    - i. The GRIT Building
    - ii. Illuminated Street Signs
    - iii. Carriage House Studios
    - iv. Rebekah Kik, City of Kalamazoo

### 8. New Business

| PETITION       | DESCRIPTION   |
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| RESOLUTION NO. | Authorizing and Awarding Real Property for the Adjacent Property  |
| 7607           | Program. Motion to approve made by Commissioner Dunham,   |
|                | seconded by <b>Commissioner Rogge</b> . The resolution passed (4 ayes, 0  |
|                | noes).  |
| RESOLUTION NO. | Accepting the transfer of property located at 1911-19 Matthews Place  |
| 7608           | from private owners to the Redevelopment Commission. Motion to  |
|                | approve made by Commissioner Whisenton, seconded by   |
|                | Commissioner Rogge. The resolution passed (4 ayes, 0 noes).   |
| RESOLUTION NO. | A motion was made by Commissioner Whisenton and seconded by   |
| 7609           | Commissioner Dunham to adopt Resolution 7609, authorizing the   |
|                | transfer of funds between the Capital Improvements and Professional   |
| DECOLUTION NO  | Services line items. The motion was carried by a vote of 4-0.   |
| RESOLUTION NO. | Awarding property at 3716 Massachusetts and authorizing a Purchase Agreement with Armand Investment Group. Motion to approve made         |
| 7610           | by Commissioner Whisenton, seconded by Commissioner Dunham.   |
|                | The resolution passed (4 ayes, 0 noes).   |
| RESOLUTION NO. | Authorizing and ratifying a Professional Services Contract with Smith   |
| 7611           | Sersic to coordinate Demolition Efforts. Motion to approve made by  |
| 7011           | Commissioner Rogge, seconded by Commissioner Whisenton. The   |
|                | resolution passed (4 ayes, 0 noes).   |
| RESOLUTION NO. | A motion was made by Commissioner Dunham and seconded by  |
| 7612           | Commissioner Whisenton to adopt Resolution 7612, authorizing a  |
|                | contract with Carriage House Studio for the provision of pre-approved   |
|                | housing templates. The motion was carried by a vote of 4-0.   |
| RESOLUTION NO. | Approving and authorizing the proposed Gary Redevelopment Special   |
| 7613           | Tax-Based Budget for Fiscal Year 2026. Motion to approve made by <b>Commissioner Whisenton</b> , seconded by <b>Commissioner Dunham</b> . |
|                | The resolution passed (4 ayes, 0 noes).   |
| RESOLUTION NO. | A motion was made by <b>Commissioner Rogge and seconded by</b>  |
| 7614           | Commissioner Dunham to adopt Resolution [Insert Resolution  |
| 7014           | Number Here], authorizing and approving the Donation Letter from  |
|                | the National Park Service concerning due diligence for property   |
|                | donations. The motion was carried by a vote of 4-0.   |
| RESOLUTION NO. | Approved (4-0): Authorizing Site Access Agreement for 6300 Miller   |
| 7615           | Avenue (Rear Lot).  |
| RESOLUTION NO. | Regarding the transfer of real property from the City of Gary to the City   |
| 7616           | of Gary Redevelopment Commission. Motion to approve made by   |
|                | Commissioner Whisenton, seconded by Commissioner Dunham.  |
|                | The resolution passed (4 ayes, 0 noes).   |

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#### 9. OTHER BUSINESS

I. **ACTION ITEM:** JOINT RESOLUTION REGARDING BLIGHT ELIMINATION UNDER SB434 AUTHORIZING THE RDA TO DEMOLISH CERTAIN BLIGHTED STRUCTURES WITHIN THE CITY OF GARY

**Joint Resolution Approved:** Authorizing RDA to demolish blighted structures under SB 434. Approved upon motion by Commissioner Rogge and seconded by Commissioner Whisenton. The motion passed unanimously.

- 10. DIRECTORS COMMENTS Director Harris made remarks
- 11. COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS
- 12. ADJOURNMENT The meeting ended at 5:45pm