

**MINUTES OF THE
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16, 2014

At a meeting of the **Economic Development Committee**, held Wednesday, April 16, 2014, in the Board Room, on the 9th Floor of the Administration Building, Mount Clemens, the following members were present:

Mijac-Chair, Carabelli-Vice-Chair, Boyle, Brown, Klinefelt, Mocerri, Smith and Flynn (ex-officio).

There being a quorum of the committee present, Chair Mijac called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

AGENDA

MOTION

A motion was made by Carabelli, supported by Smith, to adopt the agenda, as presented. **The Motion Carried.**

MINUTES

MOTION

A motion was made by Carabelli, supported by Boyle, to approve the February 4, 2014 minutes of this committee, as written. **The Motion Carried.**

Chair Mijac requested moving up #8b (2013 Economic Impact Report) because representatives from the Planning and Economic Development Department have another meeting. There were no objections.

2013 ECONOMIC IMPACT REPORT (INCLUDES DATA ON INVESTMENT, JOBS CREATED AND JOBS RETAINED AS A RESULT OF THE PED BUSINESS RETENTION PROGRAM)

Vicki Rad, Interim Assistant Director, and James Ahee, Senior Economic Development Specialist, were present. Ms. Rad summarized the report and noted some of the target sectors.

MOTION

A motion was made by Mocerri, supported by Carabelli, to receive and file the 2013 Economic Impact Report. **The Motion Carried.**

UPDATE ON THE REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY (RTA)

Roy Rose, Macomb County's representative, summarized the RTA's Year-end Report and highlighted some of their accomplishments for 2013 and plans for 2014.

Chair Mijac acknowledged Don Morandini, an RTA member candidate.

The following commissioners spoke: Carabelli, Flynn, Smith and Mocerri.

MOTION

A motion was made by Mocerri, supported by Smith, to receive and file the update on the Regional Transit Authority. **The Motion Carried.**

PRESENTATION ON MAT2 TRAINING PROGRAM

Chair Mijac introduced Tom Ruczynski, Senior Vice-President of Proper International Group. He congratulated them on receiving the Macomb Business Award for Workforce Development recently awarded by the County Executive. Mr. Ruczynski gave an overview of the MAT2 Training Program.

The following commissioners asked questions: Smith, Brown, Mijac, Mocerri and Carabelli.

MOTION

A motion was made by Mocerri, supported by Carabelli, to receive and file the presentation on the MAT2 Training Program. **The Motion Carried.**

MACOMB COUNTY PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BROCHURES

Andrew Kim, Director of Legislative Affairs, stated that brochures are available from the Planning and Economic Development Department and he asked commissioners to let him know if they would like copies.

SEMCOG COMPLETE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY FOR SE MICHIGAN

Chair Mijac stated that SEMCOG is requesting public feedback.

Mr. Kim noted that the report has been reviewed by Planning & Economic Development regional directors and he asked commissioners to submit any feedback to him or directly to SEMCOG.

The following commissioner spoke: Mijac.

MOTION

A motion was made by Klinefelt, supported by Boyle, to receive and file the SEMCOG Complete Economic Development Strategy for SE Michigan. **The Motion Carried.**

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Mijac adjourned the meeting at 9:50 a.m.



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Committee Reporter