TOWN OF MUNSTER MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION JULY 19, 2021

A regular meeting of the Munster Redevelopment Commission convened at 7:43 p.m. on Monday, July 19, 2021. At the time of this meeting, the country was facing a pandemic outbreak of the Coronavirus. In response, Indiana Governor Holcomb issued a series of Executive Orders which, among other things, declared a public health emergency and suspended various statutes. Executive Order 20-04 specifically addressed public meetings and the Open-Door Law. This Executive Order, along with the opinion of the Indiana Public Access Counselor, allows for meetings to be held in a virtual environment. Subsequent Executive Orders have extended this practice.

The announced meeting location was Munster Town Hall. Councilors, Staff, and the public had the option to participate via Zoom meeting technology.

Commissioners Andy Koultourides, Lee Ann Mellon, Ken Schoon, Steven Tulowitzki, and School Town of Munster Representative John Doherty were physically present in Town Hall. President Koultourides presided.

Also present in Town Hall were Executive Secretary Wendy Mis, Attorney David W. Westland, and Munster Representative to the Hammond Sanitary District Mike Hawkins. The public was given the information needed to access the meeting virtually and none took advantage of it. The news media were not represented.

The Redevelopment Commission has sought legal counsel and has performed its due diligence to the best of its ability in a highly unusual situation. The Redevelopment Commission believes it is acting in accordance with Indiana State law, the Governor's Executive Orders, and the interpretations and directives of other state agencies.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Because of the unique nature of this meeting, the Town of Munster accepted public comment submitted electronically. The public was informed, via the agenda posted at munster.org, that questions or comments about an item on the agenda were to be emailed to <u>danderson@munster.org</u>. No such submissions were received.

<u>Mr. Robert Thomas</u>, 8445 Manor asked about TIF bonds and how the interest is accounted for. Clerk-Treasurer Mis recommended Mr. Thomas speak with Controller Abbott. Mr. Thomas shared his telephone information for follow up with Ms. Abbott.

CONSENT AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of the regular meeting on June 21, 2021

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHER REGISTERS

Confirmation of Voucher Register #R 21-6F dated 06/24/21 totaling \$5,793.44 Confirmation of Voucher Register #R 21-7A dated 07/02/21 totaling \$4,559.96 Confirmation of Voucher Register #R 21-7B dated 07/16/21 totaling \$4,552.40 Approval of Voucher Register #R 21-7C dated 07/19/21 totaling \$7,509.00 Confirmation of Voucher Register #R 21-7D dated 07/19/21 totaling \$950.51

Commissioner Schoon moved, with a second by Commissioner Mellon, to approve the Consent Agenda as given. Commissioners Schoon, Mellon, Tulowitzki, and Koultourides voted in favor; none voted against. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Commission, and upon a motion by Commissioner Mellon seconded by Commissioner Tulowitzki, the meeting adjourned at 7:46 p.m. by voice vote.

Andy Koultourides, President

ATTEST:

Wendy Mis, Executive Secretary