



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

1200 N. Telegraph Road, Bldg. 12 East, Pontiac, MI 48341

Economic Development and Infrastructure Committee

Yolanda Smith Charles, Chair

November 8, 2023 at 9:30 AM

MINUTES

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chair Yolanda Smith Charles called the meeting of the Economic Development and Infrastructure Committee to order at 09:45 AM in BOC Committee Room A 1200 N. Telegraph Road, 12E, Pontiac, MI 48341.

2. Roll Call

MEMBERS PRESENT: Yolanda Smith Charles, Brendan Johnson, William Miller III, Ajay Raman, Christine Long, Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, David Woodward (Non-Voting) (8)

MEMBERS ABSENT WITH NOTICE: Michael Spisz (1)

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Brendan Johnson led the Committee in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Approval of Minutes

a. Board of Commissioners - dated October 11, 2023

Christine Long moved **approval of the Minutes dated October 11, 2023, as presented.** Seconded by Gwen Markham.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (7-0-0)

Yes: Christine Long, Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, William Miller III, Yolanda Smith Charles, Brendan Johnson, Ajay Raman

No: None

Abstain: None

5. Approval of Agenda

William Miller III moved **approval of the agenda, as presented.** Seconded by Ajay Raman.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (7-0-0)

Yes: Christine Long, Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, William Miller III, Yolanda Smith
Charles, Brendan Johnson, Ajay Raman
No: None
Abstain: None

Chair Yolanda Smith Charles requested a moment of silence in recognition of the passing of Commissioner Gary McGillivray.

6. Public Comment

None.

7. Communications

- a. **Board of Commissioners - 2023 Invasive Spongy Moth Suppression Program Final Report**
- b. **Treasurer's Office - Millage Revenue - Memo**
- c. **Economic Development - Oakland County Transit Division - SMART April-June 2023 Quarterly Report**
- d. **Economic Development - Oakland County Transit Division - Transit Forum Summary**
- e. **Economic Development - Oakland County Transit Division - 2024 Transit Provider Agreements**
- f. **Economic Development - Oakland County Transit Division - Administration of the Transit Millage Program**
Christine Long moved to **receive and file the attached Communications**.
Seconded by Ajay Raman.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (7-0-0)

Yes: Christine Long, Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, William Miller III, Yolanda Smith Charles, Brendan Johnson, Ajay Raman

No: None

Abstain: None

8. Presentations

- a. **Board of Commissioners - Oakland Thrive Program**
Laura Dodd, Chief Operating Officer, Oakland Thrive; Vicki Selva, Chief Executive Officer, Oakland Thrive; and Sean Carslon, Deputy County Executive, Oakland County, gave a presentation about the Oakland Thrive Program.

Gwen Markham moved to **receive and file the Oakland Thrive Program PowerPoint presentation**. Seconded by Ajay Raman.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (7-0-0)

Yes: Christine Long, Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, William Miller III, Yolanda Smith Charles, Brendan Johnson, Ajay Raman

No: None

Abstain: None

Due to time constraints, Chair Yolanda Smith Charles requested that the Broadband Update item be heard next. There were no objections.

c. Executive's Office - Broadband Update

Joe LaRussa, Mayor Pro Tem of the City of Farmington, and Sean Carlson gave an update on the Oakland County Broadband Feasibility Study.

Brendan Johnson moved to **receive and file the Oakland County Broadband Feasibility Study presentation**. Seconded by Philip Weipert.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (7-0-0)

Yes: Christine Long, Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, William Miller III, Yolanda Smith Charles, Brendan Johnson, Ajay Raman

No: None

Abstain: None

b. Economic Development - Business Development - DIAMOND Project - Phase II

Tom Kelly, Executive Director and CEO, Automation Alley; Pavan Muzumdar, Chief Operating Officer, Automation Alley; and Sean Carlson gave a presentation regarding Phase II of Project DIAMOND.

Gwen Markham moved to **receive and file the Project DIAMOND PowerPoint presentation**. Seconded by Christine Long.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (6-0-0)

Yes: Christine Long, Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, Yolanda Smith Charles, Brendan Johnson, Ajay Raman

No: None

Abstain: None

9. Consent Agenda

a. Board of Commissioners - Fiscal Year 2024 Appropriation with the Township of Holly for Tri-Party Road Improvement Program – Project No. 57282

- b. **Board of Commissioners - Fiscal Year 2024 Appropriation with the City of the Village of Clarkston for Tri-Party Road Improvement Program – Project No. 57501**

Christine Long moved to **recommend to Board the attached suggested resolutions on the Consent Agenda**. Seconded by Brendan Johnson.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (6-0-0)

Yes: Christine Long, Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, Yolanda Smith Charles, Brendan Johnson, Ajay Raman

No: None

Abstain: None

10. Regular Agenda

- a. **Economic Development - Oakland County Transit Division - 2023 No-Cost Amendment to NOTA Public Transportation Agreement**

- b. **Economic Development - Oakland County Transit Division - 2023 No-Cost Amendment to WOTA Public Transportation Agreement**

Philip Weipert moved to **recommend to Board the attached suggested resolutions for items 10a and 10b**. Seconded by Brendan Johnson.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (6-0-0)

Yes: Christine Long, Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, Yolanda Smith Charles, Brendan Johnson, Ajay Raman

No: None

Abstain: None

- c. **Economic Development - Planning and Local Business Development - Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding Between the County of Oakland and Charbone Corporation, USA**

Brendan Johnson moved to **recommend to Board the attached suggested resolution**. Seconded by Gwen Markham.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (6-0-0)

Yes: Christine Long, Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, Yolanda Smith Charles, Brendan Johnson, Ajay Raman

No: None

Abstain: None

- d. **Economic Development - Interlocal Agreement with the City of Novi for 2023 MiCareerQuest Southeast Event**

Ajay Raman moved to **recommend to Board the attached suggested resolution**. Seconded by Gwen Markham.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (5-0-0)

Yes: Christine Long, Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, Yolanda Smith Charles,
Ajay Raman

No: None

Abstain: None

11. Public Comment

None.

12. Other Business/Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:49 AM.

NOTE: The foregoing minutes are subject to Committee approval.