



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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

Economic Development and Infrastructure Committee

Yolanda Smith Charles, Chair
December 4, 2024 at 9:30 AM

MINUTES

1. Call Meeting to Order

Vice Chair Brendan Johnson called the meeting of the Economic Development and Infrastructure Committee to order at 09:35 AM in Committee Room A 1200 N. Telegraph Road, 12 E, Pontiac, MI 48341.

2. Roll Call

MEMBERS PRESENT: Michael Spisz; Christine Long; Philip Weipert; Gwen Markham; Brendan Johnson; Ajay Raman; David Woodward, Ex-Officio; Yolanda Smith Charles (Remote/Non-Voting) (8)

MEMBERS ABSENT WITH NOTICE: William Miller III (1)

3. Pledge of Allegiance

Vice Chair Brendan Johnson led the Committee in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. Approval of Minutes

a. Board of Commissioners - dated November 13, 2024 (including Closed Session)

Ajay Raman moved **approval of the Minutes dated November 13, 2024 (including Closed Session), as presented.** Seconded by Christine Long.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (6-0-0)

Yes: Michael Spisz, Christine Long, Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, Brendan Johnson, Ajay Raman

No: None

Abstain: None

5. Approval of Agenda

Michael Spisz moved **approval of the agenda, as presented.** Seconded by Gwen Markham.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (6-0-0)

Yes: Michael Spisz, Christine Long, Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, Brendan Johnson, Ajay Raman

No: None

Abstain: None

6. Public Comment

None.

7. Communications

- a. **Economic Development - Airport Committee Meeting Minutes from October 16, 2024**

- b. **Facilities Management - 2025 Anticipated Resolutions Report**

- c. **Economic Development - Monthly Report - Oakland Thrive - Business Forward Initiative**

Christine Long moved to **receive and file the attached Communications**.
Seconded by Philip Weipert.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (6-0-0)

Yes: Michael Spisz, Christine Long, Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, Brendan Johnson, Ajay Raman

No: None

Abstain: None

8. Consent Agenda

- a. **Board of Commissioners - Fiscal Year 2025 Appropriation with Rose Township for Tri-Party Road Improvement Program – Project No. 58011**

Michael Spisz moved to **recommend to Board the proposed Board Action**. Seconded by Ajay Raman.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (5-0-0)

Yes: Michael Spisz, Christine Long, Gwen Markham, Brendan Johnson, Ajay Raman

No: None

Abstain: None

9. County Executive Department Recommendations

- a. **Executive's Office - County Executive Appointment of Dom L. Holmes as Oakland County's Economic Development Director**

Gwen Markham moved to **recommend to Board the proposed Board Action**. Seconded by Michael Spisz.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (6-0-0)

Yes: Michael Spisz, Christine Long, Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, Brendan Johnson, Ajay Raman

No: None

Abstain: None

10. Economic Development Department Recommendations

- a. **Economic Development - Veterans Services - Grant Acceptance from Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency for the FY 2025 County Veterans Service Fund Grant**

Philip Weipert moved to **forward to Finance the proposed Board Action.**

Seconded by Ajay Raman.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (6-0-0)

Yes: Michael Spisz, Christine Long, Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, Brendan Johnson, Ajay Raman

No: None

Abstain: None

- b. **Economic Development - Veterans Services - Interlocal Agreement between SMART and Oakland County for FY 2025 Veterans Transportation**

Ajay Raman moved to **recommend to Board the proposed Board Action.** Seconded by Philip Weipert.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (6-0-0)

Yes: Michael Spisz, Christine Long, Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, Brendan Johnson, Ajay Raman

No: None

Abstain: None

- c. **Economic Development - Aviation and Transportation - Grant Acceptance from the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) for Improvement of Runway Lighting at the Oakland/Troy Airport**

Gwen Markham moved to **recommend to Board the proposed Board Action.** Seconded by Christine Long.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (6-0-0)

Yes: Michael Spisz, Christine Long, Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, Brendan Johnson, Ajay Raman

No: None

Abstain: None

- d. **Economic Development - Aviation and Transportation - Airport Land Lease Termination with WLA Holdings, LLC**

- e. **Economic Development - Aviation and Transportation - Airport Land Lease with Boardwalk Hangar Co., LLC**

Ajay Raman moved to **recommend to Board the proposed Board Actions for the Economic Development Department Items 10d and 10e.** Seconded by Michael Spisz.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (6-0-0)

Yes: Michael Spisz, Christine Long, Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, Brendan Johnson, Ajay Raman

No: None

Abstain: None

11. Facilities Management Department Recommendations

- a. **Facilities Management - Oakland County Energy Study**

Michael Spisz moved to **forward to Finance the proposed Board Action.** Seconded by Brendan Johnson.

Motion Failed.

Vote Summary (2-4-0)

Yes: Gwen Markham, Ajay Raman

No: Michael Spisz, Christine Long, Philip Weipert, Brendan Johnson

Abstain: None

- b. **Facilities Management - Central Garage Roof Replacement**

Michael Spisz moved to **forward to Finance the proposed Board Action.** Seconded by Philip Weipert.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (6-0-0)

Yes: Michael Spisz, Christine Long, Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, Brendan Johnson, Ajay Raman

No: None

Abstain: None

- c. **Facilities Management - Joint Project Agreement (JPA) Modification with the U.S. Department of Commerce (USDOC) for use of Office Space in Annex I Building**

Michael Spisz moved to **recommend to Board the attached suggested resolution.** Seconded by Philip Weipert.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (6-0-0)

Yes: Michael Spisz, Christine Long, Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, Brendan Johnson, Ajay Raman
No: None
Abstain: None

12. Office of Sustainability Recommendations

- a. **Office of Sustainability - Memorandum of Understanding between Oakland County and ENERGYWERX for US Department of Energy Voucher Program**
- b. **Office of Sustainability - Memorandum of Understanding between Oakland County and 5Lakes Energy for US Department of Energy Voucher Program**

COMMITTEE RECESSED AT 10:35 AM
COMMITTEE RECONVENED AT 10:36 AM

Michael Spisz moved to **recommend to Board the proposed Board Actions for Office of Sustainability Items 12a and 12b**. Seconded by Christine Long.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (6-0-0)
Yes: Michael Spisz, Christine Long, Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, Brendan Johnson, Ajay Raman
No: None
Abstain: None

COMMITTEE RECESSED AT 10:39 AM
COMMITTEE RECONVENED AT 10:48 AM

Brendan Johnson moved to **reconsider the vote for Item 11a**. Seconded by David Woodward.

Motion Failed.

Vote Summary (3-4-0)
Yes: David Woodward, Gwen Markham, Brendan Johnson
No: Michael Spisz, Christine Long, Philip Weipert, Ajay Raman
Abstain: None

COMMITTEE RECESSED AT 10:52 AM
COMMITTEE RECONVENED AT 10:57 AM

Ajay Raman moved to **reconsider the previous vote to reconsider the vote for Item 11a**. Seconded by David Woodward.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (4-3-0)
Yes: David Woodward, Gwen Markham, Brendan Johnson, Ajay Raman
No: Michael Spisz, Christine Long, Philip Weipert

Abstain: None

Return to motion to reconsider the vote for Item 11a.

Brendan Johnson moved to **reconsider the vote for Item 11a**. Seconded by David Woodward.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (4-3-0)

Yes: David Woodward, Gwen Markham, Brendan Johnson, Ajay Raman

No: Michael Spisz, Christine Long, Philip Weipert

Abstain: None

Return to motion to forward to Finance the proposed Board Action for Item 11a.

Michael Spisz moved to **forward to Finance the proposed Board Action for Item 11a**. Seconded by **Brendan Johnson**.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (4-3-0)

Yes: David Woodward, Gwen Markham, Ajay Raman, Brendan Johnson

No: Michael Spisz, Christine Long, Philip Weipert,

Abstain: None

(Per Robert's Rules of Order, a motion to reconsider a motion to reconsider is not in order.)

13. Closed Session

a. Facilities Management - Authorization to Negotiate the Purchase of Property

Gwen Markham moved to **enter into closed session for the purpose of consider the purchase or lease of property**. Seconded by Michael Spisz.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (7-0-0)

Yes: David Woodward, Michael Spisz, Christine Long, Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, Brendan Johnson, Ajay Raman

No: None

Abstain: None

The Committee went into closed session at 11:06 AM

The Committee resumed in open session at 11:17 AM

Gwen Markham moved that **Facilities Management be authorized to proceed in accordance with the directives discussed in closed session**. Seconded

by Philip Weipert.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (7-0-0)

Yes: David Woodward, Michael Spisz, Christine Long, Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, Brendan Johnson, Ajay Raman

No: None

Abstain: None

b. Facilities Management - Authorization to Negotiate the Purchase of Property

Philip Weipert moved to **enter into closed session for the purpose of considering the purchase or lease of property**. Seconded by Ajay Raman.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (7-0-0)

Yes: David Woodward, Michael Spisz, Christine Long, Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, Brendan Johnson, Ajay Raman

No: None

Abstain: None

The Committee went into closed session at 11:18 AM

The Committee resumed in open session at 11:29 AM

Ajay Raman moved that **Facilities Management be authorized to proceed in accordance with the directives discussed in closed session**. Seconded by Gwen Markham.

Motion Passed.

Vote Summary (7-0-0)

Yes: David Woodward, Michael Spisz, Christine Long, Philip Weipert, Gwen Markham, Brendan Johnson, Ajay Raman

No: None

Abstain: None

14. Public Comment

None.

15. Other Business/Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:31 AM.

NOTE: The foregoing minutes are subject to Committee approval.