

CITY OF CHARLEVOIX
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY/MAIN STREET SPECIAL MEETING
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Wednesday, June 10, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.
Virtual Zoom Meeting

1. Call to Order

2. Roll Call

Chair: Maureen Owens
Members Present: Richard Christner, Kirby Dipert, Luther Kurtz
City Staff: Lindsey Dotson, Executive Director

3. Inquiry Regarding Conflicts of Interest

4. Old Business

A. Executive Committee Review of Survey Questions

Chair Owens stated that the purpose of the Executive Committee meeting was to review the survey questions that have been compiled so that they can get the survey out with enough time that the downtown business owners and property owners can reply and get the results to the City Council on June 15th.

Mayor Kurtz felt that the questions fairly represent what the DDA wanted, and Member Christner stated that he was good with the questions as well. Member Dipert stated that he was in favor of an earlier version that had a notation on question #1 that some felt this might prove to be negative for their business. Mayor Kurtz stated that he asked to take out the language that said, "it was going to damage businesses because we don't know that and we're asking people their opinion". His preference would be that they let each person give their own opinion based on how they feel its going to impact them, not how they feel it is going to impact others. Member Dipert stated that a compromise could be to eliminate the three options for answers and just use yes or no. Chair Owen stated she liked the three options because the second one represents that the business owners are concerned about the safety of their customers.

Motion by Member Christner, second by Mayor Kurtz to approve distribution of the survey to downtown business and property owners via email so that results can be compiled and shared with members of City Council at the Monday, June 15th meeting. Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.

Mayor Kurtz asked Director Dotson to get the results by Monday morning, so they were in the Council's agenda packet before the meeting.

Member Dipert questioned how the survey was going to be distributed to business and property owners. Director Dotson stated that someone who fit both categories could check both options on the first question.

Chair Owens stated that the members should be receiving via email the petition that the downtown business and property owners have had circulating that supports the survey.

5. Public Comments

6. Request for Future Agenda Items

7. Adjourn

Motion by Member Dipert, second by Mayor Kurtz to adjourn the special meeting at 10:13 a.m. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Joyce Golding/fgm

Maureen Owens

Chair