



**CITY OF WALLED LAKE**  
**DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**  
**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2018**

The Meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Allen, Atwell, Ambrose, Blair, Fernandes, Lublin, Marshal, Shuman

**ABSENT:** Ackley, Easter, Wlodarczyk

There being a quorum present, the meeting was declared in session.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Deputy Managing Director Pesta, Finance Director Barlass, Deputy Clerk Gross, Police Lt. Kolke, Council Member Owsinek, Council Member Costanzo

**REQUESTS FOR AGENDA CHANGES:** None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**DDA 10-01-18 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER 11, 2018 MEETING**

Motion by Blair, supported by Shuman: CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To approve the minutes from the September 11, 2018 meeting.

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:**

Councilman Costanzo said he is following up with last month's presentation on the military banner program. Mr. Costanzo said he talked about getting some prices. Mr. Costanzo said he spoke to the Northville Chamber of Commerce and they are a little different down there as far as us with their residents. Mr. Costanzo said the program is about \$250 and the residents pay for the banner themselves. If the residents can't afford it then they offer a sponsor program through local businesses. Mr. Costanzo said they have one person that runs the program and coordinates the photographs and the information from each veteran. Mr. Costanzo said that is in Northville's handout that he gave to the board and there is a little bit of story of the military vets. Mr. Costanzo also said there are brochures on their website for the public to see. Mr. Costanzo said the program is ran by the Chamber of Commerce rather than their DDA. Mr. Costanzo said our Chamber of Commerce encompasses more than Northville's. Mr. Costanzo stated most of the cost is in the flag itself and we have the light poles already. Mr. Costanzo suggested that the board form a committee to reach out to sponsors to pay for it unless they wanted to pay for it themselves. Mr. Costanzo said he doesn't think Walled Lake spending \$250 on the banners will be reality. Mr. Costanzo said he would really like for the DDA to explore the program.

Board member Fernandes asked Mr. Costanzo if he is a veteran.

Mr. Costanzo stated he is not a veteran but his son is currently serving.

Mr. Whitt said this sounds like a really good idea and it is a good idea. Northville is doing it right, they are doing it through their Chamber of Commerce. That is where these kinds of things are done, not through the DDA and not through the city. Mr. Whitt explained this program has nothing to do with DDA. Mr. Whitt said the city is preparing a ceremony for its Veterans on Veterans Day. Mr. Whitt said he expects Mr. Owsinek and Mr. Robertson, the veterans of our council to be there. Mr. Whitt stated he is a veteran and he served. Mr. Whitt said he is sensitive to people who use veteran issues to get votes or get elected, these actions are stolen valor. Mr. Whitt said he believes Mr. Costanzo is doing this for political reasons and he is offended by what Mr. Costanzo does and how he does it. Mr. Whitt said he comes to the DDA saying he is here as a resident but then he submits a packet he took from Northville that says on it he is a Walled Lake Councilman. Mr. Whitt said Councilman Costanzo stood on the last Memorial Day parade with a marine shirt on to get votes, I'm offended by his stolen valor. Mr. Whitt said he does not like what Mr. Costanzo does and he is stating it out loud.

**1. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**2. NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Resolution 2018-01 Limiting the storm water pollution

Deputy managing director Pesta explained the purpose of resolution 2018-01 is for the resubmittal of the grant for the downtown storm water improvements that was denied back in June. Mrs. Pesta said it is the exact same resolution the board passed in 2017.

**DDA 10-02-18            MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2018-01 LIMITING THE STORM WATER POLLUTION**

Motion by Fernandes, supported by Shuman: CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To approve resolution 2018-01 limiting the storm water pollution.

**DDA 10-03-18            MOTION TO SEND A COPY OF THE RESOLUTION 2018-01 TO DDA, SENATOR AND STATE REPRESENTATIVE**

Motion by Fernandes, supported by Lublin: CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To send a copy of the resolution 2018-01 to DDA, Senator, State Representative.

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT:**

1. Update – Community Education Center

Executive Director Whitt provided an update on the Community Education Center. Mr. Whitt said the building has been officially demolished. Mr. Whitt explained the DDA board needs to start the discussion about rezoning the property. Mr. Whitt explained this is an opportunity for the DDA to get the property developed in a beneficial way for the city.

**3. CORRESPONDENCE:** None

**4. WARRANT REPORT:** None

**DDA 10-04-18            MOVE TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE WARRANT FOR  
SEPTEMBER 2018:**

Motion by Lublin, supported by Shuman: CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To receive and file the warrant for September 2018.

**5. ADJOURNMENT:**

**DDA 10-05-18            ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Lublin, seconded by Shuman; CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To adjourn the meeting at 4:45 p.m.

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Miranda Gross  
Deputy Clerk

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Casey Ambrose  
DDA Chairman