



Economic Development Board Meeting Minutes, September 9, 2026

The meeting was called to order at 12:04 p.m. Open meeting laws noted in the City Office.

Members Present: Darcy Johnson, Jan tenBensel, Derek Downer, Jo Lee Ebbers, Lori Harding, Randy Heitmann, Jason Weiss

Members Absent: Tom Shoemaker, Jarod Albers

Others Present: Melissa Jackson

Consent Approval of Financials/Invoices and Minutes and Bills: The Board reviewed the August financials. A motion was made by Jason Weiss, seconded by Jo Lee Ebbers, to approve the financials. Motion carried.

New Business:

Melissa Jackson gave an activities report.

The Board reviewed the Public Benefit fund use application and made minor edits. The program will be consistent with other Economic Development programs where individuals or businesses can receive 75% of the project cost up to \$10,000.

The Board reviewed the Hair by Megs façade grant application. A motion was made by Randy Heitmann, seconded by Derek Downer, to approve the application. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed the Nicholas Mohr Down Payment Assistance application. A motion was made by Jason Weiss, seconded by Jan tenBensel, to approve the application. Randy Heitmann abstained. Motion carried.

Project Updates:

Melissa Jackson presented August social media statistical results.

Workforce housing: still have \$1.5 million in the Rural Workforce Housing fund for rehab or new builds.

Public Comment:

None.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for October 14, 2026, at 12:00 p.m. at the City offices.