Draft Minutes
Joint Local Development Finance Authority Troy Subcommittee
Regular Meeting of October 25, 2021

The meeting, held at Troy City Council Chambers, was called to order at 4:03 p.m. by Chair Robin Beltramini.

Members Present: Robin Beltramini (Chair)
Ethan Baker (Alternate)
Ellen Hodorek (Alternate)
Louis Starks (County Representative)

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Lori Bluhm, City Attorney
Tom Kelly, Executive Director & CEO of Automation Alley
Glenn Lapin, Secretary/Treasurer
Dave Michalik, Troy IT Department
Mark F. Miller, City Manager
Advait Rode, City Manager's Office Intern

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Resolution # LDFA Subcommittee 2021-10-01
Moved by Baker
Seconded by Hodorek

RESOLVED, that the LDFA Subcommittee approve the minutes of the April 26, 2021 meeting.

Yeas: 4
Nays: 0

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

A. 2022 Regular Meeting Schedule

The 2022 LDFA regular meeting dates are April 25th (Troy Subcommittee only) and October 24th (Joint LDFA and Troy Subcommittee).

B. Automation Alley SmartZone Program Update

Glenn Lapin provided an overview of the Troy SmartZone Program. The third and final phase of Automation Alley's parking lot infrastructure improvements has

been completed. Local LDFA financial support of the infrastructure project was as follows:

Phase I -	$63,631.22 (3-25-19)
Phase II -	$75,264 (11-6-20)
Phase III -	$85,165.72 (8-24-21)
TOTAL	**$224,060.94**

Discussion has begun with Automation Alley regarding potential future infrastructure projects, including the possibility of adding fast charge electric vehicle charging stations.

Tom Kelly, Executive Director & CEO of Automation Alley, provided an overview of Automation Alley's current initiatives. Mr. Kelly expressed his appreciation to the LDFA and the City of Troy for supporting Automation Alley's infrastructure improvements.

Automation Alley is a World Economic Forum Advanced Manufacturing Hub designee for North America – the world's first designee through this program. AMHUB is based at Automation Alley's headquarters in Troy and will be connected globally through the World Economic Forum, the Switzerland-based international organization for public-private cooperation that engages the foremost political, business and other leaders of society to shape global, regional and industry agendas.

Automation Alley is the recipient of a $1.3m grant from the U.S. Economic Development Administration's (EDA) Office of Innovation & Entrepreneurship through its Build to Scale Program. This is Automation Alley's first time receiving the grant, which was awarded for Automation Alley's Industry 4.0 Accelerator. Automation Alley will use the money from the *Build to Scale Program* to grow the I4.0 Accelerator, aiming to attract best-in-class advanced manufacturing technology companies from around the world.

Automation Alley, funded by CARES dollars through Oakland and Macomb counties, has created Project DIAMOnD to address the urgent need to move companies into the digital manufacturing age of Industry 4.0 as fast as possible to help improve our region's manufacturing agility and response to future disruptions. Participating companies receive a production part capable 3D printer valued at more than $20,000 **at no-cost.** Approximately 250 Oakland County companies have benefited from the program. A Phase II of the program is in the works.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

The next scheduled meeting is April 25, 2022 – 3:30 p.m.

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Chair **Date**

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Secretary **Date**