

**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
CITY OF RAMSEY
ANOKA COUNTY
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

The City of Ramsey Economic Development Authority (EDA) conducted a regular meeting on Thursday, February 11, 2021, at the Ramsey Municipal Center, 7550 Sunwood Drive NW, Ramsey, Minnesota.

Members Present: Acting Chairperson Brian Burandt
 Member Scott Cords
 Member Ryan Heineman
 Member Chelsea Howell
 Member Chris Riley

Members Absent: Chairperson Jim Steffen

Also Present: Sean Sullivan, Economic Development Manager
 Tim Gladhill, Deputy City Administrator
 Kurt Ulrich, City Administrator

1. CALL TO ORDER

Acting Chairperson Burandt called the Economic Development Authority meeting to order at 7:30 a.m.

4. EDA BUSINESS

4.04: Consider Participation in Riverdale Drive Reconstruction Project: Dolomite Street Removal/Lot Configuration

Economic Development Manager Sullivan presented the staff report.

Member Cords asked if this would count towards any funding the City would be required to contribute to Highway 10 updates.

Deputy City Administrator Gladhill commented that is generally the intent of they City but cannot confirm that with certainty.

Member Heineman asked what type of business may desire a location that close to the highway without direct access.

Economic Development Manager Sullivan stated that Highway 10 exposure cannot be underestimated. He provided examples of different destination businesses that have looked at this site, noting that the site could work for a number of different uses. He stated that visibility from

Highway 10 is important for many businesses. He stated that the triangular shaped lot and issue of stormwater has hurt the marketability of the site and therefore making the site square would make it more desirable.

Motion by Member Cords, seconded by Member Heineman, to recommend to City Council to authorize the Dolomite Street Removal and to allocate \$50,000 from the EDA cash balance to fund the City portion of the project.

A roll call vote was performed:

Member Cords	aye
Member Heineman	aye
Member Riley	aye
Member Howell	aye
Acting Chairperson Burandt	aye

Motion carried.

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