

**City of St. Charles**  
**Economic Development Authority**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Minutes**  
**March 7<sup>th</sup>, 2014**

1. Meeting was called to order at 8:00am at City Hall by Greg Gall. Present were: Gall, Dan Pearson, Bill Spitzer, Bill DeBruyckere, Wayne Getz, Greg Backes, Mark Linderbaum, WHKS – Tim Hruska, CEDA – Ron Zeigler, EDA Coordinator Cris Gastner, and City Administrator Nick Koverman

2. **Financials:** The financials were discussed and approved

3. **Business Items:**

a. Commercial Rehab Program Applications

Gastner presented the first commercial rehab program application. It was for Thymeless Flowers, who is looking to do new windows and doors, brickwork and stuccowork on the building. The estimate for each project was presented. With the cost of the improvements being well over \$20,000, the request was for the program maximum of \$10,000. The review committee had discussed the request and recommends approval. A motion was made by DeBruyckere and seconded by Spitzer for approval. All ayes, Motion carries.

Gastner then presented the second request which was for White Rose Bridal, they are reroofing their building With the cost of the improvements being well over \$20,000, the request was for the program maximum of \$10,000. The review committee discussed the request, and recommends approval. A motion was made by Pearson and seconded by DeBruyckere to approve the requests. All ayes, motion carries.

b. Downtown Beautification Plan

Koverman and Tim Hruska from WHKS presented the board with information regarding the development of a downtown beautification plan through WHKS. The plan will target Whitewater Ave. between 9<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> streets and the area in front of the elementary school. The plan once developed will be used to apply for funding through programs like Safe Routes To School and others. The investment for the plan will be \$13,900 and will be completed by July of this year, and the funds will come out of the Rochester Sales Tax dollars. A motion was made by Linderbaum and seconded by Backes to recommend to City Council that they move forward with the plan. All Ayes, motion carries.

c. CEDA

CEDA President/CEO Ron Zeigler addressed the Board to thank them for their continued support of CEDA and update them on happenings of the corporation.

d. Updates

Koverman and Gastner updated the Board about some ongoing projects.

Meeting was adjourned.