

ANN ARBOR DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
Executive Committee Meeting
Wednesday, May 3, 2023

Place: DDA Office, 150, S. Fifth Ave., Suite 301, Ann Arbor, MI 48104

Time: 11:30 am

Present: Micah Bartelme, Kelley Graves, Tyler Kinley, Jessica A.S. Letaw, Maura Thomson

Staff: Sara McCallum

Public: Peter Honeyman/Resident

The Committee reviewed the board meeting agenda.

Executive Director Search: Mr. Kinley said he and Mr. Bartelme discussed the Executive Director search with Ms. Thomson and Ms. McCallum, looking at three paths forward-hiring an outside search firm, utilizing City HR, or hiring someone directly. Mr. Kinley provided staff with a draft timeline of the last Executive Director search. Staff will incorporate additional process detail and provide an analysis of the three hiring options. The Committee requested that staff provide their recommendation. It is anticipated that this information will be provided to the Board in June for discussion and make decision in July about which option the Board supports and how the process will move forward.

DDA Meeting Format Change: The Committee discussed staff's proposed change in committee meeting structure to a work session format. All committee work, other than Executive Committee, would be incorporated into a monthly work session. The Executive Committee would remain a standing committee. The work session format would maximize time and efficiency for Board members and staff. It was noted this format would be in-line with other City boards and commissions. There was consensus to bring the recommendation to the Board for consideration. Questions were asked and answered.

Public Comment: Mr. Honeyman said he hopes there will be a way for the Affordable Housing/Economic Development Committee partners to continue to share information.

Adjournment: There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 11:55 am.

Respectfully submitted,
Kelley A. Graves, Board Secretary