



Planning Board

Monroe County, New York

Adam J. Bello
County Executive

William Santos
Chairperson

Monroe County Planning Board Meeting Minutes July 28, 2022

A meeting of the Monroe County Planning Board was held on July 28, 2022, at 3:30 pm via Zoom.

Members Present: Mike Wiedemer, MCPB Vice Chair; Andrew Hollister, Citizen member; Orlando Rivera, Citizen member; Robert Barley, Citizen member; Andrae Evans, Citizen member; George Hebert, Co. Legislator; Rachel Barnhart, Co. Legislator; Robert Franklin, CFO, Finance; Mike Garland, Director, DES; Jeff McCann, Dep. Co. Exec.; Amy Grower, Chief of Staff

Alternates Present: Adrienne Green, Secretary, Law Dept.; Laura Smith, Chief Dep. Co. Atty., Law Dept.; Josette Mangieri, Sr. Debt Mgmt. Coordinator, Finance Dept.; Kristina Daugherty, Emerg. Mgmt. Prgm. Specialist, Pub. Safety; Sean Murphy, Chief Engineer, DES

Co. Planning Staff Present: Rochelle Bell, Board Secretary; Kim Hudson, Asst. to the Board Secretary; Lyrica Yanaway, Intern

Others Present: MCC: Quent Rhodes and Gregory Hinton
Parks: Patrick Meredith, Tom Morrissey, Steve Lacy
GTC: Jim Stack, Jody Binnix
Dennis Braniecki, Mainfreight, Inc.

Vice Chair Wiedemer called the meeting to order at 3:31 pm.

Mr. Franklin made a motion to approve the June 23, 2022 meeting minutes; Mr. Hebert seconded the motion; the June 23, 2022 minutes were approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & COMMUNICATIONS: The Planning Board received a letter from NYS Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation (SHPO) re: Crosman Terrace Historic District (21 to 188 Crosman Terrace in Rochester); the district will be considered by SHPO at its Sept. 8 meeting for nomination to the National and State Registers of Historic Places.

ACTION ITEMS: The following projects were submitted to the Board for consideration.

- a) **Amend the 2022-2027 Capital Improvement Program to Advance the Monroe Community College Applied Technology Center – S.T.E.M. Addition from 2023 to 2022 and Amend the 2022 Capital Budget to Increase Funding by \$34,634,000 for the Monroe Community College Applied Technology Center – S.T.E.M. Addition from \$0 to \$34, 634,000, making the total project authorization \$34,634.000.**

Mr. Quent Rhodes and Mr. Gregory Hinton, both from MCC, were present to speak to the Board on the Applied Technology Center – S.T.E.M. addition project, and answer any questions the Board may have. Mr. Rhodes provided a PowerPoint presentation; see attached.

Mr. Hebert made a motion to recommend an amendment to the 2022-2027 Capital Improvement Program to advance the Monroe Community College Applied Technology Center – S.T.E.M. Addition from 2023 to 2022 and amend the 2022 Capital Budget to increase funding by \$34,634,000 for the Monroe Community College Applied Technology Center – S.T.E.M. Addition from \$0 to \$34,634,000, making the total project authorization \$34,634,000. Mr. Evans seconded the motion, which was approved.

- b) **Amend the 2022-2027 Capital Improvement Program to advance the “Tropical Exhibit and Main Entry Plaza” project from 2023 to 2022 and retitle the project as “Tropical Exhibit and Main Entry Plaza, Phase 2” in the amount of \$64,120,000; and recommend an amendment to the 2022 Capital Budget to increase funding for the “Tropical Exhibit and Main Entry Plaza, Phase 2” project in the amount of \$38,780,000, making the total project authorization \$102,900,000.**

Mr. Murphy, from DES, provided a PowerPoint presentation to the Board; see attached.

Discussion ensued re: building materials, timeline, funding, market and operational studies. Copies of operational and market studies were requested as was a Zoo Economic Impact Analysis (may be available from Visit Rochester).

Mr. Franklin made a motion to recommend an amendment to the 2022-2027 Capital Improvement Program to advance the “Tropical Exhibit and Main Entry Plaza” project from 2023 to 2022 and retitle the project as “Tropical Exhibit and Main Entry Plaza, Phase 2” in the amount of \$64,120,000; and recommend an amendment to the 2022 Capital Budget to increase funding for the “Tropical Exhibit and Main Entry Plaza, Phase 2” project in the amount of \$38,780,000, making the total project authorization \$102,900,000. Ms. Barnhart seconded the motion; the motion passed with Mr. Hebert abstaining.

- c) **Amend the 2022-2027 Capital Improvement Program and the 2022 Capital Budget to Add a Project Entitled “Multimodal Freight Initiative Planning Project” in the amount of \$1,000,000.**

Mr. Murphy provided a PowerPoint presentation for this project also; see attached.

Mr. Evans made a motion to recommend an amendment to the 2022-2027 Capital Improvement Program and the 2022 Capital Budget to add a project entitled “Multimodal Freight Initiative Planning Project” in the amount of \$1,000,000. Mr. McCann seconded the motion, which was approved by the Board.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Ms. Bell reported that Plan Forward, Monroe County’s Comprehensive Plan, in conjunction with the Countywide Active Transportation Plan, held a public workshop/open house on June 29th at the Olmstead Lodge in Highland Park. It was well attended and the comments are being compiled. Patrick Gooch, Sr. Planner with the Dept. of Planning & Development, attended Zoo Brew last Friday and spoke

with many people from all over the County, from all walks of life, about the Comprehensive Plan. Next week we will continue the process of gathering information from County Departments.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING DATE: August 25, 2022 at 3:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Hebert made a motion to adjourn; Mr. Hollister seconded the motion, which carried unanimously; the meeting adjourned at 4:37 pm.

RB/kmh

