

MINUTES
GROVES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER
GROVES CITY HALL
July 7, 2025

Item 1: EDC President Letha Knaus called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Item 2: Prayer was given by Letha Knaus.

Item 3: Pledge was given by Letha Knaus.

Item 4: Roll Call was taken by Lamar Ozley.

IN ATTENDANCE: Letha Knaus, Karen Theis, Ken Loftin, Chad Gary, Melissa Hoyt, Lane Howlett, Brandon Monk, Lamar Ozley.

Absent: Kirk Gillespie

Item 5: EDC President Letha Knaus welcomed all guest and news media.

ITEM 6: Reports from either Director, Board Members, or G.E.D.C. staff.

Discussion between EDC members.

Item 7: EDC President Letha Knaus called for Citizen Comments. There were none.

ITEM 8: DELIBERATE AND ACT TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MAY 27, 2025, G.E.D.C MEETING.

Melissa Hoyt made a motion to Deliberate and act to approve the minutes of the May 27, 2025, G.E.D.C meeting; Karen Theis made a second to vote on the motion. Knaus, Theis, Loftin, Gary, & Hoyt vote Yes, Howlett abstained.

ITEM 9: DELIBERATE AND ACT ON AWARDING A G.E.D.C. GRANT REIMBURSEMENT TO GROVES LAUNDRY BASKET LOCATED AT 5900 39TH STREET FOR SIGNAGE.

Chad Gary made a motion to deliberate and act on awarding a G.E.D.C. grant reimbursement to Groves Laundry Basket located at 5900 39th Street for signage; Karen Theis made a second to vote on the motion. Ozley immediately made a verbal correction regarding the amount to be \$2047.81 and not the amount of \$2182.11 on the agenda item form. Discussion between EDC members and the applicant. Chad Gary amended his motion to deliberate and act on awarding a G.E.D.C. grant reimbursement in the amount of \$2047.81 to Groves Laundry Basket located at 5900 39th Street for signage; Karen Theis made a second to vote on the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 10: DELIBERATE AND ACT ON AWARDING A G.E.D.C. GRANT REIMBURSEMENT TO MAISON D' AMIS VENUE LOCATED AT 4343 LINCOLN AVENUE FOR EXTERIOR REMODELING AND FURNISHINGS.

Ken Loftin made a motion to deliberate and act on awarding a G.E.D.C. grant reimbursement to Maison D' Amis Venue located at 4343 Lincoln Avenue for exterior remodeling and furnishings. Lane Howlett made a second to vote on the motion. Discussion between EDC members and the applicant regarding new guidelines benefiting the business. Lane Howlett moved to table the motion awarding a G.E.D.C. grant reimbursement to Mason D Amis Venue located at 4343 Lincoln Avenue for exterior remodeling and furnishings; Ken Loftin made a second to table the motion. Motion to table passed unanimously.

ITEM 11: DELIBERATE AND ACT ON UPDATED GRANT GUIDELINES AND APPLICATIONS.

Ken Loftin made a motion to deliberate and act on updated grant guidelines and applications; Karen Theis made a second to vote on the motion. Discussion between EDC members. Karen Theis moved to table the motion to deliberate and act on updated grant guidelines and applications; Lane Howlett made a second to table the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM 12: GEDC MEMBER COMMENTS

ITEM 13: ADJOURN

Meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.