

City of Merrill
Meeting of Redevelopment Authority (RDA)

Wednesday, April 19, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.
City Hall Common Council Chambers

RDA Present: Clyde Nelson, Derek Woellner, Steve Sabatke, Lori Anderson-Malm, and Val Mindak (Remote)

RDA Absent: Sheila Polak and Tony Kusserow,

Others: Alderpersons Rick Blake, Steve Hass, and Weix, Alderpersons-Elect Mike “Gus” Caylor, LaDonna Fermanich, and Dick Lupton, Finance Director Kathy Unertl, City Administrator Dave Johnson, City Attorney Tom Hayden, Public Works Director/City Engineer Rod Akey, City Building Inspector/Zoning Administrator Darin Pagel, Bill Bialecki from Lincoln County Economic Development Corp. (LCEDC), IT Manager Dustin Brown, and video operator from Merrill Productions,

Call to Order: Nelson called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Consider approval of RDA meeting minutes from April 13th:

Motion (Sabatke/Woellner) to approve the meeting minutes from April 13th. Carried.

Public Comments: None.

Consider resolution authorizing development agreement with MEND Merrill, LLC for the former grocery store and adjacent N. Pine Ridge Ave. property to facilitate Tractor Supply Company (TID No. 4):

RDA Commissioners reviewed the site and elevation plans. The City building permit was issued on April 5th for \$900,000 including renovations to the existing building and construction of new 3,672 sq. ft. greenhouse. Construction completion is projected by the end of June 2022.

The draft development agreement was reviewed. Mindak recommended including the sq. ft. of the new greenhouse in Article II. Building Inspector Pagel suggested adding “per approved plans”. The new property owner, MEND Merrill, LLC will be replacing the roof, making building improvements, and constructing the greenhouse. Tractor Supply Company will be leasing the commercial retail property.

Motion (Mindak/Sabatke) to recommend the development agreement resolution, with the additional detail, to the Common Council. Carried.

Adjournment: (Sabatke/Woellner) to adjourn at 5:40 p.m. Carried.

Minutes prepared by RDA Secretary Kathy Unertl
