

**City of West St. Paul  
Economic Development Authority Minutes  
March 22, 2021**

**1. Call to Order**

President Napier called the meeting to order at 8:29 p.m.

**2. Roll Call**

Present: President Dave Napier  
Commissioners Wendy Berry, Julie Eastman, Lisa Eng-Sarne,  
Robyn Gulley, John Justen, and Dick Vitelli

Absent: None

Also Present: City Manager/Executive Director Ryan Schroeder  
City Attorney Kori Land  
Police Chief Brian Sturgeon  
Community Development Director Jim Hartshorn  
City Clerk/Secretary Shirley Buecksler  
  
Nate Burkett, Incoming City Manager

**3. Adopt the Agenda**

Motion was made by Commissioner Berry and seconded by Commissioner Eng-Sarne to adopt the agenda, as presented.

Vote: 7 ayes / 0 nays. Motion carried.

**4. Commissioner Comments**

Commissioner Eng-Sarne

- Visited the food trucks at MGM – the next event is scheduled for April 24.
- Support our local businesses.

Commissioner Gulley

- Welcome back to food trucks and patio weather.

Commissioner Vitelli

- Amazed at the amount of redevelopment, spurred by the redevelopment of Robert Street.

Commissioner Justen

- Remember to spend your stimulus checks at a local business or restaurant. We appreciate your support.

President Napier

- Get out and spend locally in West St. Paul.

**5. EDA Consent Agenda**

Motion was made by Commissioner Eng-Sarne and seconded by Commissioner Berry to adopt the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- A. Minutes of the February 22, 2021 Regular EDA Meeting
- B. December 2020 Financial Update
- C. February 2021 Financial Update

Vote: 7 ayes / 0 nays. Motion carried.

**6. New Business**

**A. Batteries Plus – Commercial Exterior Grant Request**

Motion was made by Commissioner Justen and seconded by Commissioner Berry to approve the Commercial Exterior Grant Application for Batteries Plus in the amount of \$10,000.

Vote: 7 ayes / 0 nays. Motion carried.

**B. Open to Business – Joint Powers Agreement**

Motion was made by Commissioner Vitelli and seconded by Commissioner Eng-Sarne to approve the Joint Powers Agreement between the City of West St. Paul Economic Development Authority and the Dakota County Community Development Authority.

Vote: 7 ayes / 0 nays. Motion carried.

**7. Adjourn**

Motion was made by Commissioner Berry and seconded by Commissioner Justen to adjourn the meeting at 8:47 p.m.

Vote: 7 ayes / 0 nays. Motion carried.

David J. Napier  
President  
City of West St. Paul