

## Iowa Great Places Citizen Advisory Board Meeting

April 17, 2024

2:00 p.m.

*Barbara Determan*

Helmick Conference Room

Iowa Economic Development Authority

Jun 17, 2024

1963 Bell Avenue, Suite 200

Des Moines, IA 50315

**Board Members Present:** in person: Chair Barbara Determan and Andrew Denking; virtual: Aaron Burnett, Duane Hagerty, Darryl High, Danna Kehm, Sara Kurovski, Tammy McCoy, Jacque Rahe, Angel Wallace

**Board Members Absent:** none

**IEDA Leadership Present:** Director Debi Durham, Chief Legal Counsel Rita C. Grimm, Deanna Triplett (virtual)

**Public Members Present:** Paula Mohr

**Iowa Arts Council Staff Present:** Arts Council Director David Schmitz, Program Manager Jon Berg, Grants and Operations Manager Elizabeth Ferreira

**Other Staff Present:** Mike Hogan

### Call to Order

Determan officially called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

### Roll Call

Ferreira called the roll. All members were present.

### Welcome and Introductions

Determan welcomed board members to the meeting. She then turned to Director Durham to provide an update from IEDA. Director Durham gave a brief update on the consolidation bill in the legislature; if the bill passes, this board will be dissolved. Director Durham thanked the Board for their service and talked about the future of community development funding and community engagement.

### Approval of Minutes

MOTION: Kurovski moved to approve the May 3, 2023 Minutes. Rahe seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: High moved to approve the September 28, 2023 Minutes. Kurovski seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

### Arts Council Report

Schmitz gave a brief update regarding the Arts Council's ongoing programs and efforts to support the arts, film, and media in Iowa. Schmitz also expressed his gratitude for the Board's service.

**Program Update**

Berg provided an update on existing funding agreements, noting active Iowa Great Places grants. Berg also discussed future opportunities for community development funding and engagement and expressed his gratitude to the Board.

**Board Update**

Determan expressed pride in the Board's accomplishments both large and small and thanked Berg and the rest of the staff for their work. Determan expressed a desire to continue helping communities, making Iowa a great place to live.

**Board Discussion**

Determan opened the discussion. Burnett expressed concern with increased costs for development.

Durham expressed hope that more funding will become available with recent tax changes. Burnett asked whether Hotel/Motel tax could be used to support creative placemaking. Durham said there have been discussions, and there is interest from other groups such as the tourism industry. Schmitz said the staff will update Board members about any changes from the legislature.

**Public Comment**

There were no comments from the members of the public in attendance.

**Other Business**

No other meeting will be scheduled at this time. Staff will follow up to approve minutes from the April meeting and schedule future meetings if needed.

**Adjournment**

MOTION: Wallace moved to adjourn. Rahe seconded and the motion carried unanimously. Determan adjourned the meeting at approximately 2:35 p.m.







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