

**City of Flint Downtown Development Authority
Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Board of Directors
February 25, 2026
502 Church Street, Flint, Michigan**

Board Member	Present	Absent
Mayor Sheldon Neeley, Chairperson	X	
Davina Donahue, Secretary		X
Loyst Fletcher, Jr., Vice Chairperson		X
John Gazall, Design Chair	X	
Louis Hawkins,		X
Casey Lester, Marketing & Promotions Chair	X	
Robert Kittel	X	
Montel Meniffee		X
Greg Viener, Treasurer and Personnel & Finance Chair		X
Rodney Lontine	X	
Mama Sol	X	
Emily Doerr	X	

Others Attending: Brandy Curtis, Operations Director, City of Flint DDA; Sheri Sprygada, CPA, Taylor & Morgan; and, Damion Frasier, Esq.

- A. Call to Order: Mayor Neeley, Chairperson, declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order at 7:40 a.m.
- B. Opportunity for Public to Address the Board: Effie Alofoje-Carr, Community Growth Fellow, 100K Ideas, introduced herself and discussed working on “grow through workforce development” efforts.
- C. Approval of Minutes:

Upon motion by Casey Lester, supported by Rodney Lontine, the DDA Board of Directors unanimously approved the minutes for the October 22, 2025 meeting of the Board of Directors.

- D. Personnel and Finance Committee:

Sheri Sprygada provided the DDA's January financial report, and reported the DDA's budget was on target. Brandy informed the Board that the DDA needed to approve a budget in March in order to get the budget to the City of Flint in time for the City's final budget.

A discussion regarding July 4th festival was held, including the financial need of the DDA for the Kearsley Street Flat Lot and impact closure for five business days would

have on the downtown and DDA finances. Brandy indicated she would contact Genesee County to see if it would minimize court work during that week, as well as have staff work from home, in order to alleviate parking issues downtown with the festival.

Mayor Neeley directed staff to meet with the City regarding the TIF issue.

Upon motion by Casey Lester, supported by Rodney Lontine, the DDA Board of Directors unanimously approved the Finance Committee's report for the August and January, 2026.

E. Operations Report:

Brandy reported on efforts to minimize impact on Riverfront structure, including moving 100 parkers to the Rutherford Ramp. In addition, Brandy reported on making a request to Genesee County to pre-pay parking for the term of the agreement so that the DDA could use the money for ramp improvements. That work is estimated to cost \$6.5 million in total. A discussion on financing sources to raise those funds was held and Mayor Neeley directed staff to meet with City of Flint to discuss TIF amendment.

F. Marketing and Promotions Committee: No Report as Quorum was lost at 8:20 am.

G. Design Committee: No Report as Quorum was lost

H. Economic Development: No Report as Quorum was lost

I. Correspondences: None.

J. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:20 a.m.

Davina Donahue, Secretary