



MEETING OF THE WESTLAND DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
City of Westland
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, August 24, 2023

Members Present: Kelly, Scott, Cabildo, Freese, Murraray, Londeau

Members Excused: Brown, Rea, Saab

Also Present: Aubrey Merhib, Director of Economic Development

Kayla Cobetto, Business Retention and Expansion Coordinator

Brendan Schroder, Economic Development Administration

Moe Ayoub, Planning Director

Nicole Jones, Planning/Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Administration

The meeting was called to order at 8:06 a.m. by Chairman Robert Kelly.

A motion was made by Scott and supported by Cabildo to approve the minutes from the regular meeting held on July 27th, 2023.

Murray abstained.

Motion carried.

A motion was made by Cabildo and supported by Freese to approve the payments of the vouchers in the amount of \$26,145.92

CoStar Realty	\$528.02
Highland Landscaping	\$962.50
Highland Landscaping	\$449.17
Highland Landscaping	\$513.33
Highland Landscaping	\$6,223.00
Highland Landscaping	\$5,448.00
Highland Landscaping	\$4,500.00
TruGreen	\$648.00
MEDA	\$648.00
SME	\$325.00
Bank of NY	\$2,428.00

Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Murray and supported by Freese to approve funding for Central City Pond remediation costs in the amount of not to exceed \$114,657.70.

Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Scott and supported by Cabildo to approve the proposal from RSThomas & Associates for an appraisal of Central City Park in the amount of not to exceed \$4,950.00.

Motion carried unanimously.

Training Discussion: None

Director Comments: Merhib gave the board an update on the Master Plan update process. She also gave an update on the partnership with The Retail Coach.

Cobetto informed the board about new business developments in the DDA district.

Citizen Comments: None

Board Member Comments: None

A motion was made by Cabildo and supported by Murray to adjourn at 8:54 a.m.

Motion carried unanimously