



CITY OF HELENA
Urban Renewal TIF Advisory Board Meeting
Tuesday, April 14, 2026, 1:30 PM
Recording Available Upon Request

Members Present: Luke Soper (Chair), Megan Malkin (Vice-Chair), Nick Sandau, Frank Cornwell, Garrett Wenetta, Bob Goodwyn, Sam Holman

Staff Present: Christopher Brink (Director, Community Development Dept), Ellie Ray (Senior Planner), April Sparks (Administrative Asst III)

Call to Order and Roll Call

(0:03:04) Staff called the meeting to order and roll was called. A quorum was present.

Regular Items

A. Election of Officers

(0:04:34) Staff introduced the first item, election of officers. There was a brief discussion of the make-up of the board, and members gave brief introductions. Luke Soper was elected Chair. Megan Malkin was elected Vice-Chair.

B. Adoption of By-Laws

(0:16:19) There was a brief discussion about the proposed by-laws. Director Brink pointed out some sections of the by-laws for the board to keep in mind while moving through the review. The board asked for additional time to look at the by-laws before adopting them at the next meeting.

C. Work Plan Discussion

(0:21:53) Staff introduced the work plan discussion by giving background on the work plans from the previous TIF advisory boards and the processes to develop those work plans and how they are used in evaluating applications for TIF funding. Staff stated that they would provide board members with a list of the projects which have received TIF funding in the past. Staff also noted that this board has the ability to recommend amendments to the text of the urban district plans when it appears as though circumstances have changed on the ground for these districts, and to keep that in mind going forward.

Public Comment

(0:38:41) Public comment was opened. There were no members of the public present.

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Meetings of Interest / Announcements

(0:39:42) Staff noted the next meeting is scheduled for May 12, 2026. The fund balances were briefly discussed and staff noted they would hopefully have updated numbers at the next meeting. Staff also let the board know that there would be applications coming before the board in the coming meetings. Staff asked the board members to submit a project prioritization list prior to the next meeting as well.

Adjournment

(0:52:15) The meeting was adjourned.

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