

**CITY OF BELLEVILLE, ILLINOIS**  
**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/ANNEXATION COMMITTEE**  
**MEETING MINUTES**

**October 5, 2016 5:00 p.m.**

**MEMBERS:**

Alderman Paul Seibert, Ward 6	Absent
Alderman Roger Wigginton, Ward 8	Present
Alderman Johnnie Anthony, Ward 4	Excused
Alderman Trent Galetti, Ward 7	Excused
Alderman Jane Pusa, Ward 2	Present
Alderman Kent Randle, Ward 3	Present
Alderman Phil Silsby, Ward 5	Present
Alderman Ken Kinsella, Chairman, Ward 1	Present

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Annissa McCaskill, Economic Development, Planning & Zoning Director  
Dean Hardt, City Treasurer

**GUESTS PRESENT:**

Alderman Ovian  
Alderman White  
Michael Hagberg  
John Reichert  
Mike Koziatek (Belleville News Democrat)  
Daniel Schmidt, Economic Development Resources  
Gene Norber, Economic Development Resources

The Economic Development and Annexation Committee meeting was called to order at 5:14 p.m. at the Fire Department, Administrative Building, 1125 S. Illinois St.

Chairman Kinsella asked if there were any corrections to be noted for the September 7, 2016 meeting minutes. No corrections were made hence the minutes were accepted by the Committee. Chairman Kinsella explained emergency procedures.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

Michael Hagberg reminded the Committee that the City doesn't own the businesses in the proposed business district. He stated that property owners need to maintain their own property; not wait for the taxpayers to fix them up when they become "blighted."

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Daniel Schmidt gave a presentation on the Shopland Plaza Business District Eligibility Study.

There was a discussion on the aging shopping centers in the City and issues that come with those degenerating buildings.

Several more items were discussed such as; eligibility criteria for a business district, current and proposed access to the businesses, enforcement of the laws regarding property owners on building maintenance, commercial property inspection process, and property ownership of land trust owners in the proposed district.

1. Motion to accept the Shopland Plaza Business District Eligibility Study, place it on file for public inspection.

With no further discussion by the Board, Chairman Kinsella asked for a motion.

**A motion was made by Raffi Ovian to APPROVE the request. It was seconded by Roger Wigginton with all present members voting in the affirmative. Motion carried 5-0.**

2. Motion to authorize Economic Development Resources to complete the Shopland Plaza Business District Plan.

With no further discussion by the Board, Chairman Kinsella asked for a motion.

**A motion was made by Philip Silsby to APPROVE the request. It was seconded by Roger Wigginton with all present members voting in the affirmative. Motion carried 5-0.**

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Alderman Randle stated that Eric Schauster reached out to him regarding the recommendations on requirements for project reporting in Development Agreements. Mr. Schauster was unavailable to attend this meeting, so this topic will be discussed at the ED&A meeting in November 2016.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

None

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:** Roger Wigginton made a motion to ADJOURN. It was seconded by Phil Silsby with all present members voting in the affirmative. Motion carried.

Chairman Kinsella adjourned the meeting at 5:46 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kari L. Tutza  
Economic Development, Planning & Zoning Department