



South Bend.  
**Redevelopment Commission**  
227 West Jefferson Boulevard, Room 1308, South Bend, IN  
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**SOUTH BEND REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING**

May 13, 2021  
9:30 a.m.  
Presiding: Marcia Jones, President

<https://tinyurl.com/RDC051321>  
South Bend, Indiana

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m.

**1. ROLL CALL**

Members Present:	Marcia Jones, President Don Inks, Vice-President Quentin Phillips, Secretary Troy Warner, Commissioner Eli Wax, Commissioner	
Members Absent:	Leslie Wesley, Commissioner	
Legal Counsel:	Sandra Kennedy, Esq.	
Redevelopment Staff:	Mary Brazinsky, Board Secretary	
Others Present:	Tim Corcoran Amanda Pietsch Kara Boyles Charlotte Brach Zach Hurst Jordan Gathers Finnian Cavanaugh Conrad Damian Josh O'Brien Talia Horb Joseph Sommer Jessica Bayer Elizabeth Capretta Emily Bastine Alicia Pellegrino Sam Jackmore	DCI DCI Engineering Engineering Engineering Mayor's Office  Resident

## 2. Approval of Minutes

- **Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Thursday, April 22, 2021**

Upon a motion by Vice-President Inks, seconded by Secretary Phillips, the motion carried unanimously, the Commission approved the minutes of the regular meeting submitted on Thursday, May 13, 2021.

## 3. Approval of Claims

- **Claims Submitted for April 27, May 4, and May 11, 2021**

Upon a motion by Vice-President Inks, seconded by Commissioner Warner, the motion carried unanimously, the Commission approved the claims for April 27, May 4 and May 11, 2021 submitted on Thursday, May 13, 2021.

## 4. Old Business

## 5. New Business

### A. Administrative

#### 1. **Resolution No. 3533 (Determining Tax Increment to be Collected in 2022**

Ms. Pietsch Presented Resolution No. 3533 (Determining Tax Increment to be Collected in 2022). This is our annual required notice to our taxing units stating that we intend to collect all the tax increment in 2022. Letters will be sent out by the end of the week to these areas. Commission approval is requested.

Upon a motion by Secretary Phillips, seconded by Vice-President Inks, the motion carried, the Commission approved Resolution No. 3533 (Determining Tax Increment to be Collected in 2022) submitted on Thursday, May 13, 2021.

### B. Other

#### 1. **Community Project Leadership Presentation (El Campito)**

Ms. Boyles Presented a Community Project Leadership Presentation (El Campito). In 2020 the Commission approved a budget request for \$50,000 for improvements at El Campito in partnership with Notre Dame project name Engineering 30010. EG30010 had three elements with a master plan, irrigation design and construction/implementation phase. EG30010 is a community project-based leadership with the intent to take students through concept to completion. This included students at every level with members of the community. Why El Campito? We took input from neighbors in the area and the project naturally developed. This was a childcare service for families (El Campito). We felt there was a great need here that the students could support.

Josh O'Brien presented the Master Plan efforts which included an all encompassed written documentation for the El Campito Campus. We designated

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land for each desired feature. We assisted El Campito in making decisions for this specific campus which outlines a three-phase plan. The plan accomplished bringing the community garden from parking lot to having a fully functioning community garden. The gardens include 2 green houses, 2 gardens, a composting space, an irrigation system, a meeting area, a storage shed and a fence.

David Simonetti Presented the Irrigation Design Details. This team focused on the irrigation system for the gardens. What was built included an encompassed cap with 2 waterlines into each garden including drip lines which are more efficient than a typical sprinkler system. El Campito was given the designs/blueprints for future expansion of the gardens.

Talia Horb Presented Construction Management of this project. For implementation day the irrigation system was installed. The team completely replaced the street bricks one by one starting from the water tap. They assembled compost bin and raised bed kits and completed it with trash pick-up. There were several teams involved including the Notre Dame Community Project Leadership Students, additional Notre Dame Students, El Campito Staff and Community Volunteers. It was a really great day project. The next steps for the project will be parking lot restoration from an in-kind contractor. El Campito received a \$10,000 grant for a nature play area. The remaining of the funds will be used for installation of the sites fencing. They are looking toward the future for greenhouses and a dog trot.

President Jones expressed her thanks and praise for the project.

Commissioner Warner stated that this is a wonderful project in the city.

**6. Progress Reports**

- A. Tax Abatement
- B. Common Council

**7. Next Commission Meeting:**

Thursday, May 27, 2021, 9:30 a.m.

**8. Adjournment**

Thursday, May 13, 2021, 9:50 a.m.



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Quentin Phillips, Secretary



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Marcia Jones, President