



**VILLAGE OF LAKE ORION DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**  
**21 East Church Street, Lake Orion, MI 48362**

*The mission of the Lake Orion DDA is to enhance the economic potential and preserve the historical character of the Lake Orion DDA District, **the heart and hub of the Orion Community**, through promotional activities and an organizational structure that focuses on community involvement with local businesses, residents, and other stakeholders.*

## **MINUTES**

### **SPECIAL MEETING OF THE LAKE ORION DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Friday, September 29, 2023**

**8:45 AM**

**Lake Orion Village Hall Council Chambers**

**21 East Church Street**

**LAKE ORION, MI 48362**

**(248) 693-8391 ext. 102**

#### **I. Call to Order**

The Friday, September 29, 2023 Special Meeting of the Lake Orion Downtown Development Authority Board of Directors was called to order in the Lake Orion Village Hall Council Chambers located in the 21 East Church Street, Lake Orion, MI 48362 by Chairperson Debbie Burgess at 8:45 AM.

#### **II. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum**

<b>Attendee Name</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Arrived</b>	<b>Departed</b>
Debbie Burgess	Village of Lake Orion	Chairperson	Present		
Sam Caruso	Village of Lake Orion	Vice Chairperson	Present		9:14 AM
Matt Shell	Village of Lake Orion	Treasurer	Absent		
Henry Lorant	Village of Lake Orion	Secretary	Absent	9:12 AM	
Chris Barnett	Village of Lake Orion	Board Member	Absent		
Alaina Campbell	Village of Lake Orion	Board Member	Present		
Lloyd Coe	Village of Lake Orion	Board Member	Absent		
Sally Medina	Village of Lake Orion	Board Member	Present		
Jerry Narsh	Village of Lake Orion	President	Present		

#### **STAFF PRESENT:**

- Molly LaLone, DDA Executive Director
- Robert Davis, DDA Attorney

### III. Statement by Chairperson or Vice-Chairperson Purpose of Meeting

Chairperson Burgess stated that the purpose of the meeting is to discuss the fiscal year 2023-2024 budget, to discuss a legal opinion from the DDA Attorney, and to make decisions regarding DDA business.

### IV. Public Comment

Let the record show no public comments were received.

Secretary Lorant entered at 9: 12 AM

### V. Items for Consideration

1. Bill Approval - Direct Mail Educational Campaign

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Alaina Campbell, Board Member
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Sam Caruso, Vice Chairperson
<b>AYES:</b>	Burgess, Caruso, Lorant, Campbell, Medina, Narsh
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Matt Shell, Chris Barnett, Lloyd Coe

RESOLVED: To approve payment of contract to Idea 39 for a direct mail campaign not to exceed \$1,700 from 248-728-888-000 Brand Marketing.

2. Legal Opinion

Attorney Davis provided an update regarding the injunction for quick action regarding the Petitions filed.

- The injunction for quick action failed; the case remains before the Court.
- Appointed and elected officials may not take an official position by post, written means or verbal means.
- Family members can be part of the committee; just not board members
- If the ballot passes, the Village of Lake Orion does not pass the ordinance because it is against State Law and the Village Charter.
- The case remains open before the court and it will go back to the judge for further review. The judge assigned to the case remains assigned.

Discussion commenced regarding the dissolution of the Village.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Henry Lorant, Secretary
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Alaina Campbell, Board Member
<b>AYES:</b>	Burgess, Caruso, Lorant, Campbell, Medina, Narsh
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Matt Shell, Chris Barnett, Lloyd Coe

RESOLVED: To Receive and file the Attorney's Legal Option.

Vice Chairperson Caruso exited at 9:14 AM.

## VI. Adjournment

**Motion to:** adjourn the Friday, September 29, 2023 special meeting of the Lake Orion Downtown Authority Board.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Henry Lorant, Secretary
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Jerry Narsh, President
<b>AYES:</b>	Burgess, Lorant, Campbell, Medina, Narsh
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Sam Caruso, Matt Shell, Chris Barnett, Lloyd Coe

The September 29, 2023 special meeting of the Lake Orion Downtown Development Authority adjourned at: 9:52 AM.

---

Debbie Burgess  
Chairperson

---

Susan C. Galeczka, CMC CMMC  
Village Clerk

Date Approved: October 17, 2023, as presented.