



City of Southgate  
**Downtown Development Authority Informational Meeting**  
May 16, 2019

An Informational Meeting of the Downtown Development Authority was held on May 16, 2019 at City Hall, 14400 Dix-Toledo Highway, Southgate, Michigan in the Caucus Room.

**Present-** Aborabboh, Batko, Genthe, Kuspa, Lancina, Leonard, Moran

**Absent-** Kleit, Sieloff (all excused)

**Also Present-** DDA Director Stephanie McNees, City Administrator Dustin Lent

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The meeting was called to order by Chairman Kuspa at 5:02 p.m.

**Reports:**

**1. Minutes – Meeting Minutes, April 18, 2019**

It was moved by Batko, supported by Moran, to approve the meeting minutes of April 18, 2019.

Motion carried unanimously

**2. 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Heritage Days**

McNees informed the Board about the upcoming 45<sup>th</sup> Annual Heritage Days Festival and its 2<sup>nd</sup> year hosted at Market Center Park. The Festival will take place June 14<sup>th</sup>-June 15<sup>th</sup>.

**3. 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Market in the Park**

McNees informed the Board about the upcoming 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Market in the Park. This is a weekly market hosted at Market Center Park every Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup>-August 15<sup>th</sup>, 3pm-8pm.

**Old Business:**

**1. Banners for Pathway and Market Center Park**

McNees updated the Board on the progress of the new Banner Sponsorship Program. All of the banners and sponsorship boards are now hung up at Market Center Park and the Pathway. McNees invited the Board to the Artist and Sponsor Reception, honoring all of the participants in this inaugural program, on Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> at Market Center Park at 5pm.

**Adjournment:**

Moved by Batko, support by Moran, that this meeting of the Downtown Development Authority be adjourned at 5:32 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously.

**Mission Statement**

The Southgate Downtown Development Authority's mission is to strengthen the economic vitality of the District by creating an environment that promotes commerce, enhances aesthetics, explores mixed-use development and encourages stakeholder participation.

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Stephanie McNeess  
Recording Secretary  
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