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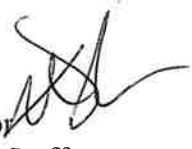
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TO: Detroit City Council

FROM: David D. Whitaker, Director
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RE: List of City of Detroit Authorities



The Legislative Policy Division was requested to provide a listing of all the authorities currently active in the City. Please find that listing below which includes the purpose and the membership of the authority.

Detroit Brownfield Redevelopment Authority

The City of Detroit Brownfield Redevelopment Authority (DBRA) was established to promote the revitalization of environmentally distressed and blighted areas within the boundaries of the City of Detroit.

Members are appointed by the Mayor with consent from City Council.

Maggie DeSantis
Eric Dueweke
John George
Sonya Mays
Pamela McClain
Juan Gonzalez
Ray Scott
Stephanie Washington

Detroit Wayne County Health Authority

Authority Health is a public body corporate engaged with community health centers, governmental and non-governmental organizations to strengthen the health care safety net of Detroit and Wayne County. They manage the nation's second largest primary care graduate medical education teaching health center program, an extensive health insurance enrollment and navigation service and community-based primary care services.

Tim Killeen, Chairman, Wayne County Commissioner

Alice G. Thompson, Vice Chair, Black Family Development

Geneva Williams, PhD

Denise Brooks-Williams, Henry Ford Health Systems

Krystle Wood Hollier, PhD

Zenna Faraj Elhasan, Kresge Foundation

Robert Thornton, Retired from Skillman Foundation

Denis Fair Razo, Chief Public Health Officer Detroit Health Department

Councilmember Angela Whitfield Calloway

Detroit Wayne Joint Building Authority

The Detroit-Wayne Joint Building Authority owns and manages the Coleman A. Young Municipal Center. Members are appointment by City Council and Wayne County Commission.

Nicole A. Carter, Secretary

Sharon Madison, Chair

Thomas Scott, Treasurer

Detroit Building Authority

This is a five members board of Commissioners of five (5). City Council appoints two (2) members, the mayor appoints two (2) members (one whom shall be approved by City Council and the Mayor who is also a member. All member of the commission shall be registered electors of the city. The terms of the commissioners shall be four (4) years.

Manages the facilities and real estate transactions of Detroit City Government

Mayor Duggan

Hakim W. Berry Chairperson - Mayor

Christopher Jackson Treasurer - City Council

Judge Edward Thomas Secretary - Joint

Detroit Land Bank Authority

City Council has confirmation authority for four (4) of the five (5) member board. Although under the intergovernmental agreement the mayor chooses all four members, the mayor has agreed to allow city council to choose one of the members

Manages City of Detroit's blighted and foreclosed properties, homes, and lots.

Erica Ward Gerson, Chair

Richard Hosey, Vice Chair

Carol Walters, Treasurer

Patricia Pernell-Shelton, Secretary

Miranda Morrow-Bartell (Council)

Detroit Regional Convention Facility Authority

The Detroit Regional Convention Facility Authority (DRCFA) was created with responsibility for policy direction and day to day operational procedures for Huntington Place. DECFA is represented by a five-member board whose members are appointed, one each, from the five governmental jurisdictions the State of Michigan, City of Detroit, and the metropolitan area counties (Wayne, Oakland, and Macomb).

Appointed at the pleasure of the person and can be removed at any time 3-year terms carry over.

Claude Molinari Chair, Governor

Marilyn Lane Vice Chair, Macomb County

Alexis Wiley Treasurer, City of Detroit

Jeffrey Lance Abood, Oakland County

Ric Preuss, Wayne County

Detroit Promise Zone Authority

Heads the Promise Zone program which provides two and four-year scholarships to Detroit High School graduates.

Floyd Allen, Treasurer

Penny Bailer

Charlie Beckham, Chair

Stacie Clayton - State Majority Leader

Peter Remington

Iris Taylor, Government Official

Ashley Johnson-Varner

Detroit Promise cont.

Desirae Tolbert – Public Schools

Preston Welborne - Student

John Ziraldo, Vice Chair

Vacant - Speaker of the House

Downtown Development Authority

Supports and promotes investment and businesses in a defined downtown Detroit district through loans, grants, capital improvements and sponsorships. Property owners within the district pay a 1 mill property tax to fund the basis operation of the DDA.

The DDA is governed by its Board of Directors who are appointed by the Mayor subject to the consent of Detroit City Council

Mayor Duggan

Hassan Beydoun, Chair

Marvin Beatty

Charles Beckham

Austin Black

David Blaszkiewicz, Vice Chair

Ehrlich Crain, Secretary

Melvin Hollowell

Richard J. Hosey

James Jenkins

John Naglick, Treasurer

Stephen A. Ogden

Donald Rencher

Eight Mile/Woodward Corridor Improvement Authority

The Eight Mile Woodward Corridor Improvement Authority (EMWCIA) was established pursuant to Michigan Public Act 280 of 2005, as amended, which has been recodified into Michigan Public Act 57 of 2018, and undertook the redevelopment of the approximately 35 acres of the southeast corner of the Woodward/8 Mile site into the Gateway Marketplace.

Members are appointed by the Mayor with consent from City Council.

Michael Duggan, Mayor

Ronald A. Blevins

Elliott Hall, Secretary

John Naglick, Vice Chair

Savarior Service, Treasurer

Ricardo Solomon, Chair

Vacant

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Local Development Finance Authority

The LDFA was established pursuant to Michigan Public Act 281 of 1986, as amended, which has been recodified into Michigan Public Act 57 of 2018, to prevent conditions of unemployment and promotes growth in Detroit. Members are appointed by the Mayor with concurrence from City Council, Detroit School Board, Wayne County Community College and Wayne County Boards of Commissioners.

Furquan Ahmed, Treasurer – WCCC

Irma Clark-Coleman, Vice Chair - WCBC

Derek J. Dickow - Mayor

Linda Forte – Mayor

Damon Hodge – Mayor

Arthur Jackson, Secretary – School Board

Machion Jackson – School Board

James Jenkins - Mayor

Katrina McCree – Mayor

Vacant – Mayor

Vacant – Mayor

Detroit Next Michigan Development Corporation

Detroit Next Michigan Development Corporation, was established pursuant to Michigan Public Act 275 of 2010, as the seventh and final Next Michigan Development Corporation, seeks to attract eligible multi-modal businesses to key employment districts within the city.

Members are appointed by the Mayor with the consent of City Council.

Clifford Brown

Marsha Bruhn, Secretary

Kim Clayson

Linda Forte, Chair

Damon Hodge

Christopher Jackson

John Naglick

Kwaku Osei

Thomas Stallworth III, Treasurer

Vacant

Southeast Michigan Regional Transit Authority

A body whose goal is regional transit across the four counties of Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, and Washtenaw. Has the power to propose millages to voters and collect that property tax if approved.

The Board of Directors is a 10-member body, two members appoint by the following county executives or County commission chairs: Macomb, Oakland, Washtenaw, and Wayne; the Mayor appoints one board member; and the governor appoints a non-voting board chair. Board members serve three (3) year terms and are free to continue in their position beyond the term until they are reappointed, or a successor is appointed.

Freman Hendrix - City of Detroit

Paul Hillegonds - Governor

June Lee - Wayne County

Dr. Erica Robertson - Wayne County

Ned Staebler - Washtenaw County

Alma Wheeler Smith - Washtenaw County

Helaine Zack - Oakland County

Jeannette Bradshaw - Oakland County

Donald Morandini - Macomb County

Jon Moore - Macomb County

Great Lakes Water Authority

Operates a regional water system for 126 municipalities and 8 counties in Southeastern Michigan
Two members of the Board shall be residents of the City of Detroit and shall be appointed by the Mayor of the City of Detroit. The initial term of these members shall be for three (3) years and all subsequent terms shall be for four (4) years.

One member appointed by each of the incorporating Counties and that member shall be a resident of the county from which he or she is appointed. The initial term for the two counties with the largest and second largest populations shall be for two years, while the initial term of office for any other county appointee shall be one year. All subsequent terms after the initial appointment term shall be for four years.

One Member shall be a resident of an area served by the Great Lake Water Authority but shall not be a resident of any County with appointing authority under Section (1)(b) of this Article. This member shall be appointed by the Governor and serve for an initial term of four years. All subsequent terms shall also be for four years.

Gary Brown, City of Detroit

Freman Hendrix, Board Chair, City of Detroit

Mark Miller, Secretary, State of Michigan

Brian Baker, Vice Chair, Macomb County

Jaye Quadrozzi, Oakland County

John J. Zech, Wayne County

Detroit Public Lighting Authority

The Public Lighting Authority was created to improve and maintain the street lighting infrastructure in Detroit. It is overseen by a five-member board that is appointed by the Mayor and City Council. All board members are residents of Detroit.

Lorna Thomas, MD

Rod Parker, CPA

Patrick L. Padgett, P.E.

Melvin Hollowell (Joint)

Ric Preuss