

AGENDA

COUNTY SERVICES COMMITTEE

111 S. Michigan Ave., Room 200, Saginaw MI 48602

Wednesday, December 6, 2023 - *5:00 p.m.*

Members: Michael Webster – Chair, Dennis Krafft – Vice-Chair, Denny Harris, Sheldon Matthews, Christopher Boyd

Others: Finance Director, Civil Counsel, Board Staff, *Media*

- I. Call to order
- II. Welcome
- III. Correction/Approval of Minutes (***November 8, 2023 - Attached***)
- IV. Public Comment (*Speakers limited to 3 minutes*)
- V. Agenda

1. **Glenn Steffens, Executive Director, and Jamie Forbes, Director of External Affairs, STARS**, re:

- **12-19-4** Submitting a presentation on Saginaw Transit Authority Regional Services (STARS) current services and statistics and plans to redevelop Potter Street Station as the new STARS HQ as part of a larger revitalization project

2. **INFORMATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS (To be Received & Filed in Committee)**

- **12-19-5 BIRCH RUN TOWNSHIP DDA** submitting notice of a Special Meeting – Informational Session, Sewer Upgrade project, and review & act on a Birch Run/Bridgeport Chamber of Commerce financial request on December 6, 2023
- **12-19-6 VILLAGE OF BIRCH RUN** sending notice in accordance with Public Act 57 of 2018 of an informational meeting during its regular DDA meeting on Thursday, December 14, 2023
- **12-19-7 VILLAGE OF BIRCH RUN DDA** submitting its Annual Report on Status of Tax Increment Financing Plan for fiscal year ending in 2023

- VI. Miscellaneous
- VII. Adjournment

MINUTES

COUNTY SERVICES COMMITTEE

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111 S. Michigan Ave., Room 200, Saginaw MI 48602

Wednesday, November 8, 2023 - 4:00 p.m.

Present: Michael Webster – Chair, Dennis Krafft – Vice-Chair, Sheldon Matthews, Christopher Boyd
Absent: Denny Harris
Others: Koren Thurston, Dave Gilbert, Richard Spitzer, Tim Novak, Brian Wendling, Vanessa Guerra, Kyle Bostwick, Jaime Ceja, Al Kaufman, Tom Miller Jr., Tim Dempsey, Jennifer Broadfoot, Curtis Pennala, Chad Sturos, Steve St. John, Terie Elbers, Jane Collins, Thomas Roy, Marissa Sawdon, Suzy Koeplinger, and others

- I. Call to order ---**Webster at 4:02 p.m.**
- II. Welcome
- III. Correction/Approval of Minutes (**October 11, 2023**)
---**Moved by Boyd, seconded by Krafft, to approve. Motion carried.**
- IV. Public Comment (*Speakers limited to 3 minutes*)
 - **Thomas Roy raised concerns about the cashless policy enacted at TheDow Event Center. He is a landlord and deals with citizens that do not have debit cards or even bank accounts.**
 - **Curtis Pennala and Chad Sturos from Karhu Cyber gave a presentation on the services available to the county regarding cyber security.**
- V. Agenda
 1. **Brian Wendling, Public Works Director**, re:
 - **11-21-2** Requesting approval by Resolution of the Apportionment of Operational Costs and Accepting for file the FY 2024 Budget of the Saginaw Area Storm Water Authority
---**Moved by Krafft, seconded by Boyd, to approve the Resolution and receive and file the FY 2024 Budget. Motion carried. (Resolution 2023 - 20)**
 2. **Jaime Ceja, Executive Assistant**, re:
 - **11-21-3** Submitting a resolution authorizing the Board of Commissioners to sign MDOT Contract No. 2023-0752, Weather Observation Data Dissemination System at Saginaw County H.W. Browne Airport
---**Moved by Krafft, seconded by Matthews, to approve. Motion carried. (Resolution 2023 - 21)**
 3. **Tom Miller Jr., Saginaw Future, Inc.**, re:
 - **11-21-4** Submitting the 4th quarter report (July 1, 2023 – September 30, 2023) providing performance-based funding metrics pursuant to the Third Amendment to the Saginaw County and Saginaw Future Services Agreement; SFI earned out its annual contribution at the conclusion of the 3rd quarter, no funding request
---**Moved by Krafft, seconded by Boyd, to receive and file. Motion carried. (Receive & File)**

4. **Vanessa Guerra, County Clerk; Kyle Bostwick, Chief Deputy County Clerk**, re:

- **11-21-13** Seeking approval of requests in regard to the Early Vote Center to:
 - Formally designate 618 Cass St. as the site of the Early Vote Center
 - Approve exemption from County Policy 243 to allow food purchases
 - Approve open use of the gated county parking lot to allow free parking
 - Approve the purchase of vests for county employed election workers**---Moved by Krafft, seconded by Matthews, to approve all items requested. Motion carried. (Board Report)**

5. **Commissioner Richard Spitzer**, re:

- Discussion of cashless policy at TheDow Event Center
Tim Novak, Building Authority Chairman, and Steve St. John, ASM Global Manager, discussed the benefits and challenges of the cashless policy and what actions have been taken to minimize hardship on attendees. Discussion was referred to the Building Authority to resolve citizen and committee concerns.
- Discussion of proposed Resolution in opposition to giving the MPSC sole authority to regulate solar and wind projects
House Bills 5120 and 5121 of 2023 were passed in the House and Senate while citizens and municipalities still raise concerns over the overriding of local authority. Committee Chair Webster will speak to the MAC Environmental Committee on actions available to fight the bill.

6. **INFORMATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS (To be Received & Filed in Committee)**

- **11-21-5 CITY OF MIDLAND** submitting its proposed/draft Master Plan Amendment with request for review and comment
---Moved by Krafft, seconded by Matthews, to approve. Motion carried. (Receive & File)

VI. Miscellaneous

- **Chairman Boyd reminded the committee of the Special Board Session scheduled for November 15, 2023 to review and consider the contents of several applications for employment with Saginaw County to fill the current vacancy of County Administrator.**

VII. Adjournment **---Moved by Matthews, seconded by Boyd, to adjourn. Motion approved; time being 5:42 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,
Michael Webster, Committee Chair
Suzy Koepplinger, Committee Clerk



Paratransit (LIFT)



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Current Service



- Rides to Wellness
- Pigeon Express
- HSC Silicon Express
- Frankenmuth Shuttle
- Delta Direct

GET A FREE RIDE TO DELTA.

**STARS depot to/from Delta College main campus
Monday-Thursday | August – April**

Delta College has partnered with Saginaw Transit Authority Regional Services (STARS) to develop a new bus route for students, faculty and staff traveling to campus this fall and winter semesters.

BUS SCHEDULE

7:05am	Depart Saginaw to Delta
7:30am	Depart Delta to Saginaw
11:05am	Depart Saginaw to Delta
11:30am	Depart Delta to Saginaw
4:05pm	Depart Saginaw to Delta
4:30pm	Depart Delta to Saginaw
9:35pm	Depart Saginaw to Delta
10pm	Depart Delta to Saginaw

Subsidized fare \$7 per way/ride

Bus. The fare is future.

Your Delta ID gets a semester pass | saginaw-stars.com/delta | 989-686-9422

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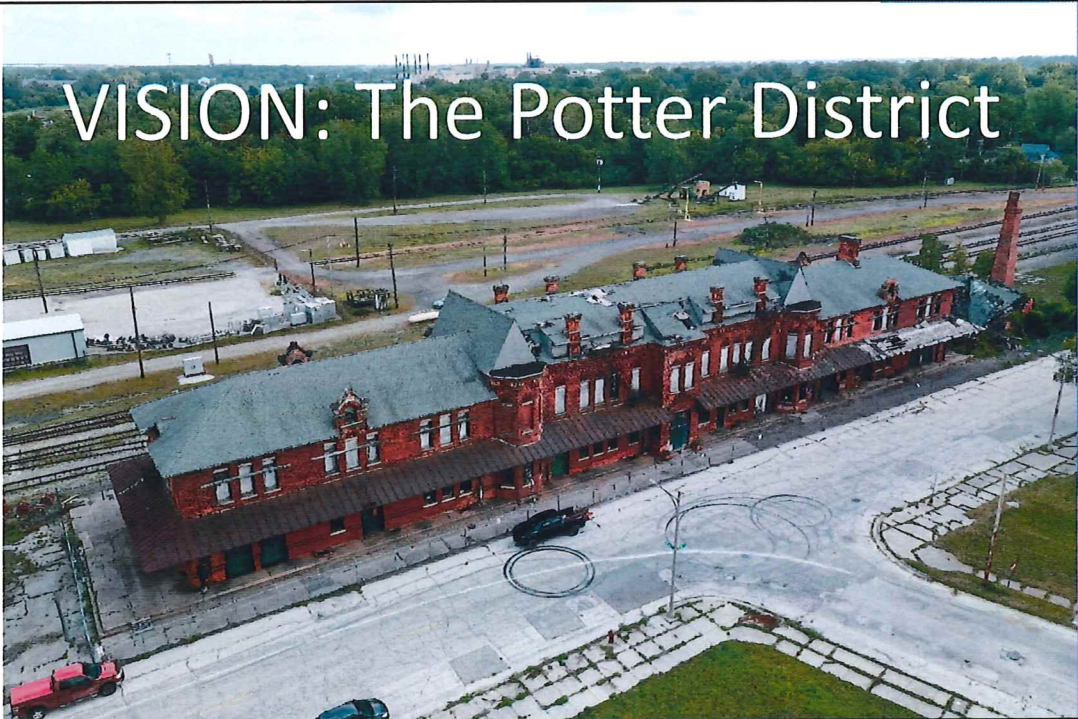
Post Pandemic Update

- ▶ Air Systems & Safety
- ▶ Free Fares for 2 years
- ▶ Services are back and stronger now that ever
- ▶ ARPA & CARES
- ▶ New buses – 17 total with ones coming, 16 left in contract

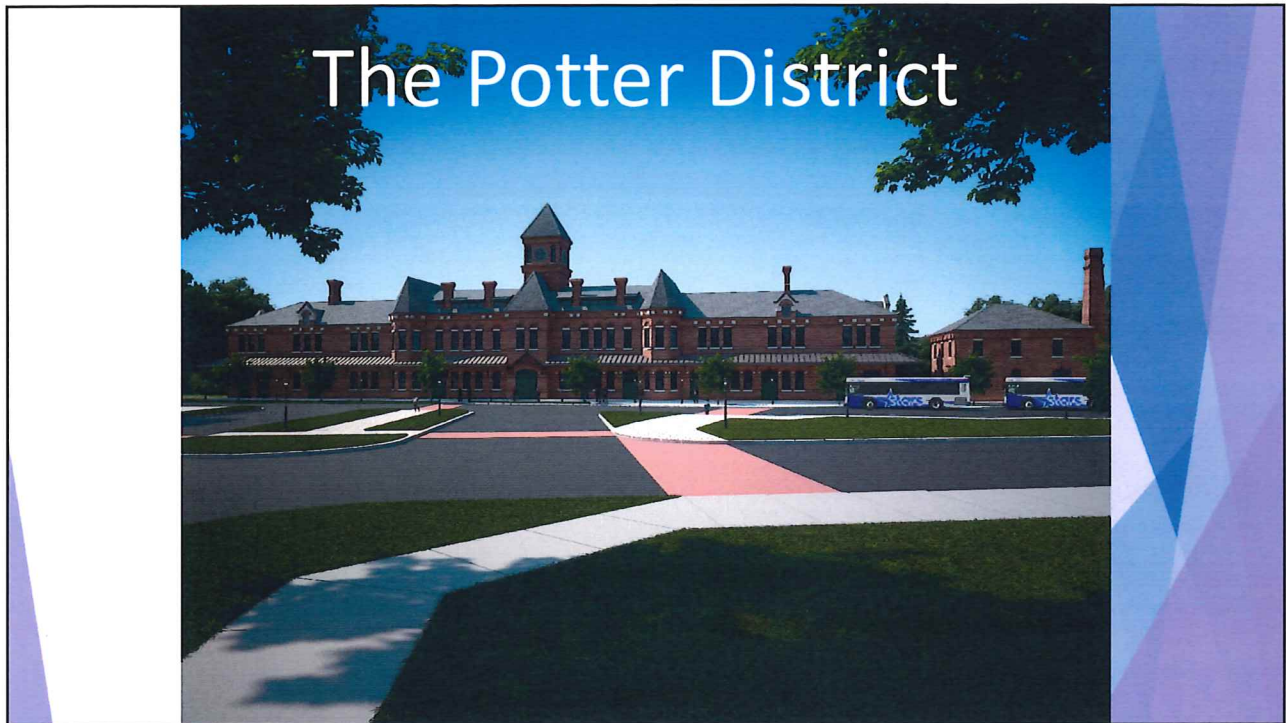


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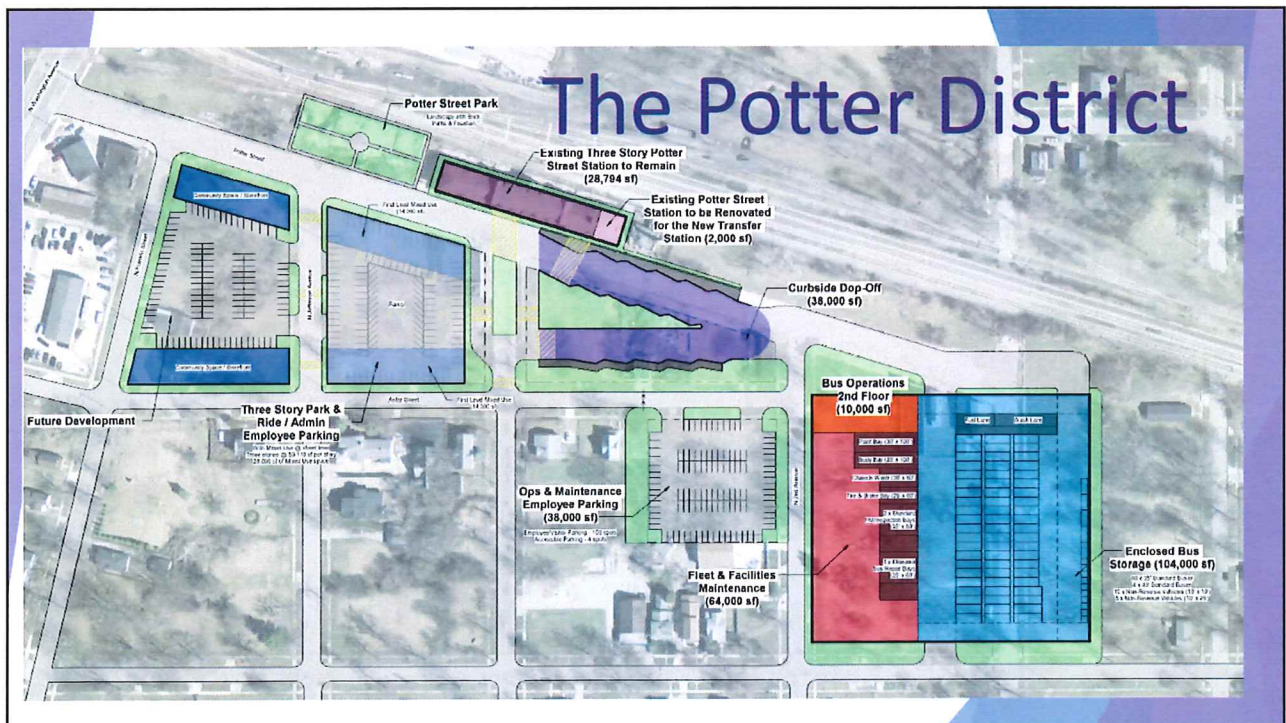
VISION: The Potter District



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Ridership Stats FY 2023

	Bus Routes	LIFT	Rides to Wellness
Miles	740,013	135,382	298,497
Hours	67,112	7,941	10,850
Passenger Count	426,287	15,383	21,430

► Partnerships

- Frankenmuth July-Sept 2,992
- Jobs Routes 36,175

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LIFT Ridership FY23

City vs County Services

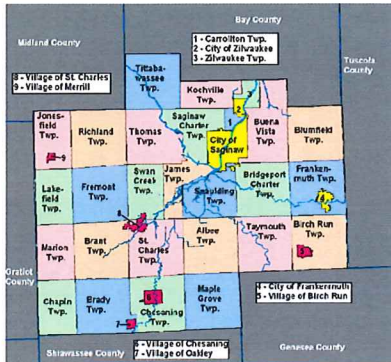
	# of Riders	% of Ridership	Cost
City of Saginaw	9,119	59.28%	\$1.66M
Saginaw Township Total	5,700	37.06%	\$1.04M
Saginaw Township - 48638	458	2.98%	\$83K
Saginaw Township - 48604	1,824	11.86%	\$332K
Saginaw Township - 48603	3,418	22.22%	\$622k
Buena Vista- 48601	530	3.45%	\$97k
Bridgeport - 48722	34	.21%	\$6k
Total	15,383		\$2.8M

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What would a millage look like?

County-wide LIFT; ADA & Seniors

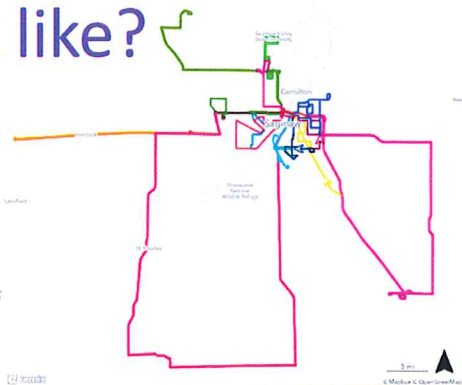
- ▶ .6 Mil
- ▶ \$3M/yr



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What would a millage look like?

- ▶ 1 Mil: \$5M/yr
- ▶ 3-4 extended routes
 - ▶ Ex: Frankenmuth, Freeland/MBS Airport, Birch Run, Shields



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Trends

- In 2017, only a quarter of 16-year-olds had their license, a sharp decline from half in 1983.

Roberts, Adrienne, 2019

- 75 percent of students surveyed said it was either “very important” or “somewhat important” for them to live in a place with non-driving transportation options after graduation.

Fisher, Emma, Skipek, Peter, 2019

- When looking for a place to settle, the most important criteria for those aged 24-44 is easy access to transit.

Lee, Yongsung, Bumsoo Lee, and Md Tanvir Hossain Shubho, 2019

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Saginaw County: #1 Employer Concern According to Saginaw Future

- Finding and retaining talent

Other Key Concerns

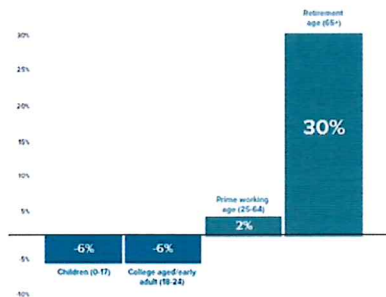
- Transportation
- Day care
- Flexible hours (willingness to work remotely at times)

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Growing Michigan Together Council



Chart 2: Projection of Population Change by Age Group, 2020 to 2050
Michigan's population is aging



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Growing Michigan Together Council:



*“Michigan has long been seen as a car state, but **public transit is a must have** to attract and retain younger residents and promote dense, vibrant city centers.”*

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Birch Run Township

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Phone: (989) 624-9773 • Fax: (989) 624-1177

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November 15, 2023

Saginaw County Board of Commissioners
111 S. Michigan Ave.
Saginaw, MI 48602

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RE: DDA Special Meeting Notice

Saginaw County Board of Commissioners,

Below is the meeting notice for the Birch Run Township Downtown Development Authority where they will be holding an informational session for the public. This meeting is open to the public.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Birch Run DDA at PO Box 152, Birch Run, MI 48415.

NOTICE OF A DDA SPECIAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that the Birch Run Township Downtown Development Authority will hold a Special Meeting on Wednesday, December 6th, 2023, @ 8:00 a.m. This Special Meeting will be held at the Birch Run Township Government Room, 11935 Silver Creek Dr., Birch Run, MI 48415.

The purpose of this special meeting will be to discuss and act on the following items:

- Hold 2nd of two required informational sessions
- Discuss & act on the ongoing Sewer Upgrade project including but not limited to:
 - More access valves for the Sewer lines
- Review & act on the Birch Run Bridgeport Chamber of Commerce financial request.

THIS MEETING IS OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC UNDER MICHIGAN'S OPEN MEETINGS ACT.

This notice is posted in compliance with the Open Meetings Act, Public Act 267 of 1976, as amended, (MCL 41.72a(2)(3)).

Sincerely,

Riley Kiessling

Birch Run Township Clerk & DDA Secretary



Village of Birch Run
12060 Heath Street
PO Box 371
Birch Run, Michigan 48415
Ph # (989) 624-5711 Fax # (989) 624-9681

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November 27, 2023

Mr. Christopher Boyd, Chair
Saginaw County Board of Commissioners
111 South Michigan
Saginaw, MI 48602

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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
2023 DEC -1 P 2:52

Re: Village of Birch Run DDA – Informational Meeting Notice

Dear Chairman Boyd:

In accordance with Public Act 57 of 2018, the Birch Run Downtown Development Authority (DDA) will be having an informational meeting during its regular DDA meeting on Thursday, December 14, 2023. The meeting will begin at 7:30am. If you have any questions, I may be reached by email at pmoore@villageofbirchrun.com or at the telephone numbers listed above.

Sincerely,

Paul T. Moore, CPM
DDA Director -Village Manager

cc: Lisa Duffett, DDA Secretary-Village Treasurer



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Re: Village of Birch Run DDA – 2023 Annual Report

Dear Chairman Boyd:

In accordance with Public Act 57 of 2018, the Village of Birch Run Downtown Development Authority (DDA) has completed the Annual Report on Status of Tax Increment Financing Plan for the fiscal year ending in 2023. Enclosed with this letter is a copy of that report for your records. If you have any questions, I may be reached by email at pmoore@villageofbirchrun.com or at the telephone numbers listed above.

Sincerely,

Paul T. Moore, CPM
DDA Director -Village Manager

cc: Lisa Duffett, DDA Secretary-Village Treasurer

Annual Report on Status of Tax Increment Financing Plan

Send completed form to: Treas-StateSharePropTaxes@michigan.gov Issued pursuant to 2018 PA 57, MCL 125.4911 Filing is required within 180 days of end of authority's fiscal year ending in 2022. MCL 125.4911(2)	Enter Municipality Name in this cell Downtown Development Authority	TIF Plan Name Feb-92	For Fiscal Years ending in 2023
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Year AUTHORITY (not TIF plan) was created:	1984
Year TIF plan was created or last amended to extend its duration:	2009
Current TIF plan scheduled expiration date:	2038
Did TIF plan expire in FY22?	No
Year of first tax increment revenue capture:	1985
Does the authority capture taxes from local or intermediate school districts, or capture the state education tax? Yes or no?	No
If yes, authorization for capturing school tax:	
Year school tax capture is scheduled to expire:	

Revenue:	Tax Increment Revenue	\$	708,415
	Property taxes - from DDA millage only	\$	-
	Interest	\$	3,121
	State reimbursement for PPT loss (Forms 5176 and 4650)	\$	24,490
	Other income (grants, fees, donations, etc.)	\$	50,268
	Total	\$	786,294

Tax Increment Revenues Received	Revenue Captured	Millage Rate Captured
From counties	\$ 417,236	10.9400
From cities	\$ -	
From townships	\$ 35,127	0.9211
From villages	\$ 178,150	4.5700
From libraries (if levied separately)	\$ -	
From community colleges	\$ 77,902	2.0427
From regional authorities (type name in next cell)	\$ -	
From regional authorities (type name in next cell)	\$ -	
From regional authorities (type name in next cell)	\$ -	
From local school districts-operating	\$ -	
From local school districts-debt	\$ -	
From intermediate school districts	\$ -	
From State Education Tax (SET)	\$ -	
From state share of IFT and other specific taxes (school taxes)	\$ -	
Total	\$ 708,415	

Expenditures	Bond Debt Service & Interest	\$	143,080
	Administration	\$	128,360
	Streetscape Maintenance	\$	127,019
	Capital Improvements	\$	92,069
	Streetscape Phase III Easement Services	\$	51,015
		\$	-
		\$	-
		\$	-
		\$	-
		\$	-
		\$	-
		\$	-
		\$	-
Transfers to other municipal fund (list fund name)	Transfers to Major Street Fund	\$	27,389
Transfers to other municipal fund (list fund name)	Transfers to Local Street Fund	\$	5,750
	Transfers to General Fund	\$	140,253
	Total	\$	714,935

Total outstanding non-bonded indebtedness	Principal	\$	-
	Interest	\$	-
Total outstanding bonded indebtedness	Principal	\$	2,910,000
	Interest	\$	1,768,841
	Total	\$	4,678,841

Bond Reserve Fund Balance	\$	194,003
Unencumbered Fund Balance	\$	258,542
Encumbered Fund Balance	\$	-

CAPTURED VALUES				Overall Tax rates captured by TIF plan	
PROPERTY CATEGORY	Current Taxable Value	Initial (base year) Assessed Value	Captured Value	TIF Revenue	
Ad valorem PRE Real	\$ 166,611	\$ 49,442	\$ 117,169	18.4738000	\$2,164.56
Ad valorem non-PRE Real	\$ 39,317,108	\$ 4,027,308	\$ 35,289,800	18.4738000	\$651,936.71
Ad valorem industrial personal	\$ -	\$ 6,250	\$ (6,250)	18.4738000	(\$115.46)
Ad valorem commercial personal	\$ 5,093,100	\$ 2,684,750	\$ 2,408,350	18.4738000	\$44,491.38
Ad valorem utility personal	\$ 626,900	\$ 88,947	\$ 537,953	18.4738000	\$9,938.04
Ad valorem other personal	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	18.4738000	\$0.00
IFT New Facility real property, 0% SET exemption	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0000000	\$0.00
IFT New Facility real property, 50% SET exemption	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0000000	\$0.00
IFT New Facility real property, 100% SET exemption	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0000000	\$0.00
IFT New Facility personal property on industrial class land	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0000000	\$0.00
IFT New Facility personal property on commercial class land	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0000000	\$0.00
IFT New Facility personal property, all other	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0000000	\$0.00
Commercial Facility Tax New Facility	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0000000	\$0.00
IFT Replacement Facility (frozen values)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0000000	\$0.00
Commercial Facility Tax Restored Facility (frozen values)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0000000	\$0.00
Commercial Rehabilitation Act	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0000000	\$0.00
Neighborhood Enterprise Zone Act	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0000000	\$0.00
Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Act	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0000000	\$0.00
Eligible Tax Reverted Property (Land Bank Sale)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0000000	\$0.00
Exempt (from all property tax) Real Property	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	0.0000000	\$0.00
Total Captured Value	\$ 6,856,697	\$ 6,856,697	\$ 38,347,022	Total TIF Revenue	\$708,415.22