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REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
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MEETING MINUTES

NEW HAVEN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

DATE: August 12, 2026

LOCATION: City Hall—Community Room, 815 Lincoln Highway East, New Haven, IN 46774

Members in Attendance

MEMBER	APPOINTED BY	Term	P	A
Jen Blackburn, Advisory	School Board	1/1/26 – 12/31/26	X	
Emily Almodovar	Mayor	1/1/26 – 12/31/26	X	
Tracey Barr, Secretary	Mayor	1/1/26 – 12/31/26	X	
Craig Dellinger, Vice President	City Council	1/1/26 – 12/31/26	X	
Nicole Keesling, President	Mayor	1/1/26 – 12/31/26	X	
Don Springer	City Council	1/1/26 – 12/31/26	X	

Staff Members in Attendance

- **Pone Vongphachanh, Economic Development Director**
- **Cassidy Throm, Corporate Engagement Specialist**
- **Mike Garza, Administrative Assistant**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM by Nicole Keesling.

The Commission reviewed the minutes from the July 8, 2026 meeting. No corrections were noted. A motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by Craig Dellinger, seconded by Emily Almodovar, and passed unanimously.

Pone presented the Commission with an amendment to the agenda, adding Item E, the Consideration of Resolution accepting TIF funds. A motion to approve the amendment was made by Craig Dellinger, seconded by Tracey Barr, and passed unanimously.

The Commission reviewed a Consideration of Resolution to authorize final disposition of Real Property on Rose Avenue. A motion to approve was made by Emily Almodovar, seconded by Tracey Barr, and passed unanimously.

The Commission then reviewed the Consideration of Resolution to authorize the use of Tax Increment Revenues for the Interstate 469-Downtown Economic Development Area BFS Minnich Road Trail project. A motion to approve was made by Craig Dellinger, seconded by Emily Almodovar, and passed unanimously.

Pone presented information regarding releasing the Request for Proposals for the redevelopment of the property at 706 Broadway Street. The Commission reviewed the Consideration of the Request for Proposals, and a motion to approve was made by Emily Almodovar, seconded by Don Springer, and passed unanimously.

The Commission reviewed the Consideration of a Letter of Commitment to the Allen County Capital Improvement Board regarding downtown development support. A motion to approve was made by Craig Dellinger, seconded by Don Springer, and passed unanimously.

The Commission reviewed the Consideration of Resolution accepting TIF funds from two Allen County TIF districts that are expiring, the Bandalier Allocation Area and Casad. A motion to approve was made by Don Springer, seconded by Craig Dellinger, and passed unanimously.

The Commission received a request to use the property located at 706 Broadway Street for a special event. A motion to decline the request was made by Emily Almodovar, seconded by Tracey Barr, and passed unanimously.

With no other business to come before the Commission, Craig Dellinger made a motion to adjourn. Don Springer seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

The next regular Redevelopment Commission meeting will be held on September 9, 2026 at 5:30 PM at City Hall.

Nicole Keesling, President	**Tracey Barr, Secretary**