



AGENDA
CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY
April 19, 2017 6:00 pm

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
3. CONSENT AGENDA
 - a. Communications
 - b. Minutes - March 15, 2017
4. PUBLIC COMMENT
5. NEW BUSINESS
6. OLD BUSINESS
 - a. Develop CIA Mission Statement
 - b. Develop CIA Goals & Objectives
 - c. Approve meeting schedule & times
7. CHAIR REPORT
8. STAFF REPORT
 - a. Update - Development Projects
9. OPEN DISCUSSION/BOARD COMMENTS
10. PUBLIC COMMENT
11. NEXT MEETING DATE:
 - a. Next Meeting Date May 17, 2017 - 6:00 p.m.
12. ADJOURNMENT



To: CIA Board Members
From: Benjamin M. Motil
Benjamin M. Motil,
Associate Planner/Economic Development Coordinator
Date: April 12, 2017
Re: Development of CIA Mission Statement

At the organizational Corridor Improvement Authority (CIA) meeting on March 15, 2017, the CIA Board Members discussed their preference for a short, concise mission statement for the CIA. The mission statement will serve as a framework for the goals & objectives of the CIA Board.

The following motion and proposed mission statement are before the CIA Board for discussion:

- **MOVE to approve the mission statement of the Corridor Improvement Authority of the Charter Township of Meridian as follows:**

The Corridor Improvement Authority of the Charter Township of Meridian is dedicated to establishing the Grand River Avenue corridor in Meridian Township as the premiere shopping destination in the Tri-County region. The Authority is focused on creating programs and projects that invigorate the streetscape and build partnerships among corridor property and business owners.

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To: CIA Board Members
From: *Benjamin M. Motil*
Benjamin M. Motil, Economic Development Coordinator
Date: March 17, 2017
Re: CIA Board Goals & Objectives Comments/Concerns List

Staff has prepared a bullet-point list of comments and concerns made by CIA Board Members regarding the Goals & Objectives agenda item from the March 15, 2017 Meridian Township Corridor Improvement Authority meeting. This list may be helpful in developing the goals and objectives of the CIA:

Supervisor Styka:

- Improve the corridor as a destination.
- Build up the corridor to become a beacon of the Township.
- Help small businesses along the corridor to survive.
- Help the Mall survive.
- Increase walkability
- Increase pedestrian and bicycle traffic.

Member Huhn

- Redevelop properties in and around the Mall to increase family destinations.
- Increase family entertainment aspects surrounding the corridor.
- Coordinate with Mall to increase walkability on corridor.

Vice Chair Johnson

- Help current businesses grow.
- Improve reputation of Township in relationship with businesses.
- Increase engagement in rebranding efforts.

Chair Nugent

- Address the issues involving day to day traffic.
- Increase capacity of interconnection within the corridor.
- Increase placemaking, improve the corridor as a destination.

Member Peffers

- Increase the family atmosphere within the corridor.
- Improve walkability, particularly from Mall to Meijer to Farmer's Market.
- Improve total walkability in the Township.
- Address the issue of vacant properties along the corridor.
- Increase business revitalization efforts.

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March 17, 2017

Re: CIA Board Goals & Objectives Comments Summary

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Member Rigterink

- Learn more about the BRT.
- Address the speed of cars travelling along corridor.
- Slow down traffic, particularly over the viaduct.
- Increase placemaking along the corridor.
- Address signage issues on the corridor.
- Improve façades and beautification.
- Engage building owners who have let properties fall into disrepair.

Member Epolito

- Increase interest in local politics.
- Address issues with dilapidated buildings.
- Increase responsiveness to business complaints.
- Engage building owners who have let properties fall into disrepair.
- Increase walkability.
- Safety issues with decaying sidewalks.
- Help to recruit more businesses to corridor.

Member Goetz

- Increase walkability.
- Improve safety for pedestrian and bicycle traffic.
- Interested in BRT as a concept.
- Beautification of the corridor.
- Increase property values.



To: CIA Board Members
From: Benjamin M. Motil
Benjamin M. Motil,
Associate Planner/Economic Development Coordinator
Date: April 12, 2017
Re: Proposed 2017 CIA Meeting Schedule

The following dates have been offered for the 2017 CIA Meeting Schedule:

Time: 6:00 p.m.
Location: Town Hall Room, Meridian Municipal Building
5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI
Dates: 3rd Wednesday of each month

April	19
May	17
June	21
July	19
August	16
September	20
October	18
November	15
December	20

The proposed calendar does not include joint meetings with the Township Board or other Boards and Commissions in 2017. According to posting requirements, a formal resolution of the meeting calendar also needs to be approved. The following motion and resolution is offered:

- **MOVE to approve the 2017 CIA Meeting Schedule as outlined in the staff memorandum dated April 11, 2017 and attached resolution for publication.**

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**Corridor Improvement Authority
2017 Meeting Schedule**

RESOLUTION

At a regular meeting of the Corridor Improvement Authority of the Charter Township of Meridian, Ingham County, Michigan, held at the Meridian Municipal Building, in said Township on the 19th day of April at 6:00 p.m., Local Time.

PRESENT: _____

ABSENT: _____

The following resolution was offered by _____ and supported by _____.

WHEREAS, Public Act 280 of 2005 requires the publication of the meeting schedule of every municipal board at least once a year; and

WHEREAS, the Corridor Improvement Authority desires to announce the time, date, and place of all regular meetings of the Authority, pursuant to the provisions of Act 280 of 2005.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY OF THE CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF MERIDIAN, INGHAM COUNTY, MICHIGAN as follows:

1. The Corridor Improvement Authority will meet for regular meetings on certain Wednesdays, April through December in 2017 in the Town Hall Room of the Meridian Municipal Building, 5151 Marsh Road, Okemos, MI 48864, 517-853-4560.

2. The specific dates for meetings are as follows:

April	19
May	17
June	21
July	19
August	16
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3. Meetings will begin at approximately 6:00 p.m.

4. Special meetings of the Corridor Improvement Authority may be called pursuant to the applicable statute.

5. Regular meetings may be canceled, recessed, or postponed by members of the Corridor Improvement Authority pursuant to the applicable statute.



**Charter Township of Meridian
Development Projects
(March 10, 2017 - April 12, 2017)**

New Business

- Ribbon Cutting/Open House- L.O. Eye Care, 6 p.m. on 4/26/17 at 5100 Marsh Road, Okemos.
- Pasilla Mexican Grill- 1982 Grand River Ave. (Meridian Mall).

Project Updates

- Marriot Courtyard – site plan approved for new four story hotel with 97 rooms (64,052 square feet) at Jolly Oak Rd./Meridian Crossings Dr.
- Hannah Farms East – Proposed project of group of buildings greater than 25,000 square feet at Eyde Parkway/Hannah Boulevard. Planning Commission recommended approval on 3/27/17. Public hearing scheduled for 5/2/17 Township Board meeting.
- 1619 Haslett Rd- Request to demolish and reconstruct gas station, public hearing held on 2/13/17. Planning Commission recommended approval on 3/13/17. Public Hearing scheduled for 4/18/17 Township Board meeting.
- Patriot Ambulance Service- Proposed project to establish an ambulance transport service at 1673 Haslett Rd. Public hearing held on 3/27/17. Approved at 4/10/17 Planning Commission Hearing.
- Chamberlain Townhouses- Construction underway for a 19,500 square foot, 8 unit townhouse project at 1730 Chamberlain Drive.