



District Improvement Program Review Committee

Meeting Minutes – 10/3/2025 at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom

I. Attendees

Voting Members:

- Toledo City Council Chief of Staff: Lucy Frank (proxy for Council President Hartman)
- District Councilmember: Theresa Morris
- Director of Economic Development: Brandon Sehlhorst

Non-Voting Members:

- Director of Parks & Youth Services: Joe Fausnaugh

II. Applications

a. Friendship Park Basketball Court Improvement Application

Fausnaugh provided a detailed overview of the proposed project, noting that these basketball courts are among the most heavily used in the City but are currently in poor condition. The project will involve a full repaving of the courts along with new sports surfacing to restore them to high-quality standards. The work is expected to be bid this fall, with construction slated to begin in spring 2026 once asphalt plants reopen.

Frank reported that District 6 currently has an available DIP balance of \$318,766.61. If approved, this project would reduce the balance to \$238,766.61.

Motion: Motion was made by Sehlhorst and seconded by Frank to recommend approval of the Friendship Park Basketball Court Improvement Project District Improvement Program application to Toledo City Council authorizing the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$80,000 from District 6's available DIP balance.

Vote:

Yeas: Frank, Morris and Sehlhorst

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

b. Fort Meigs Sertoma Pickleball Court Project Application

Fausnaugh presented a comprehensive overview of the proposed project, which will bring the first pickleball courts to District 6 by repurposing existing tennis courts. The courts will be fully repaved, with new fencing added. The project is

scheduled to be bid this fall, with construction anticipated in spring 2026 once asphalt plants reopen.

He noted that while the park offers many amenities, it has not received significant investment in years, and he believes this project will help spark renewed interest and utilization. Sehlhorst expressed enthusiasm for the project, admitting he was previously unfamiliar with the park's location—an observation Morris confirmed is a common reaction. Morris voiced her support for both the pickleball courts and continued reinvestment in this pocket park.

Fausnaugh also shared that Parks will host a pickleball clinic once the courts are open to teach residents how to play. Frank reported that District 6 currently has an available DIP balance of \$238,766.61. If approved, this project will reduce that balance to \$63,766.61.

Motion: Motion was made by Morris and seconded by Sehlhorst to recommend approval of the Fort Meigs Sertoma Pickleball Court Project District Improvement Program application to Toledo City Council authorizing the expenditure of an amount not to exceed \$175,000 from District 6's available DIP balance.

Vote:

Yeas: Frank, Morris and Sehlhorst

Nays: None

Abstentions: None