Soccer Stadium Update

Committee of the Whole November 12, 2024

Grand Action 2.0 Transformational Brownfields Overview



Project Overview

All renderings from April 2024 COW Presentation

TBP Soccer Stadium





- 8500 seat Soccer Stadium
- 8.2 acre development site on surface parking lots west of US-131
- Future development of up to 260 residential apartments





Additional Soccer Stadium Details

- \$174.6M projected project investment (includes land acquisition, design, construction and contingency)
- \$175M in Sources Secured or being raised:
 - \$100M from County Lodging Excise Tax (City issued bonds)
 - \$10M from approved TBP
 - \$5M from the CAA
 - \$60M in private donations
- Spring 2025 anticipated construction start; professional soccer games in 2027

Today's Requested Commission Actions

- Approve Restated
 Operating Agreement:
 - Adds Soccer Stadium to CAA portfolio
 - Defines Operating Reserves at 15% combined prior year expenses
 - Defines Capital Reserves at greater of \$2M or \$1M per facility
 - Establishes "waterfall" of sources to cover any future operating revenue shortfall
 - Eliminates outdated provisions

- Approve Restated
 Agreement re: Lodging
 Excise Tax with Kent
 County
 - Includes prior approval for \$27.M bond issuance for amphitheater
 - Adds approval for \$100.5M bond issuance for soccer stadium
 - Bonds issued by City, County commits Lodging Excise Tax to pay annual debt service
 - Provides "waterfall" of sources to cover any lodging tax shortfall

Today's Requested Commission Actions (Con't)

- Approve Notice of Intent to issue bonds for Soccer Stadium
 - In the amount of \$100.5M
 - On Fiscal Committee agenda
 - Anticipated bond sale not later than April 30, 2025

- Approve Actions by Grand Rapids-Kent County Convention/Arena Authority
 - CAA signature on Restated Operating Agreement
 - CAA agreement with Kent County to fund certain debt reserve and service account