

**CITY OF GRAND HAVEN
GRAND HAVEN, MICHIGAN
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION
MONDAY, MAY 18, 2026**

The Special Work Session of the Grand Haven City Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Bob Monetza in the Council Chambers of Grand Haven City Hall at 519 Washington Ave, Grand Haven, MI 49417.

Present: Council Members Mike Fritz, Sarah Kallio, Erin Lyon, Mayor Pro-tem Mike Dora, and Mayor Bob Monetza.

Absent: None.

Others Present: City Manager Ashley Latsch, City Clerk Maria Boersma, City Attorney Ron Bultje, Assistant City Manager Dana Kollewehr, Finance Director Emily Greene, Public Safety Director Nichole Hudson, Public Works Director Michael England, and City Planner Brian Urquhart.

PRESENTATION

Assistant City Manager Dana Kollewehr presented on the history of the sale of the property at 520 S Harbor Drive, known as the Diesel Plant, to Lakewood Construction and CLRED.

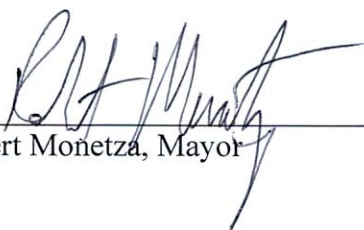
Kyle Engbers from Lakewood Construction shared that the original intent for the redevelopment project at the Diesel Plant was to salvage the building and turn it into a restaurant and event center. After purchasing the building, Lakewood received two letters of intent for a tenant, but both turned out to be unsuccessful, and CLRED had to divest from the project. Shortly after CLRED divested, Capstone joined as an investor in the project. After testing the roof and concrete for structural integrity, the developers learned that saving the building was not a financially viable option.

John Groothuis of Capstone shared Capstone's history with the building and their proposal for the property that was not selected. After investing in the project with Lakewood Construction, John shared their new proposal for the site. The current structure would be torn down, and a replica of the original building would be constructed, along with two additional new structures. The plans include 19 attached housing units (7 in the replica structure, 8 in the second structure, 4 in the third structure), along with a restaurant space.


The presentation was informational only, and official plans have not yet been submitted to the city for review. City Council members provided preliminary feedback to the developers.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Monetza adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.



Robert Monetza, Mayor



Maria Boersma, City Clerk