

HAZEN COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT, INC.

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ND Legislature
Interim Committee
State Capitol
Bismarck, ND 58545

Re: JDA History -- Hazen

Honorable Members of the ND Legislature:

Thank you for the opportunity and honor to be invited to visit about Hazen's Job Development Authority (JDA). I have been privileged to work for the City of Hazen since 1999.

Hazen's JDA was formed on April 18, 1988 by the City of Hazen. The city commission entered into a contract on that date with Hazen Community Development, Inc. (HCD) to conduct the functions of a city Job Development Authority, including advertising, promoting and developing industrial and business expansion within the City of Hazen. A tax levy of 4 mills was authorized. In 1995 when Hazen (using Home Rule) voted in a 1 cent sales tax of which the JDA was designated 50 percent.


From June 16, 1995 to August 14, 2007 Hazen's one-cent sales tax totaled \$1,586,791.95 of which the JDA has controlled 50 percent.

The City of Hazen supported the HCD office fiscally until 2006 at which time the authorized 4 mill levy was implemented and the financial assistance from the city was decreased accordingly.

All sales tax funds are approved first by the HCD board and then submitted to the City Commission of Hazen for final approval. In many cases the process starts with recommendations from the executive committee of HCD - then with recommendation to the full board of HCD - and finally with recommendation to the Hazen City Commission.

It's my opinion that the City of Hazen is a better community as a direct result of JDA and later the Home Rule, Sales Tax, Renaissance Zone, and the Renaissance Fund Organization. When I came to Hazen our Main Street had several vacated buildings. They are now filled with businesses and more are being built new. However, we still have a long way to go.

Sincerely,



Duke Wm. Rosendahl
Executive Director

PROJECT	EXPENDITURE	BUSINESS	HOUSING	RECREATION	EDUCAT'N	JOBS	
PATIO HOMES	121,997.00		230438.00				All nine homes filled
PIONEER PARK	500.00			500.00			Statue Repair
PROFESSIONAL WALLEY TOURN	2,000.00			2000.00			brought \$ thousands to area
REC CENTER	9,710.00			9710.00		1	potential for motel/rec comp
RV PARK	28,000.00			28000.00			Boon to area retail
SAKAKAWEA OUTFITTERS	5,000.00	2.00	5000.00		5000.00	2	Brings and keeps people
SCHOOL COMP UPGRADE	500.00				500.00		Computer Education
SCHOOL TRACK REPAIRS	1,000.00				1000.00		Now holding large events
SMI	46,926.00	46926.00				0	Closed but reopened as AWM
MEDICAL TRANSCRIPTION	5,925.00	5925.00				4	Several transcribers in area
VANCO	1,900.00	1900.00				1	Great primary sector business
IMPACT TELMARKETING	127,911.00	127911.00				20	Long running employer
NOBEL GAMES	133,957.00	133957.00				40	Closed but repoened as TGW
RV COMFORT STATION	39,143.00			39143.00		1	Well used awesome facility
MCED (COUNTY DEVELOPMENT)	6,000.00						Leveraged many jobs in county
HAZEN BAY	10,000.00			10000.00		1	Ramp and Convenience Center
COMPUTER CENTER	6,890.00				6890.00		Computer Training / 3 years
AWM STAFFING	66,250.00	66250.00				4	Incubated -- now growing
BALL BOOSTERS	600.00			600.00			Shelter at ballpark
HAZEN GOLF COURSE	1,500.00			1500.00			Air Conditioner (assist)
TECH CENTER	50,776.00						Rehab for office space
INTEREST BUYDOWNS	5,636.00	5636.00					Local Startups and expansions
CHAMBER ASSISTANCE	55,000.00						Operating
CITIZEN RECRUITMENT	9,000.00						9 new residents from incentive
FARMERS ELEVATOR	14,938.00	14938.00				4	From closing to now strong
HAZEN WINTER SPORTS	7,500.00			7500.00			Zambini Purchase (assist.)
IRRIGATION (BIG BEND IR. DIST.)	5,000.00	5000.00					Creation of Big Bend Ir. Dist.
KETTLE COOKIN'	3,600.00	3600.00				1	Not in business any more
	767,159.00	412045.00	235438.00	98953.00	13390.00	79	

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There are several other completed ongoing projects in Hazen, ND

Hazen Tech Center Purchase / Rehab / Recruitment – This building now sold
Commerce Center Building (spec) \$250,000 plus an additional \$300,000 to complete
J and L Automotive partial Loan guarantee – 6 jobs
Mercer County Airport Rent guarantee large facility (bus. Attraction)
Renaissance Zone – 6 projects (5 retail – 1 residential)
Buffalo Valley Veterinary Clinic – recruited - technical and partial fiscal support (MCED)

Other Miscellaneous:

Maintain Web Site	Ongoing Maintenance
Bill board	At Hazen Bay
Hazen Highway Signs	Until recently no Hazen signs on US 83 or I-90
Access Channel	Brought in the now well used Access Channel
Flood Plain Study	Pushed for study to increase land availability
Renaissance Fund Org	Establishe RFO which now has about \$30,000 revolving avail.

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