



DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES

CITY OF DULUTH

3167 MAIN ST
DULUTH, GA 30096

FEBRUARY 21, 2023, at 5:30PM

AUTHORITY MEMBERS:

Ken Odum, Chair
Jim Graham, Vice Chair
Richard Meehan, Secretary
Slade Lail, Treasurer

Fred Butler
Tammy Lopez
Robb Watson

PRESENT:

Ken Odum, Chair
Richard Meehan, Secretary

Robb Watson
Slade Lail, Treasurer

ABSENT:

Jim Graham, Vice Chair
Fred Butler
Tammy Lopez

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. DDA Chair Ken Odum called the February 21, 2023, meeting to order at 5:31pm.

II. ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. DDA Chair Odum requested approval of the minutes from the January 17, 2023, meeting.

A motion was made by Mr. Lail and seconded by Mr. Watson to approve the January 17, 2023 meeting minutes as presented. All voted in favor.

IV. RED CLAY REPORT

A. Eddie Owen presented January had 13 shows, 1,328 people; to date 1,801 shows and 197,153 people. January was the first month since the 2020 pandemic that we did not have a show cancel due to COVID..

V. FINANCE REPORT

A. Ken Sakmar provided an update on the progress of the authority accounts.

VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. EV Installation Update – Jessica Bianchi updated the authority on the progress of the installation to the group. The City is waiting on the part for the installer and once it is received, we will be at the top of the list for installation.

B. CoHatch – Chris McGahee updated the group of the progress of the project which has now closed.

C. Website Update – Jessica Bianchi updated authority on the opportunity to update the website to a safer more user-friendly site last month. This month the City updated the authority on the cost and plan information.

A motion was made by Mr. Meehan and seconded by Mr. Watson to approve changing of the DDA website provider to Revize and allocate the site development cost of \$22,770 over the next 60 months. Meehan, Lail, Watson and Odum All voted in favor.

D. Thrive Update – Chris McGahee updated the authority on the progress of the building.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. Budget Amendment– Ken Sakmar gave an update on the (3141 Hill Street) Master Condominium Association Insurance Policy. This will be a budget amendment for year one and two and an estimate for year three for \$36,600.

A motion was made by Mr. Watson and seconded by Mr. Lail to approve Ordinance BA-FY23-05 as presented. All voted in favor.

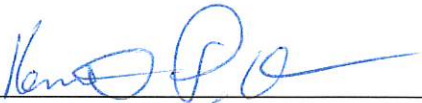
B. Branding Efforts – Jessica Bianchi updated the authority on the Undeniably Downtown Duluth branding efforts and social media platforms.

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

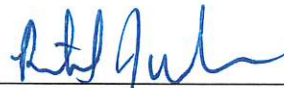
IX. ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. Meehan and seconded by Mr. Watson to adjourn the regular session of the DDA. All voted in favor. The meeting adjourned at 6:51pm.

The next regularly scheduled DDA meeting is March 21, 2023.



Chairman, Ken Odum



Secretary, Richard Meehan

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