



LAWRENCEVILLE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
Board of Directors Meeting
Monday November 25, 2013 / 7:00 PM
City Hall - GwMA Conference Room on 3rd Floor
70 South Clayton Street

MINUTES

- 1.0 CALL TO ORDER** – Mike Reedy, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:01.
- 2.0 QUORUM** - Mike Reedy, Chairman, Meg Earhart
- 3.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION** – Board Discussion, David Still motioned to move the executive session to 11.0. Penny Cogdill seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.
- 4.0 MINUTES** – Mike Reedy, Chairman, requested approval of the October 28 Meeting Minutes. D.H. Malcolm motion to approve the minutes. Parker Gann seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.
- 5.0 AGENDA** - Mike Reedy, Chairman, Approve November Meeting Agenda
- 6.0 TREASURY REPORT** – Danny Gravitt, Treasurer, reported that the city is conducting their audit and is auditing the DDA as part of that process. Danny submitted all necessary financial documents to the city accountant, Libby Cromer. There was a utility bill paid, a check deposit from the Depot and a check deposit from the City for the Alcohol excise tax. Mike Reedy submitted an invoice for the property appraisal.
- 7.0 OLD BUSINESS** – Mike Reedy, Chairman
 - a. VIC Maintenance Update – Mike Reedy, Chairman, reported that 60 of the porch spindles were sanded and primed. He is working through the detail and will not receive a draw on the payment until work has been approved.
 - b. Parking Deck Signage Update – Mike Reedy, Chairman, Steven Elliott with DeNyse will be contacting Lisa Sherman Monday Dec. 2 to take photos of the parking garage. Aurora Theatre would like to be present for the site visit. There may be a small fee but not much to design the signage for the parking deck.
- 8.0 NEW BUSINESS** – Mike Reedy, Chairman
 - a. LTTA Christmas Banquet – Lisa Sherman, Executive Director, invited the board to attend the December 3 LTTA Membership Banquet meeting.

- b. December Meeting – Mike Reedy, Chairman, noted that our next meeting was the week of Christmas. David Still motioned to cancel the December meeting and attend the LTTA banquet. Parker Gann seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.
- c. Visual Arts Concept – Mike Reedy, Chairman, presented an idea for some public art in and around the Lawn and other major points in the City. His proposal included a cement foundation with a bolt system on which public artists could participate in displaying their art in and around the city. David Still shared interest in this concept and suggested that the DDA research how Chattanooga did their permanent and semi-permanent art throughout the city. He also touched on Greenville’s study on a public art initiative. Lisa offered to set up a meeting with Denise Brinson (invite Mike and D.H.) to explore the SculpTOUR option and contact DCA about Design Studio options. Put this on the January agenda for follow up. Steve North discussed the Gateway Corridor and how to incorporate this concept in with this committee’s thoughts and ideas for entry way.

9.0 OTHER BUSINESS – Board Discussion

- a. Officer elections – Mike Reedy, Chairman, suggested that we elect officers through a ballot. Steve North confirmed that votes must be taken in a public meeting so the ballot concept would not work. The Mayor will have made appointments by the end of the year for the DDA board. The vote will be taken in the January meeting. D.H. Malcolm motioned to table the election to the January meeting. Danny Gravitt seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.
- b. DDA Lease Agreement – Mike Reedy, Chairman, shared that GP Enterprises wanted to store some dirt on city property owned by the DDA. The Council is in favor of allowing this contractor to temporarily store this dirt on the property and is asking the DDA to approve and sign the agreement to allow this lease. David Still recommended that the DDA sign an IGA with the City for a management agreement that would allow the City Council to manage all properties owned by the DDA. Parker Gann motioned that the GP agreement be approved for Mike Reedy to sign. David Still seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

10.0 CITIZEN COMMENTS

- a. Marie Beiser commented that the Shoppes at Webb Gin have a lot of sculptures that may be worth taking a look at as the DDA researches its public art initiative.

11.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION – D.H. Malcolm motioned to enter executive session for the purpose of discussing a single matter of real estate. David Still seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0. The board discussed 1 matter of real estate during the executive session. No votes were taken. David Still motioned to adjourn out of executive session back into general session. D.H. Malcolm seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.

12.0 ADJOURNMENT - Danny Gravitt motioned to adjourn. Penny Cogdill seconded the motion. The motion carried 6-0.