# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF COLUMBUS GEORGIA October 3, 2019

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Alfred Blackmar, Selvin Hollingsworth, Jacki Lowe, Heath Schondelmayer, Chris Wightman, Jimmy Yancey

### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

**Russ Carreker** 

#### **ALSO PRESENT:**

Ben Adams, Richard Baxter, Josh Beard, Sendreka Lakes, Rob McKenna, Stacey Pritchard, Joe Sanders, Brian Sillitto, Katherine Kelly

Jimmy Yancey, Vice Chair, noting that a quorum was present and proper notice had been given in accordance with the requirements of Georgia law, called the October 3, 2019 meeting to order. He welcomed Chris Wightman who has been appointed to finish the term of Jason Cuevas.

#### **MINUTES**

Upon motion made by Alfred Blackmar and seconded by Selvin Hollingsworth, the Authority unanimously approved the minutes of the September 5, 2019 meeting attached as Exhibit "A".

#### **FINANCIAL REPORT**

Heath Schondelmayer reported that the Authority is three months into the FY. He made a few comments about variances. The audit will be presented at the November meeting. **Upon motion made** by Selvin Hollingsworth and seconded by Jacki Lowe, the Authority unanimously approved the September 2019 Financial Reports attached as Exhibit "B".

## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

• Brian Sillitto remaindered members that Mat Swift is being sworn in Monday by Governor Kemp to the Georgia Department of Economic Development Board. Brian Sillitto reported he has been appointed to the GEDA Board of Directors. Ben Adams gave an update on MTP Parcel 8 developments. Parcels 8 and 9 have been submitted to several prospects. Brian Sillitto gave an update on the Hotel project and spoke about the MOU. The parking plan is being discussed. The MOU is on the City Council agenda for execution. He reported on leads and gave updates on the active projects in Exhibit "C". He reported that he is going to the IEDC Conference and Josh Beard is going to AUSA conference. He is going to SEUS - Japan conference in Savannah which is held in Georgia every 14 years. He talked about the results from the Matrix Design Group and how these related to various areas of Columbus 2025. Larry Crane is helping with closing out the OEA Grant. Josh Beard reported on the activities he has been doing during the past month and plans for future.

## **CITY OF COLUMBUS REPORT**

No report

### **OLD BUSINESS**

Richard Baxter reported the final figures for The Long Night movie. He reported that Electric Jesus has completed shooting. A second Bruce Willis movie is scheduled to begin shooting in November. He reported on other possible movies. The MOU between the City and Development Authority is on City Council agenda for next week.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

None

# **LEGAL ISSUES**

None

## **OTHER ISSUES**

Approved by:

Jacki Lowe asked about a resolution for Gary Jones.

# **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

## MEETING ADJOURNED

Upon motion made by Jacki Lowe and seconded by Selvin Hollingsworth, the meeting was adjourned.

By:

BRIAN J. SILLITTO

ASSISTANT SECRETARY

Russell D. Carreker, Chair