



## Downtown Development Authority Meeting

Thursday, September 12, 2024, at 6:30 PM  
875 Main Street, Stone Mountain, GA 30083

### Regular Meeting Minutes

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#### I. Call to Order

- Carl Wright called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm.
- Members Present: Carl Wright, Thom DeLoach, Denise Phillips, Council Member Anita Bass and Michelle Dunbar. Jenna Barclay was absent from this meeting.

#### II. Approval of the Agenda

- Thom DeLoach made a motion to approve the agenda to include one additional item - the approval of a landscaping proposal #7790: *Alley Way Landscape Enhancement*, for \$6,995.82, seconded by Anita Bass. Unanimously approved.

#### III. DDA Chairperson / Words of Privilege: the Chairperson didn't make any comments.

#### IV. Approval of Minutes

- **DDA Special Called Meeting Minutes, August 12, 2024:** Motion by Anita Bass to approve the meeting minutes, seconded by Denise Phillips. Unanimously approved.
- **DDA Regular Meeting Minutes, August 26, 2024:** Motion by Michelle Dunbar to approve the special called minutes, seconded by Denise Phillips. Unanimously approved.

#### V. Citizen Comments:

- Larry Charles introduced himself and mentioned that he just started a new business in the city. The business is about real estate and is located at 925 Main Street.
- David Thomas shared his thoughts on the proposed location for the mural; and on the facade grant that was requested by the 5380 Studios.

#### VI. Director's Report

- The DDA Director mentioned that the DDA's monthly report to the DCA has been submitted.

#### VII. Council Report

- Council and DDA Member Anita Bass, provided a brief update on the last council meeting discussions/action items.

#### VIII. Old Business

- **RFQ #2, 2024 / Mural Project: 901 Main Street:** Motion by Denise Phillips to approve the proposed RFQ #2, 2024; seconded by Anita Bass. Unanimously approved. (Michelle Dunbar did not participate in the discussion regarding the RFQ and the proposed location, she also recused herself from voting).

**IX. New Business**

- 1. Discussion Item: DDA Director Role:** there was no discussion.
- 2. Facade Grant- 5380 Studios:** there was no discussion.
  - Thom DeLoach made a motion to postpone this item for October, seconded Anita Bass. Unanimously approved.
- 3. Facade Grant- Sweet Potato Café:**
  - Thom DeLoach made a motion to approve the Sweet Potato Café request for a Façade Grant, seconded by Denise Phillips. Unanimously approved.
- 4. Action Item: Landscaping Project / Proposal #7705, #7707 and #7790:**
  - Anita Bass made a motion to approve proposal #7705, #7707 and #7790, seconded by Denise Phillips. Unanimously approved.
- 5. Discussion Item- Landscaping Project:** there was a brief discussion about moving the project under city supervision.

**X. Executive Session to discuss Personnel, Legal, and/or Real Estate (if needed)**

Motion by Thom DeLoach to enter an executive session to discuss Personnel, Legal, and/or Real Estate, seconded by Michelle Dunbar. Unanimously approved.

Motion by Denise Phillips to adjourn the Executive Session, seconded by Michelle Dunbar. Unanimously approved.

**XI. Adjournment:**

Motion by Denise Phillips to adjourn the Regular Meeting, seconded by Michelle Dunbar. Unanimously approved.