



Downtown Development Authority Meeting

Thursday, November 18, 2024, at 7:00 PM
875 Main Street, Stone Mountain, GA 30083

Regular Meeting Minutes

I. Call to Order

- Carl Wright called the meeting to order at 7:46 pm.
- Members Present: Carl Wright, Denise Phillips, Council Member Anita Bass and Michelle Dunbar. The DDA Legal Team also attended in person. Jenna Barclay and Thom DeLoach were absent from this meeting.

II. Approval of the Agenda

- Anita Bass made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Michelle Dunbar. Unanimously approved.

III. Approval of Minutes.

- **Minutes from Special Called JOINT SESSION Mayor & Council, and DDA / 11.12.2024:** Motion by Anita Bass to approve the minutes, seconded by Denise Phillips. Unanimously approved.
- **DDA Regular Meeting Minutes: October 28, 2024:** Denise Phillips requested the following content to be included to the minutes about the Discussion/Action Item: DDA Budget, FY2025: *The DDA Board held a budget discussion for FY 2025. Total project and program expenditures were \$725,750.00. The DDA Chairman and Director presented the draft budget to the city. After discussion with the city government, the DDA is requesting support from the city for \$175,750.00.* Motion by Anita Bass to approve the updated October 28th minutes, seconded by Denise Phillips. Unanimously approved.

IV. Citizen Comments:

- Grace Kelly provided feedback about the "Day of the Dead" event.

V. Director's Report

- The DDA Director mentioned that the DDA's monthly report to the DCA has been submitted. The DDA Members were provided with the DDA Financials for July, August and September 2024.

VI. Council Report

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

VII. New Business:

- **Discussion Item: Mural Agreement Packet:** the DDA Board decided to discuss the agreement during their Executive Session.

- **Discussion Item:** Issuance of Permits: the DDA held a brief discussion about the process and time frame for acquiring a business license in the City.
- **Discussion Item: DDA Partnership with other organizations:** The DDA held a brief discussion about partnering with other organizations and creating programs for the businesses/community. An important note was made that the programs should fall under the Main Street 4-point approach (vitality, design, promotion & organization/community engagement programs).

VIII. Executive Session to discuss Personnel, Legal, and/or Real Estate

- Motion by Michelle Dunbar to enter into an Executive Session, seconded by Denise Phillips. Unanimously approved.
- Motion by Denise Phillips to exit the Executive Session, seconded by Michelle Dunbar. Unanimously approved.

IX. Adjournment:

Motion by Michelle Dunbar to adjourn the Regular Meeting, seconded by Anita Bass. Unanimously approved.