



**MINUTES OF THE DOWNTOWN MEMPHIS COMMISSION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Friday, April 26, 2019

9:00 A.M.

114 North Main Street

Board Members Present: Ms. Deni Reilly, Ms. Elizabeth Low, Ms. Joann Massey (for Mayor Strickland), Ms. Julie Ellis, Ms. Cheyenne Johnson, Mr. John Pontius, Mr. Benjamin Orgel, and Ms. Terry Woodard

Board Members Not Present: Representative Barbara Cooper, Mr. John Zeanah (for Mayor Luttrell), Commissioner Mickell Lowery, Mr. Williams Brack, Ms. Cheryl Pesce, Mr. Demar Roberts, Senator Raumesh Akbari, Chris McLean and Mr. Mauricio Calvo

Staff Present: Ms. Jennifer Oswald, Ms. Christine Taylor, Mr. Brett Roler, Mr. Jaske Goff, Mr. Abram Lueders, Ms. Penelope Springer, Ms. Penelope Huston, Mr. Erik Stevenson, Ms. Debra Streeter and Mr. Leslie Walker

Guests: Mr. James Stokes, Mr. Ray Brown, Mr. Roderick DeBerry, Ms. Carmen Hines, Ms. Michelle Corbett and Ms. Desiree Stennett

Call to Order

Chairman Reilly called the meeting to order at 9:05 am.

Chairman Reilly called for agenda item II: Approval of March 22, 2019 Minutes

Mr. Benjamin Orgel made a motion to approve the minutes and Ms. Julie Ellis seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Chairman Reilly called for agenda item III: Chair's Report

Ms. Reilly reviewed the recent activities of the other boards.

Chairman Reilly called for agenda item IV: South City Update

Mr. Paul Young, Director of Housing & Community Development provided an update of the South City project. South City is the redevelopment of Foote Homes, the city's last public housing project. The development includes 712 mixed income apartments.

Chairman Reilly called for agenda item V: CCDC Election

Ms. Oswald introduced the recommendation of the election of Carl Person to serve on the CCDC board. Ms. Joann Massey made a motion to approve the election of Carl Person to the CCDC board and Mr. Benjamin Orgel seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Chairman Reilly called for agenda item VI: Financial Report/Budget

Ms. Penelope Springer presented the Financial Report and the budget to the DMC Board. Mr. John Pontius made a motion to approve the budget as presented and Ms. Joann Massey seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Chairman Reilly called for agenda item VII: Diversity Report

Mr. Jaske Goff presented the Quarterly Diversity report to the board.

Chairman Reilly called for agenda item VII: President's Report

Ms. Jennifer Oswald updated the board on the BSB training. Debra Streeter informed the board on the BSB training for CPR, basic first aid and Narcan dispensing. Ms. Oswald also updated the board on Parking Study, Master Plan and upcoming events.

Chairman Reilly called for agenda item VIII: New Business/ Adjournment

With no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:50 am.