

**Downtown Development District
Special Board of Commissioners Meeting
Thursday, June 25, 2015**

Board of Commissioners meeting was called to order at 4:12pm.

Members Present: Judy Barrasso, Troy Carter, Allison Tiller, Karyn Kearney, Tod Chambers & Kevin Kelly

Members Absent: Ron Gardner, Jade Brown Russell, Joseph Bruno, Jr., Carla Major & Bill Hines

Staff/Counsel Present: Kurt Weigle, Anthony Carter, Stacey Weaver & Bill Aaron

Other Staff Present: None

Staff Absent: None

Members of the Public: Terri Kitto & Bill Stamm from Duplantier, Hrapmann, et al

Notice: The time, location, and agenda had been adequately and publicly noticed.

Action Items

- Adoption of Agenda
- Adoption of June 2, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes
- Election of Officers
- Approval of Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire
- Approval of 2014 Audit

Detailed Agenda Items

Adoption of Agenda – Action Item – Chair Barrasso requested a motion to adopt the agenda as drafted. Moved by Immediate Past Chair Carter; supported by Secretary Chambers. The motion carried unanimously.

Adoption of June, 2015 Board Meeting Minutes – Action Item – There being no discussion, Chair Barrasso requested a motion to approve the June 2, 2015 meeting minutes as drafted. Moved by Secretary Chambers; supported by Commissioner Kearney. The motion carried unanimously.

Nominating Committee Report – Chair Barrasso informed the Board that the Nominating Committee met on June 17th and unanimously agreed to nominate the following slate: Allison Tiller for the office of Chair, Joseph Bruno, Jr for the office of Vice Chair, Tod Chambers for the office of Treasurer and Kevin Kelly for the office of Secretary. Chair Barrasso added that all nominees have agreed to serve.

Election of Officers – Action Item – Chair Barrasso requested a motion to approve the slate of elected officers – Moved by Immediate Past Chair Carter; supported by Commissioner Kearney. The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire – Action Item – Mr. Carter informed the Board that the questionnaire is a standard State required form in conjunction with the audit. He added that the DDD is compliant in all areas.

Chair Barrasso requested a motion to approve the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire. Moved by Vice Chair Tiller; supported by Secretary Chambers. The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of 2014 Audit – Action Item – Mr. Stamm gave a brief report to the Committee highlighting the items of importance within the 2014 audit. He informed the Committee that the DDD has a clean audit but added that there is the usual timing issue with collecting advalorem taxes from the City. Mr. Stamm concluded that the DDD's audit went well and the financials look good. Mr. Weigle thanked the Finance Department for the work on preparing the audit.

Chair Barrasso requested a motion to approve the 2014 Audit. Moved by Immediate Past Chair Carter; supported by Vice Chair Tiller. The motion carried unanimously.

Old Business – No old business.

New Business – Mr. Weigle stated that he and Immediate Past Chair Carter had a meeting with Deputy Mayor Grant earlier this week to discuss Duncan Plaza. The next phase is the proposal being forwarded to the Mayor hopefully, for approval. Mr. Weigle thanked Immediate Past Chair Carter for his help. If the Mayor approves, Mr. Weigle will reconvene meetings with the various stakeholders who are willing to contribute. The park will continue to be a public park. Commissioner Kearney stated that the DDD should have a thorough communications plan available and possibly provide a case study. She also stated that she would set up a meeting between the DDD and the Duncan family. The Board discussed.

Public Comment – No public comment.

Adjournment – Chair Barrasso requested a motion to adjourn the Board Meeting. Moved by Commissioner Kearney; supported by Secretary Chambers. The motion carried unanimously. The meeting ended at 4:33p.m.