# DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES Thursday, March 3, 2022, 3:00 p.m. – 3:46 p.m. ZOOM TELECONFERENCE

Roll taken, Quorum present - Meeting was called to order at 3:16 p.m.

Members Present: Gregory Curtis, Carla Major, Chris Ross, Cleveland Spears

## Members Absent:

### **Other Board Members Present:**

**Staff/Counsel Present:** Davon Barbour, Anthony Carter, Stuart Taylor, (Counsel) Scott Whittaker- Stone Pigman, Brittany Carnes – Stone Pigman

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

**Call for Public Input Cards:** Aaron J. Jordan letter was read into record by President Barbour. Mr. Jordan was given the opportunity to read his letter, he declined. The public letter was addressed by Chair Curtis who took exception to the insinuation that President Barbour did not take the complaint seriously. Chair Curtis move to accept, Commissioner Spears move to accept, Seconded by Commissioner Ross. Motion carried.

Public Comments - Will be done during the agenda item it is in reference to

#### **Action Items**

- Approval of January 26, 2022, Executive Committee Meeting Minutes
- Approval of Resolution to Authorize and Ratify Extensions to Agreement for Sidewalk Cleaning & Public Space

**Approval of Executive Committee Meeting Minutes from January 26, 2022** – Chair Curtis requested a motion to approve the November 17, 2021, meeting minutes. Moved by Vice Chair Major; Supported by Treasurer Ross; Motion carried.

Approval of Resolution Authorize Ratify Extensions to Agreement for Sidewalk Cleaning & Public Space Maintenance Services - Chair Curtis requested a motion to approve resolution, with the proviso as suggested by Commissioner Major that the contract be revisited before the existing contract expires on July 31, 2022. DDD will then go through the procurement process. Moved by Vice Chair Major; Supported by Treasurer Ross: Motion carried.

**Discussion of Draft City Council Redistricting Maps** – Map 2 will impact the DDD. It was pointed out that if the redistricting goes through on March 16<sup>th</sup>, DDD will be more significantly overlapping two City Council Districts. Chair Curtis pointed out that it is not for the DDD to take a position. DDD will continue to work with the councilmembers.

## **Project Updates**

Davon Barbour gave the following updates:

- Introduced/Welcomed the new Director of Operations Hunter Hebert who responded that he is excited to work with the DDD to assist with turning things around
- President Barbour intends to give a robust update on the new data sources/programs at the regular board meeting. More information regarding projects will also be disseminated at the board meeting
- Chair Curtis mentioned that New Orleans Mardi Gras received positive feedback from both national and international news

### **Old Business**

501C3 Wisner Funding will be discussed at DDU meeting

### **New Business**

- Car break-ins are an ongoing problem in the 400 block of Julia
- Commissioner Major wanted to know if the DDD would be doing anything special to thank the police and DDD staff for their services during Mardi Gras. President Barbour will explore the opportunity to express the DDD appreciation
- Commissioner Ross would like the by-laws for non-profit sent to the Board
- Chair Curtis will continue to review the DDD By-laws

#### **Executive Session**

none

#### Adjournment

Moved Vice Chair Major and Supported Treasurer Ross, motion carried