

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TAKEN AT A
REGULAR MEETING ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2019

Those present: Miles Matt, Mike Delcambre, Lisa Thomas, Ross Fontenot, Gus Rezende and Greg Walls

Those absent: Jim Keaty

Staff present: Anita Begnaud, Amy Trahan

Others present: Nancy Broadhurst, Paul Molbert, Katie Hebert, Bruce Conque, Tim Skinner, Corey Jack, Sam Oliver, Emily Shute, Brett Mellington, Danielle Breaux

The meeting was called to order by Matt.

Public comment cards were available on table in the back of room for anyone who wished to speak in regard to items on the agenda.

Administrative Approvals/Reports

November Minutes – The November Minutes were presented for approval. Fontenot motioned to approve as presented, Thomas seconded, all voted in favor.

October Financial Statements – The October Financials were presented for approval. Walls motioned to approve the October Financial Statements as presented, Fontenot seconded, all voted in favor.

Final FY2020 Budget – The Final FY2020 Budget was presented for approval. Delcambre motioned to approve the 2020 Budget as presented, Fontenot seconded, all voted in favor.

2020 Meeting Calendar - The 2020 Meeting Calendar was presented for approval. Fontenot motioned to approve the 2020 Meeting Calendar as presented, Rezende seconded, all voted in favor.

2020 Meeting Location - The 2020 Meeting Location of Le Centre Conference Room was presented for approval. Fontenot motioned to approve the 2020 Meeting Location as presented, Delcambre seconded, all voted in favor.

2020 Official Journal - The 2020 Official Journal as The Daily Advertiser was presented for approval. Fontenot motioned to approve the 2020 Official Journal as presented, Delcambre seconded, all voted in favor.

Budget Adjustment – Budget Adjustments to move \$500 from Supplies and Materials to Duplicating Equipment and to move \$3,200 from Equipment Maintenance to Supplies and Materials was presented for approval. Fontenot motioned to approve the Budget Adjustments as presented, Walls seconded, all voted in favor.

Lafayette General

Paul Molbert, Nancy Broadhusrt, and Katie Hebert with Lafayette General updated board on new clinic to be locating in the Downtown area. The clinic hopes to provide care for an additional 10,000-15,000 additional patients in the community with clinic. The clinic hopes to decrease emergency room visits with increased access to primary care.

CEO Update

Begnaud noted that Old Federal Courthouse will mobilize construction starting December 7, 2019. Begnaud noted that there will be a groundbreaking for the Old Federal Courthouse after the new administration is in place in January. Begnaud noted that the EDD vote will be on December 17th. Begnaud noted that she is in conversation with Danielle Breaux, Charles Landry, and various council members. Discussion on the EDD continued. Begnaud noted dates of upcoming meetings and events. Begnaud noted that she is beginning the hiring process for Director of Development following board approval of the budget. Begnaud noted the importance of this person serving as a liaison with the Department of Development and Planning, Public Works, and Lafayette City Council.

Reports/Updates

Operations - Begnaud noted that Hunter Hebert is busy closing out façade improvement projects before the end of the year. Begnaud also noted that staff is beginning to plan projects for 2020.

Business Development - Mellington introduced Emily Shute with LEDA. Mellington noted that Shute will eventually transition into the DDA liaison position. Mellington noted the success of the Innovate South conference.

Councilman Update - Conque noted that he plans to continue to be involved in the community. The board and staff thanked Conque for his service.

PD Security Update – None

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned.