

PROCEEDINGS OF THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TAKEN AT A SPECIAL MEETING ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2024, at 7:45 AM.

Those present: Scott Chappuis, Denice Skinner, Gregory Walls, Miles Matt, and Marie Centanni

Those absent: Nathanael Johnson and Jaci Russo

DDA staff present: Kevin Blanchard, Rachel Holland and Amy Trahan

The meeting was called to order by Matt.

Public comment process is attached to the end of the agenda for individuals wishing to address the Board on agenda items. Request to speak must be submitted prior to the discussion of the item. Individuals are allowed three minutes for comments.

Administrative Approvals/Reports

November Financials were presented for approval. Skinner motioned to approve as presented, Chappuis seconded, all voted in favor.

December Financials were presented for approval. Centanni motioned to approve as presented, Skinner seconded, all voted in favor.

January Regular Meeting Minutes were presented for approval. motioned to approve as presented, seconded, all voted in favor.

January Special Meeting Minutes were presented for approval. motioned to approve as presented, seconded, all voted in favor.

CUP: 522 Jefferson

Holland noted that 522 Jefferson is seeking a conditional use permit for a speakwasy bar concept with a capacity of 49. Holland further noted that they will be allowing age 21 and older admittance.

Walls motioned to recommend 522 Jefferson for a CUP permit, Chappuis seconded, all voted in favor.

Resolutions

Skinner motioned to approve a Resolution of the Board of Directors authorizing the negotiation of cooperative endeavor agreement on behalf of the Downtown Development Authority with the Downtown Lafayette Economic Development District to reimburse up to \$167,000 for Lee Avenue Streetscape match with State of Louisiana, Centanni seconded, all voted in favor.

Centanni motioned to approve a Resolution of the Board of Directors authorizing negotiation of cooperative endeavor agreement on behalf of the Downtown Development Authority with Downtown Lafayette Economic Development District to reimburse up to \$20,000 for Railroad Area Redevelopment planning match with LPTFA, Skinner seconded, all voted in favor.

Centanni motioned to approve a Resolution of the Board of Directors authorizing negotiation of cooperative endeavor agreement on behalf of the Downtown Development Authority with Downtown Lafayette Economic Development District to reimburse up to \$25,000 for planning and design services associated with landscaping along Jefferson Street, Chappuis seconded, all voted in favor.

Centanni motioned to approve a Resolution of the Board of Directors authorizing negotiation of cooperative endeavor agreement on behalf of the Downtown Development Authority with Downtown Lafayette Economic Development District to reimburse up to \$25,000 for planning and design services associated with public plaza along Parc Sans Souci, Skinner seconded, all voted in favor.

Centanni motioned to approve a Resolution of the Board of Directors authorizing negotiation of cooperative endeavor agreement on behalf of the Downtown Development Authority with Downtown Lafayette Economic Development District to fund \$200,000 for the planning, design, and installation of Public Space Fundamentals: including streetscape elements, gateway features, lighting, pedestrian safety features, landscaping, hardscaping, planters, bollards, drinking fountains, trash receptacles, street furniture, and public art, Skinner seconded, all voted in favor.

Chappuis motioned to approve Resolution of the Board of Directors revising the Vehicle Allowance Policy, Skinner seconded, all voted in favor. Blanchard noted that his vehicle is a Ford Bronco.

Updates

DLU - Hauerwas noted that the Parc Sans Souci Playground is expecting a March 15 completion date. Hauerwas also noted that tickets are on sale for the Mayor-President Breakfast with newly elected Mayor-President Boulet. Hauerwas further noted that tickets are on sale for the Annual Crawfish Boil fundraiser.

One Acadiana – Breaux noted that a winner has been selected in the Small Business Challenge and an announcement will be made an upcoming press conference. Breaux further noted that the Leadership Exchange trip to Grand Rapides, MI will take place September 18 through 20.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Other Business

There was no further business, and the meeting was adjourned.



LAFAYETTE CENTRE DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MAKING ITS
RECOMMENDATION
TO LAFAYETTE CONSOLIDATED GOVERNMENT ON THE CONDITIONAL USE
PERMIT APPLICATION FOR 522 JEFFERSON STREET
FEBRUARY 15, 2024**

WHEREAS, the Lafayette Centre Development District d/b/a Downtown Development Authority (“DDA”), a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana, has the mission to foster and support the physical, economic, and cultural revitalization and growth of Downtown Lafayette and to encourage and implement various means and plans to facilitate the foregoing objectives; and

WHEREAS, the DDA staff and Board of Directors have reviewed the application for a conditional use permit at 522 Jefferson Street.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the DDA hereby recommends that conditional use permit be granted with the following conditions:

- the minimum age of admission be 21 years old
- the facility is operated in a manner that remains substantially similar to the concept as described in the application
- the capacity of the building be limited to 49 occupants, as stated in the application

The foregoing resolution was read in full, was duly motioned and seconded, the roll was called and the Resolution passed upon the following votes:

YEAS: Greg Walls, Miles Matt, Marie Centanni, Denice Skinner, Scott Chappuis

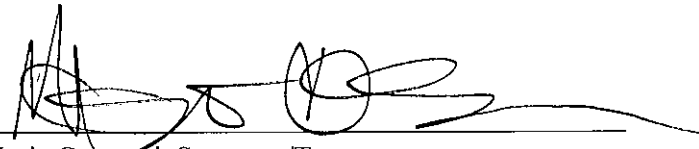
NAYS: none

ABSTAIN: none

CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact copy of the Resolution adopted at a meeting of a quorum of the DDA board held on February 15, 2024.

Lafayette, Louisiana, this 15th day of February, 2024.

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Marie Centanni, Secretary/Treasurer

Lafayette Centre Development District d/b/a Downtown Development Authority



LAFAYETTE CENTRE DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

RESOLUTION EDD FUNDING FOR THE PLANNING, DESIGN, AND INSTALLATION OF DOWNTOWN PUBLIC SPACE FUNDAMENTAL IMPROVEMENTS FEBRUARY 15, 2024

WHEREAS, the Lafayette Centre Development District d/b/a Downtown Development Authority (“DDA”), a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana, has the mission to foster and support the physical, economic, and cultural revitalization and growth of Downtown Lafayette and to encourage and implement various means and plans to facilitate the foregoing objectives; and

WHEREAS, the Downtown Lafayette Economic Development District (the “District”) was created to fund economic development projects that benefit the District; and

WHEREAS, the streets of Downtown Lafayette attract and accommodate thousands of visitors every week; and

WHEREAS, certain public space infrastructure items—which include items like trash cans, sidewalk benches, and informational kiosks—are fundamentals of urban planning and design that contribute to the livability, sustainability, and economic vitality of the downtown area; and

WHEREAS, these items are in constant need of replacement and upgrade; and

WHEREAS, in order to better serve the Downtown business community and aid in economic development for Downtown Lafayette, the DDA is embarking on a plan to upgrade certain public space infrastructure over the coming years; and

WHEREAS, the DDA Board of Directors is requesting that the District fund public space fundamental improvements in the amount of \$200,000, with the projects to be planned, coordinated, and managed by the DDA, through the terms of a cooperative endeavor agreement between the DDA and the District.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the DDA hereby authorizes its CEO to make an application to the District to secure funding for public space fundamentals, which shall include items such as: streetscape elements, gateway features, lighting, pedestrian safety features, landscaping, hardscaping, planters, bollards, drinking fountains, trash receptacles, street furniture, and public art.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the CEO are authorized to draft and negotiate all necessary agreements with the District on behalf of the DDA, and to bring those agreements back to the DDA Board of Directors for final approval.

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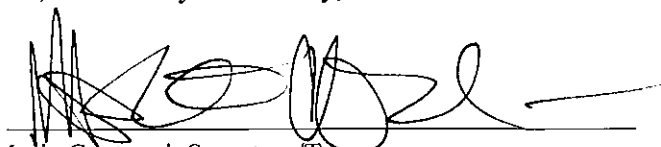
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LAFAYETTE CENTRE DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

RESOLUTION EDD FUNDING FOR JEFFERSON STREET LANDSCAPING DESIGN FEBRUARY 15, 2024

WHEREAS, the Lafayette Centre Development District d/b/a Downtown Development Authority (“DDA”), a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana, has the mission to foster and support the physical, economic, and cultural revitalization and growth of Downtown Lafayette and to encourage and implement various means and plans to facilitate the foregoing objectives; and

WHEREAS, the Downtown Lafayette Economic Development District (the “District”) was created to fund economic development projects that benefit the District; and

WHEREAS, the DDA has budgeted \$50,000 for design services related to downtown infrastructure improvements, \$25,000 of which is slated to fund design services related to landscaping upgrades to the Jefferson Street streetscape; and

WHEREAS, this design is expected to result in more native species, easier maintenance, and an upgraded appearance for Jefferson Street; and

WHEREAS, the DDA Board of Directors is requesting that the District reimburse the DDA up to \$25,000 for Jefferson Street landscaping design services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the DDA hereby authorizes its CEO to make an application to the District to secure reimbursement as described in the above whereas clauses.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the CEO are authorized to draft and negotiate all necessary reimbursement agreements with the District on behalf of the DDA, and to bring those reimbursement agreements back to the DDA Board of Directors for final approval.

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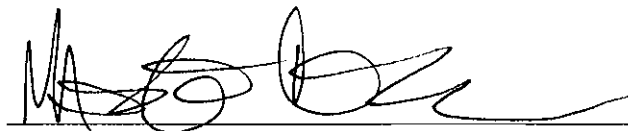
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LAFAYETTE CENTRE DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

RESOLUTION EDD FUNDING FOR LEE AVENUE MATCH FEBRUARY 15, 2024

WHEREAS, the Lafayette Centre Development District d/b/a Downtown Development Authority (“DDA”), a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana, has the mission to foster and support the physical, economic, and cultural revitalization and growth of Downtown Lafayette and to encourage and implement various means and plans to facilitate the foregoing objectives; and

WHEREAS, the Downtown Lafayette Economic Development District (the “District”) was created to fund economic development projects that benefit the District; and

WHEREAS, the DDA has been successful in securing \$500,000 in State Capital Outlay funds for improvements to Lee Avenue; and

WHEREAS, the DDA Board of Directors is requesting that the District reimburse the DDA up to \$166,667, which is the required match for the State Capital Outlay funding.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the DDA hereby authorizes its CEO to make application to the District to secure reimbursement as described in the above whereas clauses.

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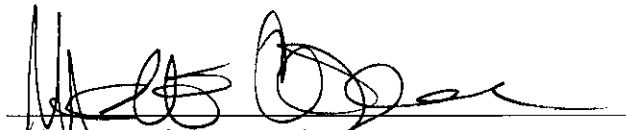
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LAFAYETTE CENTRE DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

RESOLUTION EDD FUNDING FOR PARC SANS SOUCI AREA PLAZA DESIGN FEBRUARY 15, 2024

WHEREAS, the Lafayette Centre Development District d/b/a Downtown Development Authority (“DDA”), a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana, has the mission to foster and support the physical, economic, and cultural revitalization and growth of Downtown Lafayette and to encourage and implement various means and plans to facilitate the foregoing objectives; and

WHEREAS, the Downtown Lafayette Economic Development District (the “District”) was created to fund economic development projects that benefit the District; and

WHEREAS, the DDA has budgeted \$50,000 for design services related to downtown infrastructure improvements, \$25,000 of which is slated to fund design services related to the creation of a pedestrian plaza in the Parc Sans Souci area; and

WHEREAS, the design and ultimate construction of a pedestrian plaza is expected to connect Parc Sans Souci to the surrounding commercial areas in a manner that is safe, aesthetically pleasing, and that helps drive economic development around the park; and

WHEREAS, the DDA Board of Directors is requesting that the District reimburse the DDA up to \$25,000 for Parc Sans Souci area plaza design services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the DDA hereby authorizes its CEO to make an application to the District to secure reimbursement as described in the above whereas clauses.

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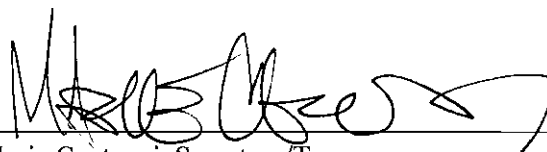
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LAFAYETTE CENTRE DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

RESOLUTION EDD FUNDING FOR RAILROAD AREA PLANNING MATCH FEBRUARY 15, 2024

WHEREAS, the Lafayette Centre Development District d/b/a Downtown Development Authority (“DDA”), a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana, has the mission to foster and support the physical, economic, and cultural revitalization and growth of Downtown Lafayette and to encourage and implement various means and plans to facilitate the foregoing objectives; and

WHEREAS, the Downtown Lafayette Economic Development District (the “District”) was created to fund economic development projects that benefit the District; and

WHEREAS, the DDA has budgeted \$20,000 to participate in a master planning effort for the railroad area in and around the historic Coburn’s building site; and

WHEREAS, this planning effort is being organized in conjunction with the Lafayette Public Trust Financing Authority; and

WHEREAS, the potential economic impact of this effort is substantial; and

WHEREAS, the DDA Board of Directors is requesting that the District reimburse the DDA up to \$20,000 for the DDA share of the railroad area planning effort.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the DDA hereby authorizes its CEO to make application to the District to secure reimbursement as described in the above whereas clauses.

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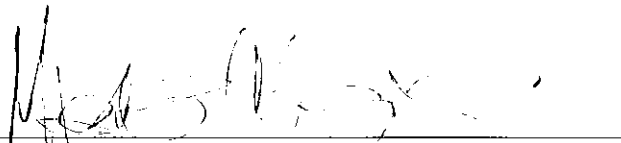
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LAFAYETTE CENTRE DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT

RESOLUTION AMENDED AND RE-ADOPTING A VEHICLE ALLOWANCE POLICY FEBRUARY 15, 2024

WHEREAS, the Lafayette Centre Development District d/b/a Downtown Development Authority (“DDA”), a political subdivision of the State of Louisiana, has the mission to foster and support the physical, economic, and cultural revitalization and growth of Downtown Lafayette and to encourage and implement various means and plans to facilitate the foregoing objectives; and

WHEREAS, the DDA Board of Directors has previously adopted a Vehicle Allowance Policy and is desirous of making amendments to that policy, the amended copy of which is attached to this Resolution as an exhibit.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Directors of the DDA hereby adopts the Vehicle Allowance Policy that is attached to this Resolution as an exhibit.

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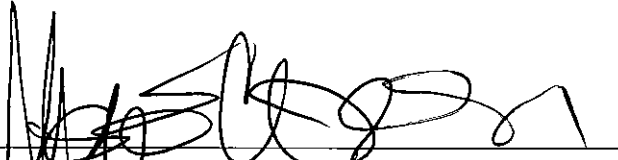
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