# DOWNTOWN MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

# Board of Directors Meeting Jon Law, President

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The El Paso Downtown Management District Board of Directors meeting will be held Thursday, August 23, 2018 at 11:30 a.m. at the United Bank Building Conference Room of the United Bank Building, 401 E. Main Dr., El Paso, Texas

#### **AGENDA:**

1. Call meeting to order.

# NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

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# **REGULAR AGENDA**

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  - b. WestStar Money Market Accounts balance, rate and status
- 8. Presentation, Discussion and Action on Approval of 2018-2019 Downtown Management District Budget.
- Discussion and Action to Approve Adoption of the Tax Assessment Rate of \$.12 per \$100 in valuation for FY 2018-2019.
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  - a. Grant Programs Status/Fund Balance Report
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- 14. Committee Report: Marketing Committee Chair Edie Zuvanich
  - a. Current & Upcoming DTEP Promotions
  - b. Social Media & INSIDER Distribution List
  - c. DMD in the News
- 15. Presentation, Discussion and Approval of the Start Up Downtown Initiative to promote investment, entrepreneurship and opportunity within Downtown El Paso.
- 16. President's Report
  - a. Executive Director's Annual Performance Review
  - b. Board Member Nominations
- 17. Discussion and Action on Approval of recommendations to City Council to fill upcoming vacancies on the Downtown Management District Board of Directors as follows:

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Place 5	Steve Ortega	2017		1 August 2021		
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Place 7 Eric Pearson 2015 3 August 2021

All the above persons recommended are qualified to serve on the Board in accordance with the qualifications established by Chapter 375 as follows: are at least 18 years old, and are connected within the District as either (1) a resident, (2) owner of property, (3) owner of stock on property, as an individual or in a corporate capacity, (4) owner of a beneficial interest in a trust that owns property, or (5) be an agent, employee or tenant of the owners listed in categories 2, 3 and 4. And further, all of the above persons have experience in at least one of the following statutorily mandated areas: (1) energy matters, (2) commercial banking, (3) real estate development, (4) finance and insurance matters, (5) matters relating to retail or the provision of services, (6) provision of utilities, or (7) general issues the district will address.

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  - a. Current/Upcoming Projects and Events
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- 22. Open Discussion of topics relevant to Downtown El Paso (no action)
- 23. Discussion of the Next Board Meeting September 27, 2018 (no action)
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- None Anticipated

# 26. Adjourn

Posted this 20st day of August, 2018, at the El Paso County Courthouse, 500 E. San Antonio, El Paso, Texas; El Paso City Hall, 300 N. Campbell, and at the administrative office of the El Paso Downtown Management District, 201 E. Main, Suite 107, El Paso, Texas, pursuant to instructions of Jon Law, Vice President of the El Paso Downtown Management District.

BY: Teresa Mais

<sup>\*</sup> Open comment is an opportunity for members of the public to address the Board regarding items to be discussed at the meeting or any other issue of interest related to the DMD. Items that are brought up by the public but which are not posted for discussion or action may not be discussed among the Board members or acted upon by the Board, except for limited questions related directly to the topic or a discussion whether to post the public raised item on a future agenda. The Chair may limit the amount of time for public comment and/or allow additional public comment for each item.

#### EL PASO DOWNTOWN MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

# Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors – August 23, 2018 Location: United Bank, 401 E. Main Drive, 1st Floor Conference Room, El Paso, Texas

Attendees:	Total Members:	20	Quorum: 11 needed				
<b>Total Members Present:</b>	15						
Bill Burton	Martin Morgades	Laura Pople	Brad Taylor				
Arlene Carroll	Madhi Nair	Monty Rogers	Sam Legate				
Jamie Gallagher	Steve Ortega	Y.I. Santoscoy	Peter Spier				
Mike McQueen	Eric Pearson	Wanye Soza	•				
Total Members Not Present: 5							
Benjamin Gonzalez	Alejo Restrepo	Edie Zuvanich					
Jon Law	Ruben Torres						

Ex-Officio Members: Rep. Lina Ortega – Office of State Representative Lina Ortega

Staff: Joe Gudenrath; Frank Hernandez; Teresa Mais; Rudy Vasquez

Guests: Bob Blumenfeld, Paola Gallegos and Elizabeth Triggs—Economic Development of the City of

El Paso, Alberto Halpern—Office of Commissioner David C. Stout, Xotchitl Rodriguez—Office of State Representative Lina Ortega, Richard Adams-Environmental Services of the City

of El Paso

# 1. Call meeting to order

Martin Morgades called the meeting to order at 11:36 a.m. on August 23, 2018 at United Bank, 401 E. Main Drive, 1st Floor Conference Room, El Paso, Texas. Notice of the DMD Board of Directors Meeting Agenda was posted at the El Paso County Courthouse, El Paso City Hall, and at the administrative office of the El Paso Downtown Management District, and on the downtownelpaso.com webpage by Teresa Mais on August 20, 2018 in accordance with the Texas Open Meeting Act on the dates indicated.

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Law stated the items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine. Law requested a Motion and Second to approve the Consent Agenda.

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Discussion:

None

Moved:

Jamie Gallagher

Seconded:

Mike McQueen

**Roll-Call Vote:** 

For: 11; Against: 0; Abstaining: 0; Absent: 4 (Arlene Carroll, Sam Legate, Madhi Nair,

Y.I. Santoscoy)

Motion Approved.

#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

## 6. Committee Report: Finance Committee

a. Monthly Financial Summary

Laura Pople provided an overview of the DMD's current financial position.

## 7. Report on DMD Investments:

- a. TexPool Accounts—balance, rate and status
- b. WestStar Money Market Accounts—balance rate, and status

Pople provided a brief overview of the DMD's current investments.

# 8. Presentation, Discussion and Action on Approval of 2018-2019 Downtown Management District Budget.

Gudenrath provided an overview of the proposed budget.

# 9. Discussion and Action to Approve Adoption of the Tax Assessment Rate of \$.12 per \$100 in valuation for FY 2018-2019.

Items #8 and #9 were considered together with no objection.

Discussion:

None

Moved:

Arlene Carroll

Seconded:

Jamie Gallagher

**Roll-Call Vote:** 

For: 15; Against: 0; Abstaining: 0; Absent: 0

Motion Approved.

# 10. Committee Report: Grant Programs Update

a. Grant Programs Status/Fund Balance Report

Peter Spier gave a brief overview of the status and fund balance of the Grant Program. Ten projects are currently in various stages of progress. Three of them are currently under extension and one under review.

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Discussion:

Legate asked if the applicant had received Façade Grant funds previously. Staff

confirmed they had and are eligible for the Iconic Signage & Lighting Program as well.

Moved:

Sam Legate

Seconded:

Y.I. Santoscoy

Roll-Call Vote:

For: 15; Against: 0; Abstaining: 0; Absent: 0

Motion Approved.

# 12. Committee Report: Infrastructure & Advocacy Committee

a. Paseo de Las Luces Project Outreach & Update

Mike McQueen gave a brief overview about the Paseo de Las Luces Project. Gudenrath informed the Board about an upcoming community meeting and how the DMD is working with the City's Economic Development department and other organizations to communicate to business owners on ways for them to capitalize on this opportunity.

b. City of El Paso Noise Ordinance

McQueen informed the Board about the City's proposed Noise Ordinance and the DMD's position requesting the Downtown be exempt from the Ordinance changes.

# 13. Discussion and Action to approve the DMD Position Statement regarding changes to the City of El Paso's Noise Ordinance and other legislation that will impact the ongoing development of the downtown as a mixed- use urban neighborhood.

Discussion:

Pearson suggested an event exemption be considered. Legate commented that the DMD

should oppose the proposed Noise Ordinance strongly.

Moved:

Eric Pearson

Seconded:

Wayne Soza

**Roll-Call Vote:** 

For: 14; Against: 0; Abstaining: 1 (Peter Spier); Absent: 0

Motion Approved.

# 14. Committee Report: Marketing Committee

a. Current & Upcoming DTEP Promotions

Gudenrath informed the Board that the DMD completed two surveys which included the Downtown Employee Survey and the Annual Downtown Survey. He stated that the Segundo Barrio Backpack Drive was completed and thanked those who contributed. He gave a brief update about the events coming up including the Start Up Downtown event, the EAT Authentico Restaurant Crawl and Running of the Bulls.

b. Social Media & INSIDER Distribution List
Gudenrath gave an update about social media and the weekly newsletter.

c. DMD in the News

Gudenrath gave a brief overview about what, when, and where the DMD was mentioned in the news in the month of May.

# 15. Presentation, Discussion and Approval of the Start Up Downtown Initiative to promote investment, entrepreneurship and opportunity within Downtown El Paso.

Discussion:

None

Moved:

Eric Pearson

Seconded:

Wayne Soza

Roll-Call Vote:

For: 15; Against: 0; Abstaining: 0; Absent: 0

Motion Approved.

# 16. President's Report

a. Executive Director's Annual Performance Review

Martin Morgades informed the Board that it is time for the Board to perform its annual review of the Executive Director. He stated that he will be leading this process as Board Vice President and stated that they will distribute an online survey following the meeting. He informed the Board that at next month's meeting they will go into Executive Session to present the results of that survey and Gudenrath's self-evaluation. The Board will finalize the process at that meeting with a public vote.

# b. Board Member Nominations

Morgades informed the Board that Items #17 & #18 are nominations by the Executive Committee for service on the Board.

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Discussion: None

Moved: Jamie Gallagher Seconded: Y.I. Santoscoy

Roll-Call Vote: For: 13; Against: 0; Abstaining: 2 (Steve Ortega, Eric Pearson); Absent: 0

Motion Approved.

## 19. Executive Director's Report

a. TIRZ No. 5 Update

Gudenrath informed the Board that the TIRZ has not held a meeting, but the project committee did meet about the extension of the Paseo de las Luces project. No action was taken.

# b. DMD Annual Survey Presentation & Discussion

Gudenrath gave a presentation about the results of the DMD Annual Survey. He stated that he plans to share these results at City Council. Eric Pearson commented that the Plaza Classic Film Festival sells as many tickets as the Lion King sold.

# c. IDA Emerging Leaders Presentation & Discussion

Gudenrath thanked the Board for their support for him to attend the IDA Emerging Leaders Program in New York City and he gave a brief presentation about what he learned during the program.

## 20. Construction & Event Update

a. Current/Upcoming Projects and Events

Frank Hernandez gave an overview and updates of upcoming construction, projects and events including the Paseo de las Luces project, the Plaza Hotel construction and the El Paso Streetcar.

#### 21. Economic Development Update by City of El Paso

Elizabeth Triggs gave a presentation about the P3 project, a public/private partnership by the City of El Paso. The development will provide Downtown with apartment units, hotel units, retail space, and parking.

## 22. Open Discussion of topics relevant to Downtown El Paso

None

#### 23. Discussion of the Next Board Meeting—September 27, 2018.

No action

# 24. Open Comment Period

No action

# 25. Executive Session

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# 26. Adjourn

By consensus of the Board the meeting adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

Submitted by:

Mike McOleen, Secretary DMD Board of Directors Date: Spt 21, 20 18