

# 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, February 28, 2019 at 8:30 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.

- 2. Downtown Management District Strategic Planning Session to identify organizational priorities.
  - a. Welcome/Purpose & 2019 Look-Ahead
  - b. Expectations/Introductions
  - c. Review Accomplishments from 2016-2018 Strategic Plan
  - d. 4 Phases of this Strategic Planning Process
  - e. Analysis of Results from Prioritization Survey
  - f. Start/Stop/Continue Exercise
  - g. 2019-2021 Goal Development

## **NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC**

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## **CONSENT AGENDA**

- 3. Approval of Minutes:
  - a. January 24, 2019 Board of Directors Meeting
- 4. Recognition of donations, contributions and sponsorships to the El Paso Downtown Management District:
  - a. Kemp Smith LLP \$1,000 sponsorship of 2019 Downtown Power Hour Luncheon series.
  - b. International \$300 participating sponsorship of 2019 Downtown Barstool Open.
  - c. Hotel Indigo/Circa 1963 \$600 participating and award ceremony sponsorships of 2019 Downtown Barstool Open.
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  - j. Craft & Social \$300 participating sponsorship of 2019 Downtown Barstool Open.
  - k. Topgolf \$1,000 sponsorship of 2019 Downtown Barstool Open.
  - 1. Glazer's Beer & Beverage \$1,500 sponsorship of 2019 Downtown Barstool Open.

# **REGULAR AGENDA**

- 5. Committee Report: Finance Committee Chair Laura Pople
  - a. Monthly Financial Summary
- 6. Report on DMD Investments:
  - a. TexPool Accounts balance, rate and status
  - b. WestStar Money Market Accounts balance, rate and status
- 7. Discussion and Action for Approval of a Reimbursement Grant Agreement for the Downtown Commercial Façade Improvement Grant Program
  - a. That the Executive Director be authorized to sign a Reimbursement Grant Agreement for the Downtown Commercial Façade Improvement Grant Program for property located at 324 E. San Antonio Avenue (FAC 18-02) in the amount of \$25,000.00 with said project to be completed in accordance with the execution of the Agreement.
- 8. President's Report
- 9. Executive Director's Report
  - a. TIRZ No. 5 Update
  - b. IDA Conference Report
- 10. Open Discussion of topics relevant to Downtown El Paso (no action)
- 11. Discussion of the Next Board Meeting March 29, 2019 at 8:30 a.m. (no action)
- 12. Open Comment Period\* (no action)
- 13. Executive Session

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- None

# 14. Adjourn

\* 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.

Posted this 25<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2019, 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

#### EL PASO DOWNTOWN MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

# Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors – February 28, 2019 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>	17		<del></del>
Bill Burton	Sam Legate	Steve Ortega	Y.I. Santoscoy
Arlene Carroll	Ben Marcus	Laura Pople	Peter Spier
Jamie Gallagher	Mike McQueen	Alejo Restrepo	Brad Taylor
Jon Law	Martin Morgades	Monty Rogers	Ruben Torres
Edie Zuvanich	•		

Total Members *Not* Present: 3

Pacelli Mesta Eric Pearson Wayne Soza

**Ex-Officio Members:** Tommy Gonzalez—City Manager of the City of El Paso; Representative Cissy Lizarraga—El

Paso City Council

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

Guests: Bob Blumenfeld, Attorney; Paola Gallegos—City of El Paso Economic Development

Department; Alberto Halpern —Office of Commissioner David C. Stout; Alysia Cook—Opportunities Strategies, Cary Westin—Deputy City Manager of the City of El Paso

### 1. Call meeting to order

Jon Law called the meeting to order at 8:42 am on February 28, 2019 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 February 22, 2019 in accordance with the Texas Open Meeting Act on the dates indicated.

- 2. Downtown Management District Strategic Planning Session to identify organizational priorities.

  Law welcomed everybody and introduced Alysia Cook of Opportunities Strategies. Cook engaged with those present as part of a strategic planning effort to build consensus around priority goals. Cook covered the following areas:
  - a. Welcome/Purpose & 2019 Look-Ahead
  - b. Expectations/Introductions
  - c. Review Accomplishments from 2016-2018 Strategic Plan
  - d. 4 Phases of this Strategic Planning Process
  - e. Analysis of Results from Prioritization Survey
  - f. Start/Stop/Continue Exercise
  - g. 2019-2021 Goal Development

Consensus was developed along the following goal areas:

- Formal Integration
  - -Services Agreement with City
  - -Other partners
- Residential Development in Downtown
- Downtown Vision/Action Plan/Identity/District Boundaries
- Aesthetics and Connectivity (Built Environment)
  - -Alley corridor
  - -Consider adding to façade language
  - -Walkability

- -Functionality during construction
- Business Retention & Expansion Program & Business Development
  - -Retail and small businesses
  - -Partner development
- Advocacy
  - -Serving as advocates for downtown business
  - -Sharing valuable information
  - -Morning ridership on trolley
  - -Other transportation needs

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#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Martin Morgades 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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January 24, 2019 Board of Directors Meeting

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Discussion:

None

Moved: Seconded: Mike McQueen Y.I. Santoscoy

**Roll-Call Vote:** 

For: 13; Against: 0; Abstaining: 0; Absent: 4 (Jamie Gallagher, Jon Law, Sam Legate,

Ruben Torres)

Motion Approved.

#### **REGULAR AGENDA**

#### 5. Committee Report: Finance Committee

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

#### 6. 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.

# 7. <u>Discussion and Action for Approval of a Reimbursement Grant Agreement for the Downtown Commercial</u> Façade Improvement Grant Program

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Discussion:

None

Moved:

Arlene Carroll

Seconded:

Y.I. Santoscoy

Roll-Call Vote:

For: 13; Against: 0; Abstaining: 0; Absent: 4 (Jamie Gallagher, Jon Law, Sam Legate,

Ruben Torres)

Motion Approved.

#### 8. President's Report

None

# 9. Executive Director's Report

a. TIRZ No. 5 Update

Gudenrath informed the Board there has not been a meeting for the TIRZ. He added that the City notified the DMD that they are updating the board's membership to comply with the state law governing TIRZ districts which indicates that any tax entity being represented by a Board member on the TIRZ must be a contributing tax entity in the TIRZ district. If it is not a contributing tax entity, it will no longer have a space on the TIRZ. As a result, the DMD's current TIRZ Board Member, Ruben Torres, will no longer be on the Board.

#### b. IDA Conference Report

Gudenrath, Analissa Carreon, Arlene Carroll, Pople, and Paola Gallegos each gave a brief overview about what they learned at the IDA Conference and would they would like to see implemented in El Paso.

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

Cook invited the DMD to the Texas Downtown Annual Conference.

# 11. Discussion of the Next Board Meeting-March 29, 2019

None

#### 12. Open Comment Period

None

#### 13. Executive Session

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# 14. Adjourn

By consensus of the Board the meeting adjourned at 12:44 pm.

Submitted by:

Jamie Gallagher, Secretary DMD Board of Directors Date: Mach 13, 2019