

LOCUST CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT

Minutes of the Meeting of August 8, 2018

Board of Commissioners Present:

Michael Beckermann
Bryan Hahlbeck (via telephone)
John Hayden
Jared Opsal
James Pendegraft
Jennifer Pruehsner

Others Present:

Bob Wood
Gery Kotthoff
Kim Sjerven
Joy Christensen
Alisha Robinson
William Zorn

The regular meeting of the Locust Central Business District ("LBD") was duly noticed and held on Wednesday, August 8, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. at the Locust Business District Office located at 3150 Locust Street, Suite 200, St. Louis, Missouri 63103.

A quorum of the Board of Commissioners being present, the meeting was called to order by Mr. Opsal at 5:30 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Opsal called for consideration of the minutes of the July 11, 2018 regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners which were previously sent to the Commissioners and copies of which were provided to each Commissioner at the meeting.

Motion 08-18-01. Upon motion of Mr. Pendegraft, seconded by Mr. Beckermann, the Board approved the minutes of the July 11, 2018 regular meeting with Commissioners Beckermann, Hahlbeck, Hayden, Opsal, Pendegraft and Pruehsner voting in favor.

Mr. Opsal called for consideration of the minutes of the July 16, 2018 special meeting of the Board of Commissioners which were previously sent to the Commissioners and copies of which were provided to each Commissioner at the meeting.

Motion 08-18-02. Upon motion of Mr. Hayden, seconded by Ms. Pruehsner, the Board approved the minutes of the July 16, 2018 special meeting with Commissioners Hahlbeck, Hayden, Opsal, and Pruehsner voting in favor and with Commissioners Beckermann and Pendegraft abstaining due to not being present at the July 16, 2018 meeting.

Treasurer's Report

Mr. Pendegraft provided the financials, including the balance sheet, profit and loss statements, and a summary of the transactions in the LBD operating account to the Commissioners. In June there were thirty-five (35) debits totaling approximately \$35,000 and two (2) deposits totaling \$280. The cash on hand totals approximately \$285,000. He indicated that he is still cleaning up the books and provided additional detail on the various expenses including office, parking lot, landscaping, parking lot gate repair, and litigation expenses.

Mr. Pendegraft then discussed the proposed moving of accounts from PNC to Jefferson National Bank & Trust. He indicated that he banks at Jefferson National, provided some detail on their online banking services, and indicated that they may waive some fees for the LBD. Discussion ensued.

Motion 08-18-03. Upon motion of Mr. Pendegraft, seconded by Mr. Hayden, the Board approved transferring the LBD's operating and money market accounts to Jefferson National Bank & Trust from PNC Bank with Commissioners Beckermann, Hahlbeck, Hayden, Opsal, Pendegraft and Pruehsner voting in favor.

Committee Reports

Mr. Opsal called for the Committee Reports.

Communications

Mr. Gery Kotthoff from Clarion Marketing provided a written Project Status Summary to the Board and he reviewed the priority marketing projects Clarion has identified and an outline of next steps to get on the same page with the Board.

Security

Mr. Beckermann indicated that there is a broken camera at Washington and Jefferson in the Real Time Crime Center system in the LBD. A discussion of insurance, the City being self-insured and the cost of replacement equipment ensued.

Motion 08-18-04. Upon motion of Mr. Pendegraft, seconded by Ms. Pruehsner, the Board approved spending up to \$9,000 to replace the broken camera at Washington and Jefferson with Commissioners Beckermann, Hahlbeck, Hayden, Opsal, Pendegraft and Pruehsner voting in favor.

Mr. Beckermann indicated that the license plate readers (LPRs) have led to 21 arrests with 48 related charges being brought.

LBD Utilities

Mr. Pendegraft indicated he would like to save on office expenses by cancelling the Charter Communications telephone and internet services and by utilizing the LBD wireless phone for phone services and as an internet hotspot for the LBD computer. There would be a one-time expense of \$30 to purchase a USB Wi-Fi network adaptor

for the computer. Discussion ensued regarding the proposed changes and removal of the LBD landline.

Motion 08-18-05. Upon motion of Mr. Pendegraft, seconded by Ms. Pruehsner, the Board approved terminating the Charter Communications services and approved purchasing a USB Wi-Fi network adaptor for the computer to provide internet access for the computer with Commissioners Beckermann, Hahlbeck, Hayden, Opsal, Pendegraft and Pruehsner voting in favor.

LBD Office Location

Mr. Hayden indicated that he located free LBD meeting locations but has not yet to identify a no cost office location for the LBD. He indicated he will continue to search and will report back to the Board.

New Business

Mr. Opsal indicated that there are some dead shrubs adjacent to the LBD parking lot which need addressing.

Mr. Pendegraft indicated he will re-share with the Commissioners the questions from last year's survey about the LBD budget in anticipation of sending out another survey regarding same this year.

There being no additional business to discuss, Mr. Opsal called for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Hayden moved to adjourn, Ms. Pruehsner seconded the motion and the Commissioners unanimously approved adjournment of the meeting at 6:54 pm.


Secretary, Board of Commissioners