# LOCUST CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT Minutes of the Meeting of July 12, 2023

Board of Commissioners Present:

Michael Beckermann

Karen Drake John Hayden Nicole Lewis Ken Nuernberger Jennifer Pruehsner

Others Present:

Yulonda Carter Officer Harris Paul Henkhaus Eric Thoelke Joy Christenson Jeanette Bax-Kurtz DeAnna Murphy William Zorn

The regular meeting of the Locust Central Business District ("LBD") was duly noticed and held on Wednesday, July 12, 2023 at 4:30 p.m. via web based tele/video conference Zoom Meeting hosted from and also held in person at the Locust Business District Office located at 715 N. 21st Street, Suite A, St. Louis, Missouri 63103.

A quorum of the Board of Commissioners being present, the meeting was called to order by Mr. Hayden at 4:30 p.m.

## <u>Approval of Minutes</u>

Mr. Hayden called for consideration of the minutes of the June 14, 2023 regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners which were provided to each Commissioner prior to the meeting.

**Motion 07-23-01.** Upon motion of Mr. Nuernberger, seconded by Ms. Drake, the Board approved the minutes of the June 14, 2023 meeting with Commissioners Beckerman, Drake, Hayden, Lewis, Nuernberger, and Pruehsner voting in favor.

## Treasurer's Report

Mr. Nuernberger requested Ms. Bax-Kurtz provide the Treasurer's report. She reviewed the assets and liabilities which currently shows approximately \$682,000 of assets in the bank; she reviewed the profit and loss; she reviewed income and expenses by class, and the budget vs. actual including details on security expenses, bank charges, grant expenses, outside maintenance including the trash receptacle program, and secondary

street sweeping which has been discontinued. She also reviewed the aging summary which shows one parking lot tenant one month in arrears.

#### **Committee Reports**

#### Security

Mr. Beckermann indicated there were car break-ins, including on a city-owned parking lot at 3016 Olive to which police allegedly did not respond. He indicated that the Gold Shield Security invoices for the past two periods have been lower than previous invoices.

Officer Harris indicated he will send the crime report to the LBD office for distribution. He indicated that there were fourteen car break-ins including four at Olive and Locust, one assault on the 2100 block Lucas which was a shot fired from a stolen vehicle, and five auto thefts (which includes a failure to return a rented vehicle to Enterprise). Discussion ensued regarding incidents, police manpower generally, and Gold Shield shifts and staffing. Mr. Hayden indicated that some incidents occur when Gold Shield is not working including after 1 a.m. and that he would like shifts manned at these times. Officer Harris indicated it is difficult to fill shifts after midnight. Mr. Henkhaus indicated that raising the hourly, currently \$55 per hour, may make the after midnight shifts easier to staff and that he can meet with the Chairman next week to discuss hours. Mr. Hayden indicated that the LBD would like alerts when incidents occur. Officer Harris agreed that Gold Shield will do that.

#### New Business

Discussion ensued regarding trash receptacles and outside maintenance and areas of concern for trash overflow. Mr. Hayden indicated that more receptacles are arriving soon and that he will coordinate with Mr. Washington of New Life Landscaping on placements of the new receptacles to address increased needs in the District.

Ms. Christensen indicated a problem with rainwater drainage in the alley on the 3100 block of Locust. Ms. Murphy asked Ms. Christenson to call her to coordinate addressing the issue.

Mr. Hayden indicated that the parking lot at 22<sup>nd</sup> and Olive still has tall weeds. Ms. Murphy indicated she put in a service request regarding that parking lot. She also indicated that National Night Out registration forms are available for blocks or areas which seek to host/conduct a street party during that event.

There being no additional business to discuss, Mr. Hayden called for a motion to adjourn. Mr. Nuernberger moved to adjourn, Ms. Pruehsner seconded the motion and the Commissioners unanimously approved adjournment of the meeting at 5:42 p.m.

Secretary, Board of Commissioners