



**CITY OF FOREST PARK**  
**DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY REGULAR MEETING**

Thursday, February 23, 2023 at 5:30 PM  
Council Chambers

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**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**  
745 Forest Parkway  
Forest Park, GA 30297

## MINUTES

**Angelyne Butler**, *Chairwoman*  
**Nachae Jones**, *Vice Chairwoman*  
**Jacklyn Faith**, *Member*  
**Nancy Howard**, *Member*  
**Tre Holland**, *Member*  
**Dhaval Shah**, *Member*  
**Eric Stallings**, *Member*

### MEETING NOTICE:

Due to COVID-19, CDC requirements of Masks and Social Distancing will be adhered.

### CALL TO ORDER/WELCOME:

Chairwoman Butler called the Downtown Development Authority meeting on February 23, 2023, to order at 5:45pm.

### PRESENT:

Angelyne Butler  
Nachae Jones  
Tre Holland  
Eric Stallings

### ALSO PRESENT:

Dr. Marc-Antonie Cooper, City Manager  
Mike Williams, City Attorney  
Councilman Hector Gutierrez  
Councilwoman Kimberly James  
Bobby Jinks, Director of Public Works  
Bruce Abraham, Director of Economic Development  
Charise Clay, Economic Development Staff Assistant

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

1. Approval of January 26, 2023 Meeting Minutes

Tre Holland made a motion to approve the January 26, 2023, meeting minutes. Eric Stallings seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

**OLD BUSINESS:****NEW BUSINESS:**

2. Approval of Bond Resolution for Main Street Financing

Mike Williams led the discussion:

- The resolution is for the bond financing that was discussed in a previous meeting. He met with the bond and legal counsel from Truist bank to develop the documents needed to adopt the bond resolution. Some of the documents include a loan document from Suntrust, and an intergovernmental agreement between the city and the DDA (since the city is providing the credit for the transaction). If the council approves the IGA, bond donation proceedings will begin immediately with Clayton County Superior Court. The process is expected to take about 3 weeks.

Eric Stallings made a motion to approve the bond resolution for Main Street financing. Tre Holland seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

3. Approval of Bond Resolution for Blue Star Tax Abatement

Mike Williams led the discussion:

- Blue Star representatives asked to table this item. They are still in discussions with the bank to get approval to proceed with the abatement. A full timeline hasn't been discussed.

Nachae Jones made a motion to table. Tre Holland seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

4. Discussion of Additional Tax Abatements at Fort Gillem

Mike Williams led the discussion:

- There was the discussion at the last meeting about the prospect of further tax abatements for current and future tenants at Gillem. The ask is that the board authorize negotiations to begin through MOU with the prospects. Negotiations will be similar to those that were conducted with Blue Star. The board can review the MOU prior to the negotiations.

Nachae Jones made a motion to authorize staff to move forward with discussions on additional tax abatements at Gillem. Tre Holland seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

**Other Discussion:** The joint Economic Development retreat is planned for April 1, 2023; just 1 day instead of 3.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

(Executive Session may be called for issues concerning Personnel, Litigation or Real Estate)

Tre Holland made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:53pm. Eric Stallings seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

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