



LAWRENCEVILLE

GEORGIA

DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MINUTES

Monday, October 09, 2023
5:00 PM

Council Assembly Room
70 S. Clayton St, GA 30046

Call to Order

Chairman Merritt called the meeting to order at 5:09 pm after recognizing a quorum.

PRESENT

Board Member Victoria Jones
Board Member Joanie Perry Ward
Board Member Katrina Fellows
Board Member Chris Adams
Board Member Lee Merritt

ABSENT

Board Member Jeremy Higginbotham
Board Member Bruce Johnson

Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda made by Board Member Jones, Seconded by Board Member Fellows.

Voting Yea: Board Member Jones, Board Member Perry Ward, Board Member Fellows, Board Member Adams, Board Member Merritt

Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes

1. Approval of Special Call Meeting Minutes for September 18, 2023

Motion to add the word "Member" to the Special Call Minutes under Item 7 Open Board Position made by Board Member Merritt, Seconded by Board Member Adams.

Voting Yea: Board Member Jones, Board Member Perry Ward, Board Member Fellows, Board Member Adams, Board Member Merritt

Motion to approve the DDA Special Call Minutes from October 9, 2023 as amended made by Board Member Jones, Seconded by Board Member Perry Ward.

Voting Yea: Board Member Jones, Board Member Perry Ward, Board Member Fellows, Board Member Adams, Board Member Merritt

2. Approval of Executive Session Minutes for September 18, 2023

Motion to approve the Executive Session Minutes for October 9, 2023 on made by Board Member Jones, Seconded by Board Member Fellows.

Voting Yea: Board Member Jones, Board Member Perry Ward, Board Member Fellows, Board Member Adams, Board Member Merritt

Downtown Development Business

3. October 2023 Treasurer's Report

Board Member Fellows, Treasurer reviewed the October 2023 Treasurer's Report with the Board.

Motion to accept the October 2023 Treasurer's Report made by Board Member Perry Ward, Seconded by Board Member Adams.

Voting Yea: Board Member Jones, Board Member Perry Ward, Board Member Fellows, Board Member Adams, Board Member Merritt

4. Budget Committee

Chairman Merritt asked for volunteers to be a part of the Budget Committee to assist with preparing the 2024 budget for the Downtown Development Authority checking account. The Budget Committee will consist of Board Member Perry Ward, Board Member Fellows, and Chairman Merritt.

Mainstreet Business

ReCAST are having workshops regarding implicit bias.
Cultura is coming up on Friday, October 13th from 5- 10 pm.
The Aurora .5K is on Saturday, October 14th

Paint Gwinnett Pink will be held at Coolray Field
Gwinnett Small Business Grant up to \$15,000 is available.
Community Mural looks beautiful along Jackson Street just down from the Post Office
Real Taco is coming to Perry Street

Other Business

No Other Business

Citizen Comments

No Citizen Comments

Executive Session - Real Estate

Motion to move into Executive Session made by Board Member Merritt, Seconded by Board Member Fellows.

Voting Yea: Board Member Jones, Board Member Perry Ward, Board Member Fellows, Board Member Adams, Board Member Merritt

Motion to exit Executive Session made by Board Member Merritt, Seconded by Board Member Perry Ward.

Voting Yea: Board Member Jones, Board Member Perry Ward, Board Member Fellows, Board Member Adams, Board Member Merritt

5 Real Estate Items Discussed: 2 Votes Taken

Final Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by Board Member Jones, Seconded by Board Member Adams.

Voting Yea: Board Member Jones, Board Member Perry Ward, Board Member Fellows, Board Member Adams, Board Member Merritt

Minutes Signature

Lee Merritt, Chairman

Barry Mock, Secretary