

CID ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Council Member Tara Graves – District 1 Renee Cail – Member Cornell McBride – Member Michael McClinton – Member Council Member Rob Turner – District 2 Malaika Wells – Member Greg Wright – Member Jonathan Bartlett – Ex Officio Christopher Sanders – Ex Officio

CID ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

May 26, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Citizen Access: Stonecrest YouTube Live Channel

- I. CALL TO ORDER: Jonathan Bartlett, Economic Development Director at 6:04 pm.
- II. ROLL CALL: Jonathan Bartlett, Economic Development Director
- III. AGENDA:
 - A. Public Comments
 - 1. No public comments.
 - B. Approval of Minutes from March 30, 2022 and April 14, 2022
 - 1. Member Jonathan Bartlett opens the floor for approval of minutes.

Motion made by Member Rob Turner to approve March 30, 2022 minutes. Motion seconded by Member Tara Graves. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion made by Member Greg Wright to approve April 14, 2022 minutes. Motion seconded by Member Tara Graves. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

- C. Committee Objectives Jonathan Bartlett
 - 1. Member Jonathan Bartlett read the resolution, in order to reiterate the committee objectives and mission.
- D. Council Meeting Update Jonathan Bartlett

1. Member Jonathan Bartlett stated that the cooperation agreement was approved by City Council. He also stated that it is his intent to draft a letter of mutual agreement between the City of Stonecrest and the East Metro CID in conjunction with its Executive Director and ex-officio Member Chris Sanders, stating to the residents their intentions to work together and how businesses can get involved.

E. Election of Chair

1. Member Jonathan Bartlett opened the floor for motion to nominate Chair.

Motion made by Member Rob Turner to nominate Member Greg Wright for Chair. Motion seconded by Member Tara Graves. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

- F. Update on East Metro CID Cornell McBride & Christopher Sanders
 - 1. Member Cornell McBride advised that he has been to multiple CID meetings about safety, distribution of dollars, and beautification. He went on to state that dollars may be distributed in different areas. Member Chris Sanders added that they are also looking at stakeholder engagement as a summer objective.
 - A. Member Jonathan Bartlett asked if he would speak about how the stakeholder engagement more and how the City could be active.

 Member Chris Sanders answered that a draft survey was created and being revised at this time for distribution via newsletters, media, door to door with QR codes.
 - B. Member Malaika Wells asked for clarification on how CID funds are distributed. Member Cornell McBride answered that some areas won't see new money, however maintenance continues. Member Chris Sanders confirms that maintenance is budgeted yearly. For example, new flock cameras on Panola are a new project and median landscaping already installed will be kept up as an existing line item. Member Malaika Wells asked how stakeholder success is measured. Member Cornell McBride answered that there needs to be a plan and a vision and that is where the engagement starts. Member Chris Sanders offered that the CID must be visible and getting feedback from commercial businesses. Getting the survey feedback and cleaning up the master file are very important.
 - C. Member Renee Cail asked if stakeholder surveys have started. Member Chris Sanders answered they have not. Member Renee Cail asked if fundraising is done. Member Chris Sanders answered by law funds are provided by state, local, and grant money. Member Greg Wright asked if the CID is pursuing other avenues for funding. Member Chris Sanders answered that the CID is looking at expanding the footprint and grants from Homeland Security.
 - D. Member Greg Wright asked if the CID's footprint is too big. Member Chris Sanders answered that he will continue to work towards the success of the CID. Member Cornell McBride advised his opinion is

that it is too large, but the CID is beyond that. Member Greg Wright asked how much membership has increased in the last five years. Member Chris Sanders advised that it has not for various reasons such as Covid.

- G. Flock Camera Program Sgt. Nathan Herndon, Dekalb County PD
 - 1. Sgt. Nathan Herdon expressed the flock cameras have been an asset to the DeKalb County. Stonecrest Mall has been particularly successful with stolen vehicles and other crimes in progress. 1600 alerts per month come in from flock cameras for stolen vehicles, wanted subjects, stolen tags, and even missing persons.
 - 2. Member Jonathan Bartlett asked how many cameras are in the City of Stonecrest. Sgt. Nathan Herndon answered that he is unsure how many are in Stonecrest, however the East Precinct is home to 70 flock cameras.
 - 3. Member Rob Turner asked for the cost of each camera. Sgt. Nathan Herndon answered that individually they are about \$2500.00 /year and that cameras are being put in and at the entrances to subdivisions.
 - 4. Member Greg Wright asked if there is a written agreement that specifies what DeKalb County PD is looking for with the flock cameras. Sgt. Nathan Herndon answered there is an agreement to monitor certain things, however they are privately owned so residents in subdivisions can request to block their tags from DeKalb County PD.
 - 5. Member Jonathan Bartlett asked for arrest data from the flock cameras. Sgt. Nathan Herndon answered that there have been about 16 arrests this year. Member Jonathan Bartlett asked if this monitoring could provide info on crimes outside of Georgia. Sgt. Nathan Herndon answered that data can be shared with other agencies.
 - 6. Greg Wright asked if the cameras are placed on private property or public right-of-way. Sgt. Nathan Herndon answered the flock cameras are mounted publicly.
 - 7. Member Jonathan Bartlett asked Member Chris Sanders if had anything to add. Member Chris Sanders answered it is the intent of East Metro CID to branch out in DeKalb County and all members feel there has been a good return on investment for the flock cameras.
- H. Proposed CID Project Agreements Greg Wright
 - 1. Member Greg Wright advised that he concerned there is no agreements with making sure companies have proper workman's compensation insurance and such. Member Malaika Wells asked if there are any agreements in place like Member Greg Wright is referencing. Member Chris Sanders answered that not on a project specific basis that is similar to the one the CID has with City of Stonecrest. Member Rob Turner asked if the existing agreements have liability contingencies. Member Chris Sanders advised no, but when damage has occurred in the past, the CID incurred no liability.

2. Member Renee Cail asked if the City of Stonecrest or the CID holds liability. Member Chris Sanders answered that he would have to take the matter to the attorney for the CID.

Motion made by Member Greg Wright to send draft agreements to the City Attorney. Member Renee Cail seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion passed unanimously.

- I. Industrial and Commercial Zoning Overview Keedra Jackson
 - 1. Keedra Jackson spoke about the Planning and Zoning Department.
 - a. Boards/Committees that Planning and Zoning oversees
 - b. Land use application process
 - a. Pre-Application, Notice of Application, and committee information meetings.
 - c. Light Industrial
 - d. Heavy Industrial and permitted use
 - e. Provided minimized view of zoning map
 - 2. Goals of Planning and Zoning
 - a. Keeping industrial area north of I-20
 - b. Growth strategy
 - 3. Member Jonathan Bartlett asked for confirmation on how to get to the zoning map. Keedra Jackson provided step-by-step instruction.
 - 4. Member Greg Wright asked who is responsible for providing the buffer so industrial doesn't abut residential. Keedra Jackson answered that it is the resident's responsibility because industrial has precedence.
 - 5. Member Malaika Wells asked what the City of Stonecrest can do to notify residents when a developer has expressed interest. Keedra Jackson answered that newsletters are being circulated with data on coming projects as well as social media. Keedra Jackson went on to state that the Pre-Development Review Team have internal meetings as well but are not open to the public and review civil plans.
 - 6. Member Malaika Wells asked if there is something available to update phases of development. Keedra Jackson advised that something like that is in the works. Member Jonathan Bartlett added that the City of Stonecrest's new Director of Communications, DeAllous Smith is and asset and will be good for getting this information out to the public.
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- 2. Member Tara Graves congratulated the new Chair Greg Wright and advised that she has done a tour of the industrial area, recommending that all participate in one. She is also working with HOA's to get news out to constituents.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

1. Member Greg Wright opens the floor for motion to adjourn.

Motion made by Member Tara Graves to adjourn. Member Rob Turner seconded. All in favor. **Motion passed unanimously at 7:42 pm.**

As approved on the 22nd day of September, 2022.

CITY OF STONECREST, GEORGIA

Jazzmin Cobble, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sonya Isom, City Clerk