



Downtown Development Authority Meeting

Monday, June 22, 2026 at 6:30 PM

City Hall, 875 Main Street, Stone Mountain, Georgia 30083

Agenda

I. Call to Order

1. Attendee Name / Attendee Participation (Present, absent, late for this meeting):

Chair Carl Wright

Vice Chair Robert Witherspoon

Treasurer Sarah Hage

Board Member Bobby Singleton

Board Member Michelle Dunbar

Board Member Thom DeLoach

Board Member & Council Member Anita Bass

II. Approval of the Agenda

III. Approval of Minutes

- [1.](#) DDA Regular Meeting Minutes: February 02, 2026
- [2.](#) DDA Regular Meeting Minutes: May 26, 2026

IV. Citizen Comments

V. Director's Report

- [1.](#) DCA Report - May 2026

VI. Council Report

VII. Old Business

VIII. New Business

1. Discussion Item: Available Funding / Commercial and Enhancement Grants
- [2.](#) Discussion Item: Live Oak / Enhancement Grant Application
3. Discussion Item: DDA Bank Accounts
4. Discussion: Tourism Manager (vacant position)

IX. Executive Session to Discuss Personnel, Legal, and/or Real Estate (if needed)

X. Adjournment

Downtown Development Authority Meeting



Monday, February 02, 2026 at 6:30 PM

City Hall, 875 Main Street, Stone Mountain, Georgia 30083

Minutes

I. Call to Order

Carl Wright called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m.

- Members Present: Carl Wright, Robert Witherspoon, Denise Phillips, Anita Bass and Sarah Hage. Thom DeLoach and the DDA Attorney attended the meeting virtually. Mayor Linder also joined the discussion. Michelle Dunbar was absent from the meeting.

II. Approval of the Agenda: Sarah Hage made a motion to amend the agenda to include discussions regarding the TAD, DDA members' terms, and a message from Mayor Linder. The motion was seconded by Anita Bass and was unanimously approved.

III. Approval of Minutes: Motion by Anita Bass to approve the DDA Regular Meeting Minutes for December 10, 2025, seconded by Sarah Hage. Unanimously approved.

IV. Citizen Comments: no comments.

V. Director's Report: the DCA monthly report for December 2025 was provided.

VI. Council Report: Council Member Bass provided an update on the latest Council meeting.

VII. Old Business

1. **Approval of the FY2026 DDA Budget:** Motion by Denise Phillips to approve the proposed budget, seconded by Anita Bass. Unanimously approved.
2. **Approval of the CITY/DDA IGA for FY2026:** Motion by Denise Phillips to approve the proposed City/DDA IGA for FY2026, seconded by Sarah Hage. Unanimously approved.

VIII. New Business

1. **Discussion Item: Mayor's Remarks on Council Vision and DDA Collaboration:** Mayor Linder joined the DDA meeting and led a discussion regarding the City Council's vision and mission for the City. He emphasized the important role the Downtown Development Authority plays in supporting economic growth and shaping the City's future development.

Mayor Linder expressed his interest in coordinating a joint meeting between the DDA and City Council in the near future to discuss shared priorities and key projects the DDA would like to accomplish.

2. **Commercial Grant Application / Hilda Wells / 955 Main Street:** The DDA requested a copy of the lease agreement between the business owner and the property owner.

Thom DeLoach made a motion to approve the \$25,000 commercial grant request, contingent upon receipt of all required permits. The six-month project completion timeline will begin once the permits have been issued. The motion was seconded by Anita Bass and was unanimously approved. Unanimously approved.

- 3. **Commercial Grant Application / Georgia Stars Academy / 1054 Main Street:** The DDA requested a copy of the lease agreement between the business owner and the property owner, as well as a signed consent form from the property owner.

Denise Phillips made a motion to approve the Georgia Star Academy application, contingent upon receipt of all required permits. The six-month project completion timeline will begin once the permits have been issued. The motion was seconded by Anita Bass and was unanimously approved. (The request was for \$14,400.00).

Robert Witherspoon recused himself from the vote, as he is a business tenant at Stone Mountain Plaza, where Georgia Stars Academy is also located.

- 4. **TAD Discussion:** the discussion was postponed till another meeting.
- 5. **DDA Members' Terms:** The DDA Chair confirmed the current terms of office for each board member.

IX. Executive Session to Discuss Personnel, Legal, and/or Real Estate (if needed): there was no executive session.

- X. Adjournment:** Motion by Sarah Hage to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Robert Witherspoon. Unanimously approved.

Downtown Development Authority Meeting

Tuesday, May 26, 2026 at 6:30 PM

City Hall, 875 Main Street, Stone Mountain, Georgia 30083



Minutes

I. Call to Order

1. Carl Wright called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. Members Present: Carl Wright, Anita Bass, Michelle Dunbar, Sarah Hage, Robert Witherspoon and Thom DeLoach. The DDA Legal Counsel attended as well. Bobby Singleton was absent from the meeting.

II. Approval of the Agenda: Motion made by Anita Bass to approve the agenda, seconded by Sarah Hage. Motion carried unanimously.

III. Approval of Minutes: DDA Regular Meeting Minutes, April 27, 2026: Motion made by Anita Bass to approve the meeting minutes, seconded by Sarah Hage. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. Citizen Comments: No Comments

V. Director's Report: DCA Report for April 2026: The DCA monthly report was presented

VI. Council Report: Council Member Bass provided an update on the latest Council meeting.

VII. Old Business

1. Action Item: Sarah Hage made a motion to approve the proposed amendments to the Commercial Buildout Grant application review process. Under the revised process, applications will no longer be reviewed by a subcommittee. Instead, the Director will review applications and provide recommendations to the Board, which will retain final authority to approve or deny applications. The motion was seconded by Michelle Dunbar and carried unanimously.

VIII. New Business

1. Discussion Item: DDA Budget 2026/2027: there was a brief discussion.
2. Discussion Item: City of Stone Mountain / Branding and Marketing Strategy: the discussion on this item was postponed for another meeting.

IX. Executive Session to Discuss Personnel, Legal, and/or Real Estate (if needed)

Motion made by Anita Bass to enter into executive session to discuss a legal matter/litigation, seconded by Sarah Hage. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion made by Sarah Hage to exit executive session, seconded by Anita Bass. Motion carried unanimously. Unanimously approved.

X. Adjournment

Motion by Michelle Dunbar to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Sarah Hage. Unanimously approved.

Form Name: 2026 Community Activity Report
Submission Time: June 8, 2026 4:18 pm
Browser: Chrome 148.0.0.0 / Windows
IP Address: 50.207.61.118
Unique ID: 1468807675
Location:

Main Street Community Reporting: Stone Mountain

Designation Level: Classic

Month of Report: May

Region: Region 3

Community Population: 5,001 to 10,000

Person Reporting: Maggie Dimov

I would like a copy of this completed report emailed to: mdimov@stonemountaincity.org

PROGRAM OPERATIONS

What is the total dollar amount spent on your program's operational expenses during this reporting period? 7500.00

Please select all funding sources which contributed financially to your program's monthly operational expenses: DDA funds

Did your program have a board meeting this month? Yes

Did the Main Street Manager attend training this month? No

Did any Board Members attend training this month? No

EVENTS and VOLUNTEERS

Did any events occur downtown during the reporting period? No

If known, please estimate the total amount of volunteer hours for all events, board meetings and committee meetings hosted by the local Main Street program:

0

JOB CREATION

PROGRAM PROJECTS AND EXPENSES

NEW MAIN STREET STAFF

Did your program hire any new staff this month? No

Did your program release staff this month? No

Complete and Certify

By signing below, you verify that the information contained in this report is accurate to the best of your knowledge.





DDA Agenda Item

Meeting Date: June 22, 2026

SUBJECT: Enhancement Grant Request / Live Oak Restaurant

Item: Discussion / Action Item

Department: DDA

Presented By: Maggie Dimov, DDA Director

Applicant: Jonathan Hartnett / **Business:** Live Oak Restaurant

Location: 947 Main Street

Description:

Jonathan Hartnett, on behalf of Live Oak Restaurant, has submitted an enhancement grant application to the Downtown Development Authority for property improvements located at 947 Main Street.

1. **Enhancement Grant Application:** for new outdoor patio and built-in furniture.
 - o Total Project Cost: \$20,000.00
 - o Enhancement Grant Request: \$10,000.00
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Recommended Motions

Motion 2:

Motion to approve the Enhancement Grant request submitted by Jonathan Hartnett for Live Oak, located at 947 Main Street, in the amount of **\$10,000.00**, subject to compliance with all City requirements for permits.



Downtown Development Authority
City of Stone Mountain, Georgia
875 Main Street, Stone Mountain, GA 30083

ENHANCEMENT GRANT APPLICATION

Please read the Enhancement Grant Guidelines before completing the application. Please type or print all entries.

Applicant Information:

Business Name:	LIVE OAK TAP LLC
Contact Name:	JONATHAN HARTNETT
Business Address:	947 MAIN STREET
City, ST, ZIP:	STONE MOUNTAIN GA 30083
Telephone:	
Email:	

Property Owner Information (if different from Applicant).

Property Tax Parcel ID for project location:	18 089 27 014
Property Owner:	DJW, LLC
Mailing Address:	1766 MOUNTAIN GLEN
City, ST, ZIP:	STONE MOUNTAIN GA 30087
Telephone:	
Email:	

Project Description. Check box () and attach Historic Preservation Commission approval if needed.

Full patio construction with built-in furniture and new canopy.

Estimated Cost of Project (attach detailed budget): \$ 20,000
Amount of Façade Grant Requested (See Guidelines): \$ 10,000

I have read the guidelines and affirm that to the best of my knowledge all the entries on this application are accurate and true.

Name & Signature of Applicant: JONATHAN HARTNETT

Name & Signature of Owner (if different from applicant): _____

T & P Resources

5656 HOG MOUNTAIN ROAD
FLOWERY BRANCH, GA 30542

ESTIMATE

September 28, 2025

Live Oak Tap

947 main street, stone mountain, Ga 30083

T & P Resources proposes the following scope to construct a deck for seating per the current fire & safety code in the state of Georgia. The current project is under construction and the deck will be furnished once the job is complete. The plans will be submitted with this estimate.

Live Oak Tap at 947 Main Street, Stone Mountain Georgia 30083.

ARCHITECTURAL DRAWINGS	\$2500
MATERIALS	\$8500
LABOR	\$8500
REMOVAL OF OVERHANGING WIRES	\$800
REMOVAL OF OVERHANGING TREES	\$1200
PERMIT FEE	\$150

TOTAL

\$21,650