#### MINUTES OF THE DOWNTOWN IMPROVEMENT BOARD

## Regular Monthly Meeting

Tuesday, May 25, 2021

#### Attendance

Michael Carro, Chairman, Jean Pierre N'Dione, Adam Cobb, Patti Sonnen, Robert Bender, *ex officio*, Casey Jones, *ex officio*, and Walker Wilson, Executive Director

#### Call to Order

- a. Chairman Carro called the meeting to order at 7:31 a.m.
  - a. Comments for Chair- Chair Carro would like Mr. Wilson to share the Homelessness Task
    Force 7-point plan with the board when it is available.
  - b. Chair Carro and Mr. Wilson will be meeting with Mayor June 2 to discuss possible
    Palafox Street Closure and Noise issues on Palafox.

## Recurring Agenda

- a. Mr. Wilson confirmed that the meeting was properly noticed.
- b. The proposed meeting agenda was unanimously approved.
- c. The minutes of the regular meeting of the DIB held on May 5, 2021 were unanimously approved.

## **Finance**

- a. DIB April Financials were unanimously approved.
  - a. Board appreciated P&L for Market and would like to look at ways to use profit from Market to improve the Market.

## On-Going Business

b. StreetPlus April Report

- The StreetPlus team lost an employee in March. Lori has yet to find a replacement and it is placing too much pressure on the current employees.
- Board would like to explore all options to help mitigate this pressure being placed on StreetPlus employees

## c. Marketing Report

- i. Friends of DT secured full funding for digital artwork project for FooFoo Fest.
- ii. 14th anniversary Market received a ton of coverage through local media outlets.

#### d. Palafox Market

 Palafox Market 14<sup>th</sup> Anniversary was a success and the Covid Vaccine Site had 35 patients walk in.

# New Business

- a) Palafox Market Manager Search
  - a. Sydney Barrow informed Walker Wilson her last day would be 5/26 and Walker is currently searching for replacement.

#### On-Hold

- a. Fountain Lighting Project
- b. DIB Projects Idea
- c. Pensacola Mardi Gras- May 29th
  - a. No Palafox Market will be held.
- d. RFP Legal Services
  - a. A motion was made for Executive Director to sign engagement Letter with Quintairos,
    Prieto, Wood & Boyer, P.A.

#### **Public Comment**

None

# Adjournment

a. The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 a.m.

**NEXT MEETING June 22, 2021**