

Downtown Improvement Board Regular Monthly Meeting

Monday September 30th, 2024,

8:00 **AGENDA**

Attendance: Chris McKean, Chairman, Jean Pierre N'Dione, William Merrill, Rafael Simpson, Nathan Holler, Walker Wilson, Executive Director, Cailin Feagles, Director of Operations and Events

I. Call to Order

a. Chris McKean, Chairman, calls the meeting to order at 8:06 AM

II. Recurring Agenda

- a. Mr. Walker Wilson confirmed the meeting was properly noticed.
- b. The proposed meeting agenda for September 30th, 2024 is motioned by Jean Pierre N'Dione, seconded by William Merrill, and unanimously approved.
- C. The minutes from the regular meeting held on September 4th, 2024 are motioned, seconded, and unanimously approved.
- d. The August financials have been motioned, seconded, and unanimously approved.
 - Palafox Market Vendor revenue under budget for the year
 - Waste Co-op revenue does not include DIB contribution and will be updated for next meeting.

III. On-Going Business

- a. PPD Report
 - A new sergeant will be starting in the CRA district on October 13th
 - New camping ordinance will be in place in October. Any questions regarding this ordinance can be directed to PPD
 - Megaphone at Palafox Market has continued to be an issue.
- b. Spotless Report
 - No report.
- C. Marketing Report
 - The harvest sip and shop occurred in September and was well attended.
 - Five chefs have been confirmed for repast.
 - The CRA report has been completed along with multiple photoshoots downtown.
 - Projects started in August include the Palafox Market Fall Festival preparation

d. Palafox Market

- There is a new trolley stop at the Commendencia Parking lot for a free parking option for customers.
- Vendors are still adjusting to parking changes on Palafox Street.

IV. New Business

- a. Property Tax Valuation Discussion
 - Walker Wilson to do more research on similar organizations across the state for next meeting.

- b. The New Palafox Survey Results
 - Survey results show that ideally the work would be done Sunday-Tuesday with nighttime construction.
 - Business owners/residents would like a timeline for the project and have concerns regarding lack of loading zones, loss of on-street parking, and timeframe of project.
 - The city will continue meeting with the consultants to discuss feedback from the general public meeting to revise plans.
 - The city is also in the process of creating a clear map of city parking along with signage, a possible shuttle service, and potential places for a multi-use parking facility.
- c. *Jefferson Street Garage Policing 4 Weekends up to \$5,000
 - Motioned, seconded, and unanimously approved.
 - The board would like to see thorough documentation at the end of the four weekends.
- d. * All I Want Campaign- \$8,000
 - Motioned, seconded, and unanimously approved.
- e. *E.D. Annual Review- Bonus up to \$5,000
 - Motioned, seconded, and unanimously approved.
- f. *E.D. Salary Discussion- Up to 10% raise (Approved Budget allows for 5.6% increase)
 - A 5% salary increase is motioned, seconded, and unanimously approved.
- VIII. Public Comment
- IX. Adjournment
 - Meeting was adjourned at 10:15 AM

Next meeting – October 22nd, 2024 (*) = approval item