

## Downtown Improvement Board Regular Monthly Meeting Wednesday April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025, 7:30 AGENDA

## Attendance: Chris McKean, Chairman, Nathan Holler, William Merrill, Rafael Simpson, Allison Patton, Mike Kohler, Walker Wilson, Executive Director, Cailin Feagles, Director of Operations & Events

- I. Call to Order
  - a. Chris McKean, Chairman, calls the meeting to order at 7:36 AM
- II. Recurring Agenda
  - a. Mr. Walker Wilson confirmed the meeting was properly noticed.
  - **b.** The proposed meeting agenda for April 22nd, 2025 is motioned by William Merrill, seconded by Nathan Holler and unanimously approved.
  - C. The minutes from the regular meeting held on April 2nd, 2025 are motioned, seconded, and unanimously approved.
  - d. The March financials are motioned, seconded, and unanimously approved.
    - Economic Development is over budget for the month due to shop local campaign videos.
    - Palafox Market income and expenses under budget due to Mardi Gras weekend market closure.
- III. On-Going Business
  - a. PPD Report
    - There are continued issues with vehicles at Maritime Park and PPD is working with Florida Highway Patrol to address some of these issues.
    - The city has offered to match the DIB contributions to a traffic detail to monitor vehicle noise that will help alleviate some of those issues. The program is expected to start this summer with a press release to go out prior to the program starting.
    - Downtown bars are looking to hire additional off-duty officers.
  - b. Spotless Report
    - No report.
      - Pressure washing continuing on Palafox Street.
  - C. Marketing Report
    - Some of the projects from March included preparation for Repast, the Easter market at Palafox Market and FooFoo Fest.
    - The merchant videos for the shop local campaign are underway.
    - Ideaworks to continue promoting Palafox Market trolley and the City of Pensacola trolley on the weekends.
  - d. Palafox Market
    - There have been issues with amplified noise on the sidewalks outside the park in Palafox Market North.

## IV. New Business

- a. Schedule Meeting with Palafox Market Vendors
  - Cailin Feagles to send out a questionnaire prior to meeting to gather feedback.
  - The meeting is scheduled for May 17<sup>th</sup> at 4 PM.
- b. Foot Traffic Counter Update
  - Walker Wilson has reached out to three different companies and will revisit this at next month's board meeting.
- C. Jefferson Alleyway Closure
  - Quotes to close the alleyway ranged from \$50,000 to \$60,000. The board would not like to move forward with these quotes.
- d. FooFoo Project Submission
  - Public scoring will be on May 21<sup>st</sup>.
  - The name of this year's project is Afterburn
- e. Repast Dinner 09/07/2025
  - Repast has been rescheduled to September 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025
- f. Executive Director Updates
  - The Portland Loos planned for the Skate Park and MLK Jr. Plaza are top priority. The location of the third Portland Loo is still being discussed.
  - There are plans to create a committee to gather input for the upcoming Pensacola Bay Center plans.
  - Walker Wilson to revisit the Pelican Drop notes to evaluate costs.
  - A planter by Dog House Deli has been damaged and needs to be repaired.
    - There is a motion to approve up to \$6,500 to repair the planter railing.
- VIII. Public Comment
- IX. Adjournment
  - The meeting is adjourned at 9:04 AM

Next meeting – May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025 (\*) = approval item