## GWINNETT PLACE COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (GPCID) REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Atlanta Marriott Gwinnett Place 1775 Pleasant Hill Road Duluth, GA 30096 May 9, 2012

#### **MINUTES**

Attendees

Board Members:

Casey Coffey

Kimberly Morphis

James Song

Leo Wiener

Mark Williams

Board Observers:

Chris McGahee

Staff:

Joe Allen, Glenn Wisdom

Legal:

Lynn Rainey

Consultants:

Ken Bleakly, Bleakly Advisory Group

Erick Fry, URS Corporation

Jonathan Gelber, Bleakly Advisory Group

Mark Rountree, Landmark Communications, Inc.

Jim Summerbell, Jacobs

Chairman Wiener called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. by welcoming all in attendance. Gwinnett County Tax Commissioner Richard Steele received a special welcome and thanks for his services to the community.

Mr. Casey motioned to approve the proposed Meeting Agenda; seconded by Mr. Williams and unanimously approved.

Mr. Casey motioned to approve the Minutes from the April 11, 2012 monthly business meeting and caucus of electors, as presented; seconded by Mr. Williams and unanimously approved.

#### **Action/Consent Items**

Approval of Gwinnett Livable Centers Imitative (LCI) Resolution

Following a review of the LCI process and update on the draft report by Mr. Summerbell, Mr. Allen provided an overview of the proposed resolution declaring the board's support for the Gwinnett LCI update vision and encouraging the Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners to also approve a resolution in support

of the LCI efforts. Mr. Williams motioned to approve the resolution; seconded by Mr. Coffey and unanimously approved.

# Gwinnett Place Opportunity Zones

Following an overview by Mr. Bleakly and Mr. Gelber of the proposed Gwinnett Place Urban Redevelopment Zone with proposed Opportunity Zone Subareas, Mr. Williams motioned to endorse/approve the parcel map; seconded by Mr. Casey and unanimously approved.

# Telephone Conference Call Policy

Following an overview by Mr. Rainey of recent revisions to the Open Meetings Act and Open Records Act that have made the CID's Telephone Conference Call Policy invalid and superseded by state law, Mr. Casey motioned to rescind the Gwinnett Place CID Board of Directors Telephone Conference Call Policy; seconded by Ms. Morphis and unanimously approved.

### Treasurer's Report

Mr. Allen presented the account summary for April 2012.

## Checking Account

April 1, 2012 Beginning Balance:	\$ 7,277.49
April 30, 2012 Ending Balance:	\$45,373.58

### Money Market Account

April 1, 2012 Beginning Balance:	\$2,377,576.18
April 30, 2012 Ending Balance:	\$2,302,090.33

#### Certificate of Deposit

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April 1, 2012 Beginning Balance:	\$153,391.85
April 30, 2012 Ending Balance:	\$153,682.64

#### Total Account

April 1, 2012 Beginning Balance:	\$2,538,245.52
April 30, 2012 Ending Balance:	\$2,501,146.55

Mr. Allen noted that as of April 30, 2012, the CID had approximately \$2.5 million in cash. He encouraged board members to review the April monthly financial details. The current cash balance and expected revenues vs. costs leave an estimated \$1.3 million at the board's discretion through the end of October 2017.

Mr. Coffey motioned to approve the Treasurer's Report and ratify the expenditures for April 2012; seconded by Mr. Williams and unanimously approved.

#### Chairman's Remarks

Mr. Wiener noted that the CID is continuing to follow its strategic vision for the area with various transportation projects and creation of tools to promote redevelopment.

#### **Board Member's Remarks**

Mr. Williams congratulated Duluth High School for ranking #10 in Georgia and #592 in the United States.

### Executive Director's Remarks

Mr. Allen provided an update on the following projects:

### Streetscape and Sidewalk Projects

The Notice to Proceed (NTP) was issued by GDOT on May 7 to begin construction of the three Transportation Enhancement (TE)/SPLOST/CID-funded streetscape projects. The contractor has ten business days to mobilize. Construction should begin the end of May and continue through August. Due to the current drought conditions, plant materials will not be installed until after October 15. Construction of six SPLOST-funded sidewalk projects will begin May 14 and continue through mid-August.

### Pleasant Hill Road Bridge Project

URS Corporation Project Manager Erick Fry provided an overview of the Diverging Diamond Interchange (DDI) project approvals, right of way status and next steps for the project. Mr. Fry and Mr. Allen noted that the construction bids would be received by Gwinnett County until May 15. The encroachment permit has been issued by GDOT and the right of way acquisition is in its final stages. Anticipate construction beginning in the summer.

## Venture Drive Intersection Realignment

Mr. Allen noted the final plans were being re-submitted to Gwinnett DOT as part of the plan review process. Board members were provided with the updated plan which incorporates Gwinnett DOT comments and the mast arm, streetscape and landscaping elements.

#### Misc:

- Mr. Allen provided board members with 2012 millage rate information from the Gwinnett County Tax Commissioner's Office. June and July meetings will be necessary in order to meet the requirements of the 2012 tax billing cycle.
- Mr. Allen encouraged board members to review the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Report Card documenting progress of CID staff to fulfill the Strategic Vision for the Gwinnett Place area approved by the board in November 2011.

## Public Relations Update

Landmark Communication's Mark Rountree noted that the 2012 Annual Report has been prepared in an electronic version and distributed. Board members were provided with a copy for their review. Mr. Rountree shared that an op-ed

by Mr. Wiener will appear in the May 2012 Gwinnett Business Journal. Mr. Allen encouraged board members to review the numerous positive articles about the area that appeared in local news outlets throughout the month of April 2012.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m. The next scheduled meeting is 9:00 a.m. on June 13, 2012 at the Atlanta Marriott Gwinnett Place, 1775 Pleasant Hill Road, Duluth.

Approved by the Board this

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August 1, 20/2.

Secretary