

**MIDTOWN COMMUNITY BENEFITS DISTRICT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES Wednesday, APRIL 6, 2016
MICA – 1601 MT ROYAL AVENUE – 6:30 PM**

Member's Present: Polly Duke, Rufus Davis, Jennifer Mielke, Stephen Johnson, Vicky Aloneftis, Steven Howard, Brian Levy and Joseph Palumbo, Kory Gedin and Melvin Mercer by telephone

Staff Present:

Michelle Wirzberger, Executive Director, Midtown Community Benefits District
Peggy Smallwood, Deputy Director, Midtown Community Benefits District

Visitor(s) Present: Justin Lane, Chief of Staff for Councilman Eric Costello

Joseph Palumbo, Chair called meeting to order at 6:35pm

Approval of the March Minutes

Chair asked for motion to approve March minutes.

Steve Howard motioned to approve March minutes.

Jennifer Mielke seconded motion.

All in favor. Motion passed.

Michelle Wirzberger, Executive Director's Report

- Executive Director gave an update about the current staffing shortage. Currently there are two positions that need to be filled - a litter-vac operator and a flex-team weekend driver. It is expected that the positions will be filled within the next month.

Committee Reports

Reauthorization Committee Report

- Executive Director gave an update on the reauthorization process. The bill is scheduled to go before the City Council on April 18, 2016 for the second reading and May 3, 2016 for the third reading.

Clean Committee Report

Clean Committee has met and discussed the following:

- The committee is exploring the use of the load packer as an additional revenue generator through fee-for-service opportunities
- The committee is exploring the suggestion of using red hot pepper flakes to deter rats
- The committee is researching using informational material such as door hangers to educate community residents about illegal dumping.

Green Committee Report

- The committee will reach out to Parks and People Foundation to establish a fee-for-service partnership.
- Green and Clean Committee members have agreed to merge the committee meetings only due to the commonality of topics discussed.

Public Safety Committee Report

- Public Safety walk in Bolton Hill is scheduled for April 14, 2016. Participants will include Kevin Davis, Baltimore City Commissioner, Bernard “Jack” Young, Council President, Eric Costello, Councilman of the 11th District and community stakeholders from the Bolton Hill community
- Public Safety Committee continue to look for ways to promote the public safety service throughout the district. The committee have discussed utilizing the new club cars during public events being held in the district.

Steven Johnson, Budget & Finance Committee

Steve Johnson motioned to approve FY2017 budget presented at the Spring Town Hall meeting and forward to the Board of Estimate for approval.

Brian Levy seconded motion.

Floor opened for discussion. Discussion followed.

Call for vote on motion.

All in favor. Motion passed.

Adjournment

****Next Midtown Board of Directors meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 1, 2016 at 6:30 pm at the MICA Gateway Building**