

**MIDTOWN COMMUNITY BENEFITS DISTRICT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2, 2014
MICA – 1601 MT ROYAL AVENUE – 6:30 PM**

Member's Present: Sandy Harley, Steven Johnson, Jeff LaNoue, Jennifer Mielke, Mike Molla, Joseph Palumbo, Brent Pertusio, Doreen Rosenthal, Steve Shen, Paul Warren,

Staff Present:

Peter Merles, Executive Director, Midtown Community Benefits District
Peggy Smallwood, Office Manager, Midtown Community Benefits District

Joseph Palumbo, Chair called meeting to order at 6:34 pm.

Approval of March 5, 2014 Minutes

Chair ask for motion to approve minutes

Steve Johnson makes motion to accept January minutes

Motion seconded.

All in favor. Motion passes.

Approval of March 12, 2014 Special Meeting Minutes

A special meeting called to discuss the purchase of new building, resolution to authorize Joe Palumbo to sign on behalf of the board and enter into a lease agreement with Midtown Fund

Jennifer Mielke motions to approve minutes

Mike Molla seconds motion.

8 in favor. 1 opposed. Majority in favor. Motion passes.

Peter Merles, Executive Director's Report

Report distributed prior to the meeting and copies are on file in the MCBF binder.

Joseph Palumbo, Executive Committee Report

Joe Palumbo addressed an email regarding letter from Charles North about issues that were previously addressed in February's board meeting. Chair would like the record to show that the concerns were addressed and responded to in the board meeting. Chair reiterates the importance of Charles North neighborhood having representation at the meetings.

Steve Johnson, Finance Committee Report

Proposed FY2015 budget distributed prior to the meeting and copies are on file in the MCBF binder.

Steve Johnson makes motion to approve FY 2015 Budget presented at the Spring Town Hall meeting and forward to Board of Estimates for approval

Jeff LaNoue seconds motion.

8 in favor. 1 abstained. Majority in favor. Motion passes.

Governance Committee

Report given by Jeff LaNoue. Cristian Song, Peter Merles and Jeff LaNoue met to discuss the minimum number of board meetings. Since a quorum was not present the recommendation could not move forward. The recommendation discussed was to change to a minimum of 8 meetings per year including town hall meetings.

Doreen Rosenthal proposes to amend meeting bylaws from 10 monthly board meetings per year to a minimum of 6 monthly board meetings.

Steve Johnson seconds motion.

All in favor. Motion passes.

Final vote at the May board meeting.

Previous By Laws Amendments

Proposed change: One voting member shall be a member of the City Council or a member of the staff of the City Council, in either case appointed by the President of the City Council.

Minutes shall reflect that the board is rescinding the previous motion for the City Council representation due concerns raised by Councilman Cole about the proposed wording.

Sandy Harley also addresses the suggestions made at the Governance committee meeting to have a representative from Station North Arts and Entertainment District on the board. Don Donahue sent a response vehemently opposing any suggestion and/or discussion that the Arts and Entertainment District be invited to a seat on the board.

Mike Molla, Personnel/Search Committee

Mike Molla ask board feedback as to their thoughts of presenting one candidate to the board versus two candidates. The search committee discussed the possibility of one candidate versus two candidates. Board members expressed their confidence in the decision making of the search committee and exercise their own discretion in choosing a suitable Executive Director candidate.

Chair calls a special meeting April 16, 2014 @ 6:30 pm. for the board to meet the new Executive Director candidate. Location TBD.

Chair asks for motion to adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 7:44 pm