



**DOWNTOWN MOBILITY AUTHORITY
MINUTES**

**Tuesday, October 28, 2020
4:00 PM**

Due to the declarations of a State of Emergency by the President of the United States, the Governor of Tennessee, and the Mayor of Memphis relating to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the DMA has determined that it is necessary that the meeting be conducted by electronic or other means of communication in order to protect the health, safety and welfare of the public, DMC staff, and DMA board members. This meeting of the DMA was held via Zoom virtual meeting. Board members participated by phone with all materials made available to them as well as the public in advance. Procedures were in place to identify all participants on the call including members of the public and allow for questions and public comment.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Shanea McKinney, Shara Goldin, Alvin Crook, Wayne West, Travis Green, John Golwen and Suzanne Carlson

BOARD MEMBERS NOT PRESENT:

DMC STAFF PRESENT: Jennifer Oswalt, Brett Roler, Christine Taylor, Penelope Springer, Penelope Huston, Jaske Goff, Erik Stevenson, Katie Flynn, Kaeyla Willis, Abe Lueders, and Debra Streeter.

GUESTS PRESENT: James McLaren (Counsel), James Stokes, Emily Neff, Robert Strandbury, Deborah Craddock, Stephen Edwards, Mike Humes, Caroline Rader, George Abbott, Olivia Blahut, Gary Rosenfeld, Amanda Lund, Tom Bailey, Corbin Carpenter, Corinne Kennedy, Doug Carpenter, Elizabeth Glasgow, Glenn Floyd, Carl Person, Carol Coletta, Scott Van Der Jagt, Jason Weeks, Lauren Crabtree, Jack McCleskey, Irving Sandoval, Cheyenne Johnson, Carter Hord, Deni Reilly, Anton Mack, Brandy Johnson-Ward, Elizabeth Low, Teresa Sloyan, Andre Fowlkes, John Lancaster, Nancy Harwood, Sylvia Crum, Lorie Chapman, Charles Carpenter, Frank Ricks, Scott Henninger, Ray Brown and a Member of Public.

Shanea McKinney determined that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 4:03 PM. Christine Taylor called roll for board members, staff and asked all attending guest to add their names to the chat feature. Chairman McKinney called for approval of the Consideration of Open Meeting Resolution finding that meeting by electronic means of communication is necessary. John Golwen made a motion to approve the resolution, Wayne West seconded the motion, after roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously. After reviewing meeting protocols, Chairman McKinney called for approval of the minutes from September 29, 2020 meeting. John Golwen motioned to approve the minutes as presented, Shara Goldin seconded the motion, after roll call vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Shanea McKinney called for agenda item III: Financial Update

Penelope Springer presented the financial update and answered related questions.

Shanea McKinney called for agenda item IV: Mobility – On-Demand Circulator

Jennifer Oswalt introduced Olivia Blahut, who provide an overview of VIA. VIA provides a fully intergrated solution for every aspect of public mobility. The request is to approve up to \$200,000. for the DMC portion to support the VIA pilot project. The funds would transfer from DMA budget to CCDC. DMC will be in partnership with MATA and MMDC. After several board members questions were answered, John Golwen made a motion to approve the resolution as presented, and Wayne West seconded the motion, after roll call vote, the motion passed.

Shanea McKinney called for agenda item V: Add Parking Strategically

Brett Roler presented the request for the use of the PILOT Extension Fund on a slate of projects to help increase development, investment, and density in the Downtown Core and connect public assets. The recommended parking investment include a Downtown Mobility Center, Wagner Place, Cutbank Bluff, Shopper’s Garage, First Parking Place garage, and Brooks Museum & Monroe Connection. Doug McGowen (representing the City of Memphis), stand behind and fully supports the presented project.

Travis Green made a motion to open the floor for public comment, and Suzanne Carlson seconded the motion, after roll call vote, the motion passed. Guest were allowed to make comments before the final board vote. Carter Hord addressed concerns about Brooks Museum and the lack of parking. He also feels that community has not been involved enough on the upcoming project.

After several questions were answered, Travis Green made a motion to approve the request as presented, and John Golwen seconded the motion, after roll call vote, the motion passed.

(NOTE: Suzanne Carlson voted No)

Shanea McKinney called for agenda item VII: Presidents Report

Jennifer Oswalt thanked board members for their extra time today. The next meeting will be help November 18th.

Shanea McKinney called for agenda item VIII: Other Business/Adjournment

Seeing no further business, Shanea McKinney adjourned the meeting.