

**MINUTES FROM MACON-BIBB COUNTY URBAN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
WORK SESSION MEETING
January 27, 2021**

A called meeting of the Macon-Bibb County Urban Development Authority held
on Wednesday January 27, 2021 at 11 a.m. via conference call.

The agenda was as follows:

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Presiding: Kay Gerhardt

Attending: Kay Gerhardt, Jan Beeland, Loretta Thomas,
Dr. Callender, Ryan Griffin, Charles Richardson, Cole Thomason

Staff: Alex Morrison, Victoria Jessie, Donesha Gibson

Others in Attendance: Blake Sharpton, Suzy Garcia, Jamie Garner

Media: Liz Fabian

Called to order- 11:04 a.m.

Adjourned- 12:49 p.m.

- I. Macon Action Plan Presentation and Approval (Morrison)
MAP to receive funding from 2 agencies: Peyton Anderson and The Knight Foundation. Addressed the Urban Core which consist of connecting multiple neighborhoods and the utilization of public spaces; having the ability to make them more inclusive and accessible to downtown while making the downtown area a more enjoyable place for everyone. 5 categories targeted: supporting economic development,

creating urban core experience, downtown residential living, cultivating connectivity and implementation.

Looking to grow more black owned businesses, housing (affordable housing/homeless prevention) also providing more kid/family friendly sites.

Downtown Challenge Grant application now open to individuals with new ideas that maybe beneficial to improving the downtown experience. Deadline is March 15, 2021.

Motion to adopt and approve (Griffin), 2nd (Beeland)

II. Mill Hill Update

Beeland and Robbie met at 209 Schell Saturday, drew up plans to be submitted to Sheridan; Pat and Sheridan discussed budget.

Mr. Howard from Code Enforcement has been assigned to 247 Schell (property not owned by UDA). The condition of property has been addressed with the homeowner and the need for upkeep; will follow up Friday.

223 Schell should be completed Friday including any touchup work.

Andy will photograph property. Committee to meet 1xmonthly (Friday mornings).

242 Schell, doors to be completed tomorrow.

Ms. Clayborne with The Brokery to speak at Homebuyers workshop.

The workshop will be from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Marketing – done through mini-marketing campaign and social media; also J.R. with MAA will be assisting with marketing. Rollout has been coordinated with J.R.

11:52 a.m. Motion to enter closed session (Beeland), 2nd (Thomason)

12:49 p.m. Motion to reopen meeting (Richardson), 2nd (Griffin)

Closed Session minutes separate