FROM MACON-BIBB COUNTY URBAN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MINUTES WORK SESSION PUBLIC AUTHORITY MEETING

April 25, 2024

The work session monthly meeting of the Macon-Bibb County Urban Development Authority held on Thursday April 25, 2024, at 8:30 a.m. in the Mayor's Conference Room, 2nd floor of City Hall 700 Poplar St Macon, GA 31201.

The agenda was as follows:

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Presiding: Chair: Kay Gerhardt

Attending: Kay Gerhardt, Lisa Berrian, Charles Richardson,

Jan Beeland (zoom), Ryan Griffin

Absent: Jim Crisp, Jonathan Barton

Staff: Alex Morrison, Donesha Gibson, Margaret Peth

Others in Attendance: Blake Sharpton, Mike Ford, Hailie Poppell,

Steven Schroeder, Chris Sheridan

Media: Liz Fabian

8:40 a.m. – 9:55 a.m.

I. Trail Presentation (Sheridan)

Continuing to work on plans for trail. Scope of work provided for board to review. Sheridan requesting UDA endorse plans and incorporate in MAP (Macon Action Plan). Information is available on the website as well as a comment section.

Per Poppell, 6/1/24 is National Trails Day, which will include a behind-the-scenes tour providing insight into the use of the trail.

Motion to approve endorsing trail plans & incorporating them into MAP (Richardson) (Griffin)2nd.

II. Bid approval for Bicentennial Park Contractor

Plans for Bicentennial Park presented to the board. Four bids were received. Winfrow Contractors was selected to do the project. Artwork for the park funding via Bicentennial Committee. Irrigation for the park will be incorporated into the project, trees provided via separate grant. Anticipate groundbreaking in May 2024.

III. Parking Update

An information packet was provided for the board including a revenue report. A few highlights from the last meeting include revision of by-laws, as well as advertising for advisory committee to begin in the next few weeks. Short term goal is to have the first meeting in June with regularly scheduled meetings to be held the 1st Friday of every month.

Currently waiting on plans regarding the 500 sq ft expansion of Park Macon into adjacent space. Signs for garage have been ordered and will be installed upon delivery.

Work continues with Gtechna, resolving issues of mailing citations and validation management. Will be ordering additional sim cards and updating signage for Park Macon office; ordering meters as well as replacement parts via Mackay.

Per Morrison, the meeting with county attorney's office went well regarding court proceedings, "last chance" letters and citations.

Board member suggested exploring the option of physically placing citations on windshield of vehicles in violation of "paid parking" while in the parking garage.

On-going issues to be addressed regarding repeated vandalism of the garage (garage recently repainted).

IV. Closed Session to discuss the purchase of Real Estate by or from the Authority

9:29 am Motion to approve closed session (Griffin) (Berrian)2nd.

9:55 am Motion to reopen meeting (Richardson)(Berrian)2nd.

9:55 a.m. Meeting adjourned.