

**FROM MACON-BIBB COUNTY URBAN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
MINUTES WORK SESSION (CALLED MEETING) PUBLIC AUTHORITY MEETING**

March 28, 2024

The work session monthly meeting of the Macon-Bibb County Urban Development Authority held on Thursday, March 28, 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:

March 28, 2024

Presiding: Chair: Kay Gerhardt

Attending: Kay Gerhardt, Lisa Berrian, Charles Richardson,
Jim Crisp, Jonathan Barton, Ryan Griffin

Absent: Jan Beeland

Staff: Alex Morrison, Donesha Gibson, Margaret Peth

Others in Attendance: Blake Sharpton, Michael Greenwald,
Alton Donaldson, Steven Schroeder

Media: Liz Fabian

8:32 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

- I. Minutes Approval
Motion to approve minutes (Crisp) (Griffin)2nd.
- II. Sidewalk Café Application (Sweet Eleanors)
Motion to approve sidewalk application (Crisp) (Richardson)2nd.

III. Community Connector Grant Acceptance

UDA to be fiscal agent.

Motion to approve (Griffin) (Barton)2nd.

IV. Parking Update (Peth)

Peth provided a financial spreadsheet and report for February to the board. Currently working on improving signage in the parking deck, establishing a parking advisory board and by-laws, as well as expanding the parking office location into the vacant space next door (previous Vital Signz location). Both Peth and Folsom did a walk-through of space. Meeting with Gtechna today.

Supplies have been ordered for staff and the office such as additional SIM cards and fire extinguishers.

A power point presentation for the downtown advisory board was presented via Peth, followed by Q&A and board recommendations. Board to vote on advisory committee at the next meeting.

Additional updates per Schroeder, stairwells have been pressure washed. This will be done quarterly and will include the parking deck as well. Addressed vandalism, trespassing and possible solutions.

V. Mill Hill Update

Renovations/repairs almost completed on both houses (Hydrolia St & Schell Ave); anticipate completion by the end of April 2024. Eck to obtain Garden St house with a possible construction loan via UDA. Board member stressed the need for contractors to remove the remaining frame of house on Main Street due to safety concerns.

Bids for the Bicentennial Park are due next week. Proceeds from the fundraiser(s) will purchase the artwork for the park.

VI. Closed Session to discuss the Purchase of Real Estate by or from the Authority.

9:25 a.m. motion to enter closed session (Griffin) (Crisp)2nd.

10:00 a.m. motion to reopen meeting (Griffin) (Crisp)2nd.

10:00 a.m. - Adjourned