



McPherson Implementing Local Redevelopment Authority

Development Committee Meeting
February 18, 2016

A meeting of the Development Committee of the McPherson Implementing Local Redevelopment Authority (Fort Mac LRA) was held on Thursday, February 18, 2016 at 1794 Walker Ave. Atlanta, GA 30310.

Committee Members:

Thomas L. Weyandt Jr., Chairman
Sharonda Hubbard
Brian McGowan
John Akin

Staff, Legal Counsel and Others:

Brian Hooker, Fort Mac LRA
Sandra Tennyson, Fort Mac LRA
Denise-Perkins Griffith, Fort Mac LRA
Arthur Mallard, Fort Mac LRA
Pete Hayley, Fort Mac LRA
Robert Mosby, Fort Mac LRA
Joyce Allen, Fort Mac LRA
Tamara Felton-Howard, Fort Mac LRA Fellow
Jaimeisha Washington, Fort Mac LRA Fellow
Kenneth Neighbors, Attorney, Greenberg Traurig

Guests:

Gamba Stewart, Sylvan Hills NA
Allean Brown, NPU-S
Melvin Buchanan
Matt Garbett
Kyeron Simmons, Creative Minds Master Development

The Chairman called the MILRA Development Committee meeting to order at approximately 4:14 P.M.

Announcements and Welcome:

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for their continued support.

Approval of Agenda:

The Chairman recommended the approval of the agenda. Brian McGowan made a motion to approve and it was seconded by Sharonda Hubbard. Approval was unanimous.

Approval of the Minutes:

The Chairman made the recommendation to approve the December 4, 2015 Minutes. Sharonda Hubbard made a motion to approve and it was seconded by Brian McGowan. Approval was unanimous.

The Chairman made the recommendation to approve the January 21, 2016 Minutes. Sharonda Hubbard made a motion to approve and it was seconded by Brian McGowan. Approval was unanimous.

Public Comment:

The Chairman invited public comment and Mr. Matt Garbett and Ms. Allean Brown spoke. Mr. Garbett stated that the transportation aspect of the plan was excellent and asked that we “consider adaptive reuse, fewer big boxes” and smaller and more resilient development. Ms. Brown stated that there are suggestions in the plan that could become more immediate opportunities if they were applied to more compatible existing resources.

Item: 5: LCI Plan Presentation & Discussion:

Mr. Bill de St. Aubin, CEO of the Sizemore Group presented the final draft of the Oakland City/Fort McPherson LCI (Livable Centers Initiative) plan to the Development Committee recommendation before it goes before the full board. Mr. de St. Aubin’s presentation captured the highlights of the study. The presentation was thorough and handouts were included in the committee members’ packet for their perusal.

Item: No. 6: Recommendations to Full Board

Chairman Weyandt recommended the adoption of the LCI draft plan as presented at the February 18, 2016 Development Committee meeting to the full board. Sharonda Hubbard made a motion to approve and it was seconded by John Akin. Approval was unanimous.

Item No. 8: Executive Session:

Chairman Weyandt, made an announcement to move into Executive Session and read the following statement.

“Ladies and Gentleman: In accordance with O.C.G.A. SECTION 50-14-4(B), notwithstanding the lack of quorum, the members of the McPherson Implementing LRA Development Committee who are present will enter into executive session. The purpose for the closed session is for members to (1) deliberate regarding matters involving real estate. The specific reasons for the closed session will be entered in the official minutes and a notarized affidavit will be executed stating that the executive session was devoted to matters within the exceptions provided by law.”

The Board went into Executive Session for approximately 50 minutes. After the Executive Session ended the Chairman asked that the meeting be reopened to the public. John Akin made a motion to approve and it was seconded by Sharonda Hubbard. Approval was unanimous.

Adjournment:

John Akin made a motion to adjourn; it was seconded by Sharonda Hubbard. Approval was unanimous. The Development Committee meeting ended at approximately 5:57 P.M.

Recorded By:



Sandra Tennyson
Executive Assistant

Approved By:



Brian C. Hooker
Executive Director

OPEN MEETINGS AFFIDAVIT

PERSONALLY APPEARED before the undersigned attesting officer, duly authorized to administer oaths, Thomas L. Weyandt, Jr., who, after being duly sworn in, deposes and on oath states the following:

- (1) I was the presiding officer of the **Development Committee** of the McPherson Implementing Local Redevelopment Authority (the "Authority") held on the 18th day of February, 2016.
- (2) I have been advised that *O.C.G.A* § 50-14-4(b) requires that when any meeting of the Authority is closed in accordance with an exception to the Open Meetings Law that:
 - (i) the specific reason for the closure is to be entered upon the official minutes of the meeting;
 - (ii) the meeting is be closed only upon a majority vote of a quorum present for the meeting;
 - (iii) the minutes are to reflect the names of the members present and those voting for closure; and
 - (iv) the person presiding over the meeting is to execute and file with the official minutes of the meeting a notarized affidavit stating under oath that the subject matter of the meeting or the closed portion thereof was devoted to matters within the exceptions provided by law and identifying the specific relevant exception.
- (3) The subject matter of the closed meeting or closed portion of the meeting held on the 18th day of February, 2016 which was closed for the purpose of:

X DELIBERATION REGARDING ACQUISITION/DISPOSITION OF INTEREST IN REAL ESTATE
(To be spread on minutes upon conclusion of disposition of interest in real estate)

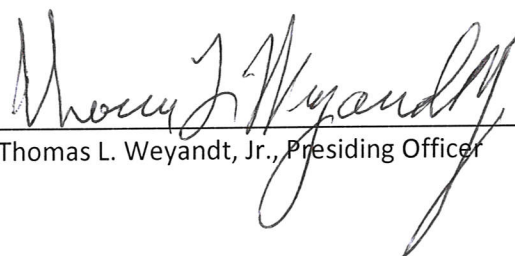
X DELIBERATION REGARDING EXISITING LITIGATION OR OTHER LEGAL MATTERS

ATTORNEY-CLIENT COMMUNICATION

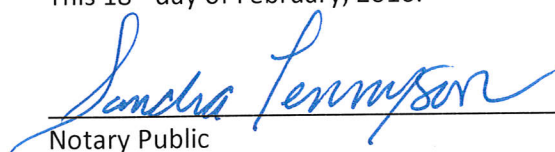
as allowed by *O.C.G. A.*, Title 50, Chapter 14 and was devoted to matters within those exceptions and as provided by law.

- (4) This affidavit is being executed for the purpose of complying with the mandate of *O.C.G.A.* § 50-14-4(b) that such an affidavit be executed.


18th day of February 16, 2016.


Thomas L. Weyandt, Jr., Presiding Officer

Sworn and subscribed before me
This 18th day of February, 2016.


Notary Public (SEAL)

Witnessed:


Witness

*my commission
expires on 4/20/2019*