

McPherson Implementing Local Redevelopment Authority

Board Meeting July 24, 2019

A meeting of the members of the McPherson Implementing Local Redevelopment Authority (Fort Mac LRA) was held on Thursday, July 24, 2019 at 1794 Walker Avenue, SW, Atlanta, GA 30310.

Board Members:

Cassius F. Butts, Chairman Ernestine Garey Sondra Rhoades-Johnson Carmen Chubb Meaghan Shannon-Vlkovic Shuntel Beach Marvin Arrington Liz Hausmann Young Hughley Lisa Smith

Ex-Officio Members:

Atlanta Councilmember Joyce Sheperd, District 11 State House Representative, Park Cannon, District 58 State Representative Nan Orrock, District 36

Staff, Legal Counsel and Others:

Sandra Tennyson, Fort Mac LRA
Pete Hayley, Fort Mac LRA
Robert Mosby, Fort Mac LRA
David Burt, Fort Mac LRA
CeCe Ross, Fort Mac LRA
Mahalia Paul, Fort Mac LRA
Tracey Upshaw, Fort Mac LRA
Peter Andrews, Attorney, Greenberg Traurig
Jonathan Perry, Attorney, Greenberg Traurig
Michael O'Connor, Office of Liz Hausmann, Commissioner, Fulton County
Megan Weiss, Office of Commissioner Russell McMurry, DOT

Guests:

Maggie Lee, Saporta Report
Tyree smith, Artlanta
Nikia Knight, Artlanta
Joseph Hernandez, Artlanta
William Glover, Artlanta
Jill, Artlanta
Jeff Roberson, Artlanta
Scott Trubey, AJC
Maria Saporta, Saporta Report
Howard Franklin, MI
Renee Jackson, Artlanta
Stephen Macauley, Macauley Investment

Announcements and Welcome:

The Chairman called the meeting to order at approximately 1:05 P.M. and thanked everyone for their presence.

Ms. CeCe Ross, Asset & Property Manager, gave the safety briefing, and informed the audience of the location of the exits, restrooms and mentioned that Fort Mac is now equipped with a 1st aid kit and an Automated External Defibrillator.

Approval of Agenda:

The Chairman recommended the approval of the agenda. A motion to approve was properly made and seconded. Approval was unanimous.

Public Comment:

The Chairman invited public comment and an audience member took advantage of the opportunity to speak.

Item:11; Executive Session:

The Chairman asked for a motion to convene to Executive Session and to reconvene to open session to approve and vote on matters before the Board at that time. A motion to approve was properly made and seconded. Approval was unanimous.

The Chairman read the following statement:

"Ladies and Gentlemen:

In accordance with O.C.G.A. Section 50-14-4(B), a quorum of the McPherson Implementing LRA is present and has agreed to enter into executive session by a majority vote. The purpose for the closed section is for members to (1) deliberate regarding the acquisition of interest in real estate, (2) and other legal matters. 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."

After the Chairman read the statement a motion to approve was properly made and seconded. Approval was unanimous.

The Board went into Executive Session for approximately 2hours.

After the Executive Session ended a motion to reopen to the public was properly made and seconded. Approval was unanimous.

The Chairman stated the purpose of the Executive Session was to discuss legal matters real estate matters and personnel matters.

Motion to return to Open Session:

The Chairman asked for a motion to go back into open session. A motion was properly made and seconded. Approval was unanimous.

The Chairman stated that Executive Director, Brian Hooker had submitted a letter of resignation. Board member Ms. Sondra Rhoades-Johnson stated that during the Executive Session a motion was made to approve the resolution and approval of the separation agreement, consistent with the substantial final form attached to the resolution and consistent with the discussion in executive session. A motion to approve was properly made and seconded. Approval was unanimous.

The Chairman also noted for the record that Mr. Brian Hooker's tenure at McPherson Implementing Local Redevelopment Authority (Fort Mac LRA) was appreciated and that his commitment and sincerity to the project did not go unnoticed.

The Chairman announced that a national search will be conducted for an Executive Director, however, during the interim, Mr. Alan Ferguson, Senior VP, Community Development with Invest Atlanta, will be the interim director at McPherson Implementing Local Redevelopment Authority until a permanent replacement is found.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn was properly made and seconded. Approval was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:23pm.

(Signatures follow)

Recorded By:

Sandra Tennyson Executive Assistant

Approved By:

Cassius Butts

Board Chairman

OPEN MEETINGS AFFIDAVIT

PERSONALLY, APPEARED before the undersigned attesting officer, duly authorized to administer oaths, Cassius F. Butts, Chairman, who, after being duly sworn in, deposes and on oath states the following:

- (1) I was the presiding officer of McPherson Implementing Local Redevelopment Authority (the "Authority") held on the 24th day of July 2019.
- (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 24th day of July 2019 which was closed for the purpose of:
- X LEGAL MATTERS
- X DELIBRATION REGARDING REAL ESTATE MATTERS
- X PERSONNEL MATTERS

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

DELIBERATION REGARDING EXISTING LITIGATION OR OTHER LEGAL MATTERS

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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.

This 24th day of July 2019.

Cassius F. Butts, Presiding Officer

Sworn and subscribed before me

This 24th day of Ju1y 2019.

Witnessed:

My Commission It pires on 3/24/2023