



McPherson Implementing Local Redevelopment Authority

**Special Called Meeting
July 6, 2017**

A meeting of the members of the McPherson Implementing Local Redevelopment Authority (Fort Mac LRA) was held on Thursday, July 6, 2017 at 1794 Walker Avenue, SW, Atlanta, GA 30310.

Board Members:

Felker Ward, Jr., Chairman
Richard Holmes, Vice-Chairman
Aaron Watson, Treasurer
Chandra Houston, Secretary
John Akins
Marvin Arrington
Sondra Rhoades-Johnson
Fletcher Thornton
Aaron Watson
Thomas Weyandt

Ex-Officio Members:

Joyce Sheperd, Atlanta City Councilmember

Staff, Legal Counsel and Others:

Brian Hooker, Fort Mac LRA
Sandra Tennyson, Fort Mac LRA
Pete Hayley, Fort Mac LRA
Robert Mosby, Fort Mac LRA
Arthur Mallard, Fort Mac LRA
Peter Andrews, Attorney, Greenberg Traurig
Quinton L. Spann, Representative for Commissioner Russell McMurry, DOT
David Crass, DNR

Guests:

Crawford Schneider, Intern with Denton's Law
Michael Reeves, Adams Commercial
Walter Huntley, Huntley & Associates
Maggie Lee, Saporta Report
Amy Stinson, HL Strategy

The Chairman called the meeting to order at approximately 2:40 P.M.

Announcements and Welcome:

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

Mr. Brian Hooker, Executive Director, provided a safety briefing detailing the locations of exits, fire extinguishers and restrooms in the building. Mr. Hooker also asked Sondra Rhoades-Johnson and Quinton Spann to serve as designated CPR administrators in case of an emergency.

Approval of Agenda:

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

Approval of the Minutes:

The Chairman recommended the approval of the May 11, 2017 Board Minutes. A motion to approve was properly made and seconded. Approval was unanimous.

Public Comment:

No one signed in.

Item: 6: Executive Committee Update:

Mr. Hooker gave a brief summary of the Fort McPherson Strategic Planning report on findings that was gathered by Integrated Public Management Solutions, noting that some of the findings by the consulting group was based on interviews from board members and other redevelopment authorities. They recommended joint venturing with a Master Developer and partnering with a local 501c3 as part of the Authority's overall strategy. A detailed presentation covered the following topics:

- Companion Organizations
- Organizational Structure and Staffing
- Public Development Authority
- Development Responsibilities
- Non-Profit Organization
- Relationship of Companion Organizations
- Engagement Plan
- MILRA's role in the Development
- Meeting MILRA's Funding Needs
- MILRA's Development Strategy

Item: 7: Development Committee Update:

Mr. Thomas Weyandt, Chairman of the Fort Mac LRA Development Committee, gave an update to the board on the Development Committee's meeting held just prior to the Board's meeting. Mr. Weyandt noted the new caretaker contractors would begin July 15, 2017. Mr. Weyandt also mentioned that additional real estate matters were discussed and would be revisited during Executive session.

Item: 9: 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 members of the McPherson Implementing LRA Board is present and has agreed to enter into executive session by a majority vote. 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 1 hour and 38 minutes.

Motion to Return to Open Session:

The Chairman asked for a motion to return to open session. Approval was unanimous.


The Chairman stated that during the Executive Session, multi items related to Real Estate was discussed.

Adjournment:

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at approximately 4:27 P.M.


(signatures follow)

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, Felker Ward, Jr., 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 6th day of July 2017.

- (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 6th day of July 2017 which was closed for the purpose of:

X DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL ESTATE 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

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.

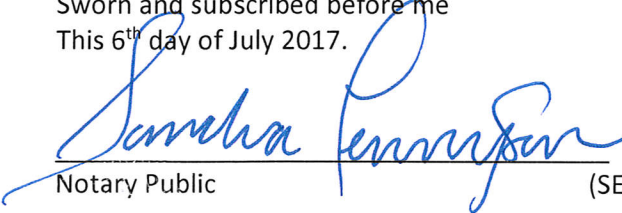
This 6th day of July 2017.



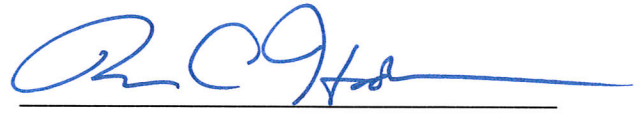
Felker Ward, Jr., Presiding Officer

Sworn and subscribed before me
This 6th day of July 2017.

Witnessed:



Notary Public (SEAL)



Witness

*my commission
expires on 4/20/2019*