



McPherson Implementing Local Redevelopment Authority  
**Community Engagement Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes**  
**November 16, 2022**

A meeting of the Community Engagement Sub-committee of the McPherson Implementing Local Redevelopment Authority (Fort Mac LRA) was held on Wednesday, November 16, 2022 at the office of Fort Mac LRA.

**Committee Members:**

Thomas Calloway, Chairman  
Ricardo Jacobs, Vice Chair, NPU-R  
Ashley Barker- Alternate, Sylvan Hills  
James Harris, Capitol View (X)  
Kate Little-Alternate, NPU-S  
Floyd Porter, NPU-X  
Ruben Burney, Perkerson Neighborhood (X)  
Allison Hathaway, Alternate, Pamona Park (R )  
Tamie Cook, Colonial Hills  
Kyle Lamont, Alternate, Oakland City (S)

**Fort Mac LRA Board:**

N/A

**Fort Mac LRA Staff:**

David Burt, Executive Director, Fort Mac LRA  
Pete Hayley, Fort Mac LRA  
Joyce Allen, Fort Mac LRA

**Partners:**

TPS: Jessica Hardaway, Director Communications & Engagement

**Guests:**

N/A

**Call to Order and Welcome:**

Chairman Calloway called the meeting to order at approximately 5:45P.M. and welcomed everyone.

**Roll Call/Determination of Quorum:**

The Chair requested a roll call, and a quorum was officially pronounced.

**Approval of Agenda:**

The Chair requested a motion to approve the November 16, 2022 agenda. A motion was properly made and seconded. Approval was unanimous.

**Approval of the Minutes:**

The Chair requested a motion to approve the October 26, 2022 Minutes. A motion was properly made and seconded. Approval was unanimous.

**Committee Member Announcements:**

The Chair opened the floor for announcements from members of the subcommittee:

Ashley Barker acknowledged the Metropolitan Library trunk-a-treat that included donations from local businesses with quite a few children in attendance.

Ricardo Jacobs reported that his Veterans Post will give out Thanksgiving baskets in the next week and hold a toy giveaway on the 24<sup>th</sup> of December for the community.

Tamie Cook announced that the East Point Fall Festival will be held on Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at City Hall. See [www.eastpointcity.org](http://www.eastpointcity.org) for additional information.

Kyle Lamont announced that Atlanta Land Trust will break ground for affordable townhomes in Oakland City on December 1<sup>st</sup> at 9:30 a.m. at Tucker Avenue and Lee Street, with another site to be announced later. Community members are invited. He also announced that MARTA is engaging Oakland City concerning a transit-oriented development. MARTA's first community meeting was last Saturday where they began to obtain feedback on the site. He also reported that Murphy Crossing will be attending monthly Oakland City community meetings as the site begins to take form.

Chairman Thomas Calloway announced that he was recently appointed to the East Point Housing Authority Board of Directors, which is also the Fairburn Housing Authority. He reported that the Nelms House, a nine-story building in East Point at Lee and Connally, will be refurbished and house 89 HUD units. In addition, the Hillcrest project on Stanton Road will break ground on phase three, which will add approximately 300 additional housing units for seniors within a mile of Fort Mac.

**Public Comment #1:**

No one signed in.

It was suggested that the agenda be amended to move the Update from Tyler Perry Studios to follow Public Comment #1. A motion was properly made and seconded. Approval was unanimous.

**Update from Tyler Perry Studios:**

Ms. Jessica Hardaway, Director Communications and Engagement, TPS, presented the following report:

- The Perry Foundation partnered with Operation Warm on a gifting event for Finch Elementary. Volunteers from TPS provided 440 brand new winter coats to the entire study body of Finch Elementary School.

**Review – Resource Strategy Document:**

The Chairman opened the floor to CES member James Harris for an interactive presentation of the Resource Strategy Document. He requested that Sub-committee members form groups to focus on updates to four tiers of the document: Safety, Security and Well-being (police presence, surveillance cameras), Economic Development (employment, food desert), Real Estate and Community Needs (Communication, TPS Behind the Wall) and Community and Future Dialogue to determine what is still relevant for today in the 2014 Resource Strategy Document. After robust discussions, a representative from each group presented their findings which will be organized and presented by James Harris at the next CES meeting.

**Update – FMLRA Community Benefits Committee:**

Nothing to report.

**Fort Mac LRA Updates:**

Nothing to report.

**Update - CES Bylaws:**

The Chair recommended a vote on the newly revised CES By-Laws after perusal by Sub-committee members. A motion was properly made to adopt the By-Laws as submitted and seconded. Approval was unanimous. The approved CES By-laws are to be submitted to the FMLRA Board of Directors for their approval at an upcoming meeting.

**New CES Start Time:**

The Chair recommended a vote on the new proposed 5:45 P.M CES start time to begin with the January 2023 meeting. A motion was properly made and seconded. Approval was unanimous.

**Public Comments #2:**

No one signed in.

**Announcements:**

There were no announcements.

**Adjournment:**

The Chairman requested a motion to adjourn. A motion was properly made and seconded. Approval was unanimous. The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:39 P.M.

**(Signatures follow)**

Recorded By:

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Joyce Allen,  
Senior Administrative Assistant

Approved By:

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David Burt,  
Executive Director