



McPherson Implementing Local Redevelopment Authority
Community Engagement Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes
September 28, 2022

A meeting of the Community Engagement Sub-committee of the McPherson Implementing Local Redevelopment Authority (Fort Mac LRA) was held on Wednesday, September 28, 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)
Allean Brown, NPU-S
Michael Frierson, Villages of East Point
Sagirah Jones, Alternate, Capital View (X)
Allison Hathaway, Alternate, Pamona Park (R)

Fort Mac LRA Board:

N/A

Fort Mac LRA Staff:

CeCe Ross, Fort MAC LRA
Joyce Allen, Fort Mac LRA
Sandra Tennyson, Fort Mac LRA
Tracey Upshaw, Fort MAC LRA

Partners:

TPS: Jessica Hardaway, Director Communications & Engagement

Guests:

Stephen Bowch
Tracie Sanchez
Josette Bailey
Kyion Brown

Call to Order and Welcome:

Chairman Calloway called the meeting to order at approximately 5:31P.M. and welcomed everyone. There was no quorum. The Sub-committee asked guests to introduce themselves.

At 5:40 P.M. a quorum was reached and the Chairman proceeded according to the agenda.

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 September 28, 2022 agenda with the deletion of the “Update on Oral History/Public Art Project” and “Fort Mac LRA Update” due to the absence of the presenter. A motion was properly made to approve and accept the changes and seconded. Approval was unanimous. A copy of the approved agenda will be sent to Sub-committee members.

Approval of the Minutes:

The Chair requested a motion to approve minutes from the August 24, 2022 meeting with a request by Ruben Burney to change the name on page 2 under “Committee Member Announcements” from “Antioch Baptist Church Ministries clothing bank” to “Antioch Urban Ministries (a subsidiary of Antioch Baptist Church North). A motion was properly made to approve and accept the changes and seconded. Approval was unanimous. A copy of the approved agenda will be sent to Sub-committee members.

Committee Member Announcements:

No announcements were offered.

Public Comment:

No one signed in.

Update on October Fashion Show:

The Chair recognized Tracey Upshaw, Fort Mac LRA who commented on the upcoming Fashion Show sponsored by Fort Mac LRA and Ms. Kymm of Young Talent Experience Xpo, Inc. which will be held on October 22, 2022. Ms. Kymm stated that this will be a family event which will include fashion, clean comedy and dance. Models will showcase urban wear and today’s fashions from local clothing stores and boutiques. There will be a model call on Sunday, October 16, 2022 at the office of FMLRA for those interested in participating. Flyers will be made available to CES members to share with the community. Times for both events to be confirmed.

Update – FMLRA Community Benefits Committee:

No update to report.

Update on Oral History/Public Art Project:

The Chair announced Althea Brown would give an update, however, in the absence of David Burt this item was deleted from the agenda earlier in the meeting. The Chairman asked for a vote from the Sub-committee to have this item reinstated. A motion was properly made to approve and accept the addition and seconded. Approval was unanimous.

Ms. Althea Brown, Project Creator for the Oral History/Public Art Project funded by Elevate, gave a brief overview of the project. She stated that project participants shared their personal history and experiences while at Fort McPherson through interviews with Ms. Brown who had their pictures turned into large color posters and displayed on the outer walls of the property with QR codes which allow viewers to hear their stories via video. The posters are displayed on the wall along the fence at the main Lee Street entrance to Fort Mac as well as on the gate at the Campbellton Road entrance. An opening ceremony replete with an oral history of Fort Mac presented by Ms. Brown was held on Saturday, September 24, 2022. The exhibit will run through October 9, 2022. The public is invited to tour the project and enjoy the colorful history of Fort McPherson.

Update from Tyler Perry Studios:

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

- TPS currently has a job opening for a Grounds Laborer position.
- TPS donated and delivered much needed items to Atlanta Fire Stations 14 and 5. Examples of the items that were donated included: recliners, reclining sofas, chairs, desks, fans, lamps and an air compressor.

Public Comments:

No one signed in.

Announcements:

The Chair opened the floor to closing comments from the Sub-Committee:

-Sagirah Jones – Community is offering education for different ways to understand community-based development and financial literacy free and open to the public. Register at www.capitalview.org/development.

Adjournment:

The Vice Chairman requested a motion to adjourn. A motion was properly made and seconded. Approval was unanimous. The meeting adjourned at approximately 6:21 P.M.

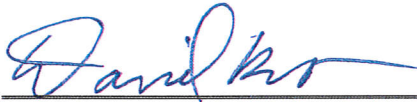
(Signatures follow)

Recorded By:



Joyce Allen,
Senior Administrative Assistant

Approved By:



David Burt,
Executive Director