

Regular Board Meeting Minutes:

Wednesday August 28, 2019

Heritage Square Hall, 731 South A St. Oxnard, CA 93030

1. Call to Order

- **a.** Chairman Vince Behrens called the meeting to order at 5:40 p.m.
- **b.** Directors present: Ozzie Lopez, Janie Lai, Cathi Comras, Fernando Garcia, and Tiffany Lopez. Quorum met.
- **c.** City: Jeffrey Lambert, Community Development Director, Rosie Ornelas, Economic Community Developer
- d. Staff: Abel Magana and Amber Garcia.

2. Public Comments

- a. Robert Garcia- Would like to make improvements to the downtown area behind Tomas Café. Map handed out to board members, would like to have the board involved to contribute any ideas.
- b. Stanley Moorman Would like to have cameras installed throughout the downtown. Already spoke with Officer Ken Tougas and estimated that for \$48,000 we could have a total of 160 cameras and proposes to use grant money for purchase.

3. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting July 24, 2019:

 Motion to approve minutes made by O. Lopez; Seconded by T. Lopez. Motion Passed.

4. Financial Report for the period ending July 31, 2019:

 Motion to receive & file financial report made by O. Lopez; Seconded by T. Lopez. Motion Passed.

5. Board Elections:

- a. Recommendation: Conduct a vote on the following candidates for re-election:
 - Tiffany Lopez- Motion to approve made by O. Lopez and seconded by Madrigal
 - Fernando Garcia- Motion to approve made by T. Lopez and seconded by Madrigal

6. Downtown Improvement Settlement Fund (DISF):

 a. <u>Recommendation</u>: Provide input on District priorities identified by the Executive Committee to recommend to the City Council for DISF investment.
A written report was distributed outlining more than a dozen requested capital improvements and programs including a façade grant, Boulevard enhancements, parking structure lighting, etc. Lambert commented that there was some overlap in the recommendations with what City staff has been discussing.

7. Community Development Update:

a. Jeffrey Lambert- The City is working on Broadband Policy to be presented to Council early Fall for recommendations on how to deliver high speed internet to our community and prioritizing geographic areas that will go first. The planning commission has ruled to also include the downtown as a location for cannabis retail.

8. Committee & Staff Reports:

a. E. Marquez- Earlier this month I was assaulted by a homeless man with a knife and cops were called and the man was arrested. Power outlets on 3rd and 4th street the

homeless have plugged into them to charge their phones and set up their camp there. Would like the downtown to turn off the power to those outlets. Has been an increase in building break-ins and broken windows, recommend lighting to avoid vagrancy at night.

Board Comments:

- **a.** Lai- Does not want marijuana shops in the downtown because of the type of people it attracts.
- **b.** Comras- Agrees with J. Lai on not having marijuana shops in the downtown and would like this to be on an agenda for further discussion. Also would like to establish a committee to discuss the settlement money.
- **c.** O. Lopez- Happy with what is happening in the downtown.
- 9. Adjournment: 7:12 PM

Minutes compiled by Amber Garcia