

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
SOUTH GRAND COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
August 13, 2020**

ATTENDANCE

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Rachel Presley, Christopher Shearman, Noy Liam, Matt Ghio, Natasha Bahrami, Tim Boyle, and David McCreery, and **STAFF:** Rachel Witt **ABSENT:** Lorenzo Andrade, David Bailey, and Phil Benoist

1. Call to Order: Ms. Presley called the meeting to order at 1:05pm

2. Minutes & Executive Director's Report: Ms. Presley moved to approve the minutes for June 11, 2020 and the Executive Director's report. Mr. Liam seconded the motion. The board approved the minutes & Executive Director's report.

3. Treasurer's Report: Ms. Witt reported as of July 31, 2020 \$286,569.40 in accounts. One outstanding assessment owed in the amount of \$13,595.26. Brokerage transfer will occur in the next two months. Fiscal year ended with \$8,000 less in revenue from sales tax compared to previous fiscal year. Fiscal year end remained under budget by \$2200 due to cuts in the budget from the pandemic. Such cuts were: security camera grant program, LEDS, fountain activation, irrigation activation delayed and cancellation of events. Mr. McCreery moved to approve the treasurer's report. Ms. Presley seconded the motion. The board approved the treasurer's report.

4. Administration

A. CPI Vote: Mr. Liam moved to approve the increase of 2% CPI rate for next collection of assessments from the property owners.

B. SUD/Sign Overlay Status: Mr. Shearman will reach out to Don Roe and Mary Hart Burton to display concern on why drafting these two ordinances are taking more than two years. Ms. Witt will also be reaching out to the Alderwomen after first attempt directly to the planning and zoning departments.

C. Expansion of CID Status: Mr. Boyle and Ms. Presley will reach out to the owners of the Saum and Hutcherson Arms with rates of the expanded area as well as the current district assessment rates. Ms. Presley will try to get a meeting with the investors to discuss the expansion.

5. Public Safety

A. Mental Health Issues on South Grand: increase in mental health/homeless on South Grand. Ms. Witt will be meeting with Human Services on Wednesday to discuss the issues.

B. Increase Accidents and Damages: Ms. Witt reached out to the Captains, Alderwomen, Streets Department in regards to the high number of accidents and damages. Two trash cans had to be ordered costing \$2600. Traffic study is being conducted South of the district to Chippewa. Hopefully, a road diet will continue to Chippewa. Resurfacing and striping of South Grand will hopefully be done in 2021 which can help with the speeding with the restriping and continued road diet.

5. Capital Improvements

A. House Next to the Vine: Mr. Moshen owner of the property would like to tear down and build a commercial building. He would like the SGCID board support. The board discussed that they are open to a tear down but would like to see renderings first and must fit with the historical nature of the district. Ideally it would be best to see both houses torn down to build one large building. Ms. Witt and Mr. Shearman will schedule a time to talk with Mr. Moshen to get a better plan and timeline of his project. They will report back to the board.

B. Pawn Shop: have been sited by building division. The owner has been working to make the needed repairs. It would be best if we can find a buyer to truly rehab the building to better standards.

6. Other Matter to come Before the Board

Increase Morale: The board discussed ways we can boost moral during the pandemic. Ms. Witt suggested commissioning local artists to chalk an area in the district once a week. Ms. Witt will reach out to the Chalk Walk Committee for assistance.

7. Adjournment There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:20PM

Respectfully submitted,

Matt Ghio
Secretary
South Grand CID