

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
SOUTH GRAND COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT  
August 11, 2022**

ATTENDANCE

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** JoJo Prapaisilapa, Phil Benoist, David Bailey, David McCreery, Tim Boyle, Matt Ghio, Rachel Presley, and Natasha Bahrami, **STAFF:** Rachel Witt **ABSENT:** Bay Tran and Lorenzo Andrade **GUEST:** Richard Dixon, and Yusef Scoggin, MD

**1. Call to Order:** Ms. Bahrami called the meeting to order at 11:10pm

**2. Minutes & Executive Director's Report:** Ms. Presley moved to approve the minutes for June 9, 2022, and the Executive Director's report. Mr. Ghio seconded the motion. The board approved the minutes and Executive Director's report.

**3. Treasurer's Report:** Ms. Witt reported the balance sheet as of July 31, 2022, is \$386,782.37. Sales tax collection for the fiscal year was up 27% higher compared to this time last year. 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 rate:** Mr. McCreery moved to approve an increase of 2% CPI rate for the assessment collection. Ms. Presley seconded the motion. The board approved the increase of 2%.

**B. Ritz Park loan:** The South Grand CID has an option to purchase the land of the Ritz Park. Ms. Bahrami moved to purchase the land. Ms. Presley seconded the motion. The board approved Mr. Ghio and Ms. Witt to send a letter to the Treasurer's office to change the terms of the loan.

**C. APA Conference:** Ms. Witt asked for approval to attend the APA MO State Conference, October 5-7, 2022, downtown Saint Louis. Ms. Presley moved to approve the \$219. Ms. Bahrami seconded the motion. The board approved her request of \$219.

**5. Public Safety**

**A. Unhoused:** Dr. Scoggin reported the Department of Human Services is working on hiring up to 12 social workers. At this time, they have hired 4. They are working on creating a map on the locations of the unhoused as well as to assess their needs. BHR and BJC has a partnership with the Department of Human Services. South Grand's concerns with the unhoused need to be addressed by the SLMPD not by social workers per Dr. Scoggin. Mr. Dixon will be coming to South Grand on a weekly basis to talk with the unhoused but cannot make them get the assistance they need.

**B. Reckless Driving:** The South Grand CID Board want to know what can be done to increase enforcement and hiring of additional officers.

**6. Maintenance**

**A. Uplighting Quotes:** Ms. Witt found a product that works within the budget. She will request a sample for the board and H2Lgt to examine.

**B. Project Clear Grant:** South Grand is eligible to apply for the project clear grant to replace the pervious concrete with pavers. Ms. Witt is in the process of getting a quote to see how much MSD can cover.

**7. Economic Development**

**A. Social Media Consultant:** Jasper Paul PR has been hired from August-December which fits within our budget to assist Ms. Witt with the events and business promotion.

**B. Shade Structure:** Ms. Witt was able to get an affordable quote from Shade Guard. She is waiting for the full rendering to encompass the "stage" area, so performers are covered as well.

**C. TAP ULI for South Grand:** The Technical Assistance Panel is underway. September 8-9, 2022, to study the South Grand Parking lot, Rooster South Grand back lot and Jay International entire parcel.

**8. Adjournment** There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:10PM

Respectfully submitted,

Rachel Witt, Executive Director, South Grand CID