



**Uptown Dallas, Inc. Board Meeting  
Thursday, August 15, 2024 | 8:30 AM  
A.B.O.G. – 2727 Laclede**

**Members in attendance:** Michael Alost, John Armstrong, Aaron Bidne, Kevin Butkus, Kelem Butts, Phil Cobb, De’On Collins, Judy Hearst, Kevin Hickman, Wade Johns, Noelle LeVeaux, Ramsey March, Paula Nemec, Tony Page, Jud Pankey, Paula Peters, Joseph Pitchford, Sharon Quist, Neal Sleeper, Seth Thatcher, Cheryl Thompson, Whit Thompson, Mike Turner, Bill Weinberg, Robert Wright. Katy Slade provided her voting proxy to Kevin Hickman and Kevin Welsch provided his voting proxy to Kevin Hickman.

**Other parties in attendance:** Larry Gordon, Larry McCoy, Natalie Nieves-Guerrero, Councilmember Paul Ridley, Jamee Jolly, Chuck DelTufo, Megan Mummaw, Bailey Criado, and Sophia Morgan.

**Members absent:** Joel Behrens, James Blanton, Chris Cleghorn, Iman Cole-Harris, Buddy Cramer, Corbin Eckel, Tara Green, Pasha Heidari, Yolanda Lawson, Adam Maciak, Ryan McManigal, John Murray, Kyle Noonan, Melayne Packer, Zachary Porter, Elliot Prieur, Chase Prospere, Pretlow Riddick, Scott Sherwood, Katy Slade, Lily Smith, Melissa Swope, Kevin Welsch, Amy Young, Shan Zaidi.

**Call to Order –** Ramsey March called the meeting to order at 8:33am.

**Minutes –** Sharon Quist motioned to approve the June meeting minutes. Cheryl Thompson seconded the motion. Motion unanimously approved.

**Chairman’s Report -** Ramsey March, Uptown Dallas Inc (“UDI”) Chairman of the Board of Directors (“the Board”), welcomed the group.

**Action Item: Ramsey gave an update on the Strategic Plan. Kevin Hickman motioned to move forward with a Starkey Strategies Strategic Plan for UDI. Michael Alost seconded the motion. With 17 board members in approval, the motion passes (including proxy votes).**

Ramsey reported on the 2023 Form 990 to file. Jamee will circulate the form to the board for review.

**President’s Report -** Jamee Jolly, UDI President & Executive Director, reported on the Dashboard for Success.

#### **Committee Action Items & Reports**

**Finance Committee –** Michael Alost, UDI Finance Chair, presented the July financial statements. Joseph Pitchford motioned to approve the financials. Phil Cobb seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**Renewal Committee** – Joseph Pitchford, UDI Renewal Chair, reported on the status of the 2026 renewal and asked for more board member participation.

**Public Realm & Capital Improvements** – Tony Page, UDI Public Realm & Capital Improvements Chair, reported on the digital kiosk discussion held on August 15<sup>th</sup> at 6pm and asked for board members to attend.

**Two-Way Conversion Committee** – Neal Sleeper, UDI Two-Way Conversion Chair, reported on the progress of the Two-Way Conversion project.

**Public Safety** - Kelem Butts, UDI Public Safety Chair, and Chuck DeTufo, UDI Public Safety Director, reported on the potential for the creation of a store front “Command Center” for the UDI security team and off duty officers. They will bring back more information about capital costs.

**Governance Committee** – Bill Weinberg, UDI Governance Chair, reported on the status of the Bylaw updates. Bill asked that board members review and provide feedback.

**MATA Committee** – Phil Cobb reminded the board of the upcoming event on October 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Stakeholder Discussion** – City Councilman Paul Ridley updated the board on upcoming city hall events.

**Ramsey March adjourned the meeting at 10:11 am.**