

# Board of Directors Meeting Thursday, August 18 | 8:30 AM Park District Dallas

Board Members in attendance: Michael Alost, Kelem Butts, Bob Edmonson, John Armstrong, Paula Nemec, Paula Peters, Phil Cobb, Zac Porter, Noelle LeVeaux, Kevin Hickman, Tony Page, Joseph Pitchford, Yolanda Lawson, Michael Schakman, Joel Behrens, Scott Sherwood, Seth Thatcher, Michael Salcher

Additional parties in attendance: Kathy Stewart *staff*, Anita Simmons *staff*, Chuck DelTufo *staff*, Bailey Sanders *staff*, Maria Chagallon *City of Dallas*, Larry McCoy, Councilmember Paul Ridley

Board members not in attendance: John Ackerman, Mark Johnson, Boots Reeder, Buddy Cramer, Jon King, Phil Puckett, Matt Segrest, Jud Pankey, Elliot Prieur, Matt Enzler, Mark Dickenson, Ramsey March, Robert Bagwell, Will Hendrickson, Keith Hull, Melissa Swope, Kyle Noonan, Judy Hearst, Bob Edmonson, Ken Reese, Pasha Heidari, Greg Kraus, Neal Sleeper, Robert Wright, Cheryl Thompson, Mike Turner, Katy Slade

#### Call to Order

Meeting was called to order at 8:37 AM.

## **Katy Trail Presentation – Amy Bean**

#### **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

Kelem Butts motioned to approve the previous meeting minutes with an edit to the attendance and the date of the Trolley Taste of Uptown. Joseph Pitchford seconded the motion. Motion unanimously approved by Michael Alost, Kelem Butts, Bob Edmonson, John Armstrong, Paula Nemec, Paula Peters, Phil Cobb, Zac Porter, Noelle LeVeaux, Kevin Hickman, Tony Page, Joseph Pitchford, Yolanda Lawson, Michael Schakman, Joel Behrens, Scott Sherwood, Seth Thatcher, Michael Salcher.

## **Treasurer's Report**

Michael Alost, Uptown Dallas, Inc. ("UDI") Treasurer, reviewed the current financial status. UDI staff have submitted the service plan presented at the previous meeting to city council. Budgeting season will be starting soon.

# **Chairman's Report**

Kevin Hickman, UDI Chairman of the Board of Directors ("the Board"), updated the Board on the recent meeting between DDI, DART, COG, TREK, the City of Dallas, as well as others, about parking and the modern street car lines.

### **Executive Director's Report**

Kathy Stewart shared the estimated assessment income for 2023. Kathy, Anita, and Michael met with John Jenkins from the parks department.

### **Committee Reports**

- Marketing, Outreach and Placemaking Committee
  - Noelle LeVeaux, UDI Marketing Chair, updated the Board on a new mural in partnership with the FBI on Cedar Springs. The new historical markers are being manufactured and will be installed this year! September is full of events including the Block Party, Happy Hour, and Movies in the Park.
- Maintenance Committee
  - John Armstrong, UDI Maintenance Chair, reported on the current maintenance initiatives. John and Michael are currently working with vendors to budget for 2023.
- McKinney Avenue Transit Authority ("MATA") Committee
  - o Taste of the Trolley will be on October 20 at the FIG.
- Public Realm and Capital Improvements Committee
  - Joseph Pitchford, Public Realm and Capital Improvements Chair reported that the second quarterly meeting of the committee was on July 27. The committee is focused on identifying a project to commit the reminder of their budget towards. These projects could include Trolley stop updates and Vision Zero. The committee has invited Jeff Speck to analyze Uptown and present a lecture on September 12.
- Public Safety Committee

Meeting was adjourned at 10:04 AM.

Submitted by Bailey Sanders

- Kelem Butts, Public Safety Committee Chair, updated the Board on the current crime statistics – overall crime is up. Property crime and burglaries have increased. The public safety team continues to address the increase in theft with DPD and Tier One.
- Two Way Conversion Committee
  - Kevin Hickman gave an update on the status of the Two-Way Conversion of McKinney and Cole.

#### **Stakeholder Update**

- Councilmember Paul Ridley updated the Board on the status of the SUP Overlay.
- Larry McCoy updated the Board on the new fountain in Klyde Warren Park.
