

**DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF CLAYTON COUNTY,
REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF CLAYTON COUNTY,
AND
URBAN REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF CLAYTON COUNTY**

**POST-MEETING SUMMARY
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2021**

The regular session meeting of the Development Authority of Clayton County, Redevelopment Authority of Clayton County, and Urban Redevelopment Agency of Clayton County was held on Tuesday, September 14, 2021, at 6:00 p.m., in the Lake City Community Center, 5471 Jonesboro Road, Lake City, Georgia.

Members present at the meeting were Regina Deloach, Chair; Herman Andrews, Vice-Chair; Randy Burton, Secretary/Treasurer; Mark Christmas, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer; Emma Godbee; Larry Vincent; and Michelle Fuqua. Also present were Authority counsel, M. Michelle Youngblood; Bruce McCall, Miller & Martin; and Katie Faustini and Heather Rector, Brookfield.

Call to Order and Welcome of Guests

Chair Deloach called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and welcomed the guests. She called on Mark Christmas for the invocation.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Approval of Agenda

Chair Deloach presented the agenda and inquired as to whether there were any additions, changes, or deletions. She asked to add one item under New Business: Arts Clayton sponsorship. After a general discussion, the agenda was approved as amended. Motion by Mark Christmas, seconded by Emma Godbee, vote unanimous.

2. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the July 13, 2021 regular and executive session meetings were presented. The minutes were approved as presented. Motion by Randy Burton, seconded by Herman Andrews; vote unanimous.

3. Approval of Treasurer's Report

Treasurer Burton reviewed the financial statements. Upon motion by Mark Christmas, seconded by Herman Andrews, the Treasurer's report was approved. Vote unanimous.

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4. Invest Clayton Project Report

Director Vincent reported that his office continues to work on 26 projects with a total capital expenditure of approximately \$2 billion, and approximately 15,000 new jobs. He reported that the electronic billboard on I-75 at Highway 54 generates approximately 39,000 views per month, and the Invest Clayton website is getting approximately 3,500 hits per month. There are over 900 jobs listed on the website. Director Vincent reported that his office also is working on business retention and expansion, focusing on the top 20 employers in the County.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Clayton Works

Chair Deloach called on Business Development Manager Sydney-Alyce Bourget for a presentation. Ms. Bourget reported that unemployment in Clayton County was down from 7.5% in June to 5.5% in July. She reported that the presentation on Workforce Development made to the Board of Commissioners on August 10 was well-received, with positive feedback from both the Commissioners and the community. There are two more job fairs, one held August 20 in Morrow, and one on September 24 in Riverdale. She presented a great testimonial from an individual who attended the last job fair, got a job, and now has returned to the job fair as a recruiter for his new employer. Ms. Bourget reported that the Workforce website should be live next month. She also reported that they have started a Jobseeker newsletter, which has been sent out to all jobseekers in their database.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Rock Hill Project

Chair Deloach called on Authority counsel for a report. Ms. Youngblood reported that the Authority issued bonds for this project last year, and construction is almost complete. The developer now desires to sell the project, so there are two matters for consideration by the Authority. The first is approval of an assignment of all of the bond documents. The assignee would step into the shoes of the developer, taking on all of the duties and obligations under the bond documents. The second is an amendment to section 9.3 of the lease agreement. She introduced Katie Faustini and Heather Rector with Brookfield, the assignee. Ms. Faustini gave a brief presentation to introduce the Board to Brookfield. She reported that they anticipate three (3) tenants in the facility, with approximately 65-70 jobs. After a general discussion, upon motion by Larry Vincent, seconded by Mark Christmas, it was unanimously resolved to approve the lease amendment and the assignment of bond and other documents, and to authorize the officers to execute and deliver the same.

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2. Sponsorship Request: Arts Clayton Arté Gras

Chair Deloach reported that Arts Clayton's annual Arte Gras fundraiser is this Saturday. She asked the Board to consider sponsoring the event at the \$2,500.00 level. Director Vincent reported that the State looks at amenities like Arts Clayton available in the community in connection with RFIs. After a general discussion, upon motion by Mark Christmas, seconded by Emma Godbee, it was unanimously resolved to sponsor the event at the \$2,500.00 level.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Executive Session

There was no executive session.

2. Consideration of Items Following Executive Session

There were no matters to consider.

Chair Deloach inquired as to whether there was any additional business to come before the Board. There being no further business to come before the Authority, the meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m. Motion by Mark Christmas, seconded by Randy Burton, vote unanimous.

Randy Burton, Secretary/Treasurer

Mark Christmas, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer