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

## POST-MEETING SUMMARY TUESDAY, AUGUST 11, 2020

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, August 11, 2020, 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; Jean-Claude Bourget, Secretary/Treasurer (by telephone); Sylvester Ford, Assistant Secretary/Treasurer; Deborah Green; Larry Vincent; Michelle Fuqua (by telephone); and Randy Burton. Also present were Authority counsel, M. Michelle Youngblood (by telephone); Erica Rocker-Wills; and members of the public.

#### Call to Order and Welcome of Guests

Chair Deloach called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and welcomed the guests.

#### 1. Approval of Agenda

Chair Deloach presented the agenda and inquired as to whether there were any additions, changes, or deletions. There was a request to add a sponsorship request from the Southern Crescent Women in Business. The agenda was approved as amended. Motion by Sylvester Ford, seconded by Larry Vincent, vote unanimous.

#### 2. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the July 14, 2020 regular session were presented. The regular session minutes were approved as presented. Motion by Larry Vincent, seconded by Regina Deloach, vote unanimous. The minutes of the July 14, 2020 executive session were presented. The executive session minutes were approved as presented. Motion by Jean-Claude Bourget, seconded by Deborah Green, vote unanimous. Approval of the minutes of the July 28, 2020 special called meeting was tabled until the next meeting.

#### 3. Approval of Treasurer's Report

Herman Andrews presented the Treasurer's report. He reported that the Authority's operating account opened the month with a beginning balance of \$4,985,620.89 and ended the month with a closing balance of \$4,951,415.00. The Treasurer's report was approved. Motion by Larry Vincent, seconded by Regina Deloach, vote unanimous.

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### 4. Project Report

Outgoing Interim Executive Director Erica Rocker-Wills reported that the FinTech Symposium at Clayton State University has been postponed until 2021. The Lidl grocery store opened in Jonesboro; this is a project for which the Authority issued bonds. She provided a recruitment package to Tesla Automotive and site information to five other prospects. There was a reception to bid farewell to outgoing interim Chamber President Page Estes and to welcome the new Chamber President, Valencia Williamson. Work continues on Census 2020, including preparations for Census Day in Clayton County.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

## 5. Census 2020 Update

Herman Andrews reported that Clayton County is currently at 56% response rate, which is lower than the response rate at this time in the 2010 (57%). The state is at 63% response rate. The deadline originally was October 31, but now has been pushed up to September 30, 2020. The County receives funding based on number of residents, approximately \$6.7 million over 10 years, so it is vital that everyone responds to the census and do everything possible to encourage other residents to respond. Chairman Turner has prepared a video to encourage residents to respond. Commissioner Franklin Warner includes a reminder in all of her newsletters. Churches are being asked to make reminder announcements in services. Other initiatives are in the works to encourage residents to respond.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

## 6. Southern Crescent Women in Business

Chair Deloach called on Sylvester Ford to discuss a sponsorship request from Southern Crescent Women in Business. After a general discussion, the Authority tabled the matter to allow Chair Deloach to discuss the matter with the Finance Committee. Motion by Herman Andrews, seconded by Larry Vincent. Vote 6-0-2 (Sylvester Ford, Randy Burton opposed).

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### **OTHER BUSINESS**

## 1. Executive Session

Chair Deloach noted that there was a need for an executive session to discuss personnel matters. Upon motion by Herman Andrews, seconded by Larry Vincent, it was unanimously resolved to adjourn into executive session for the purpose of discussing personnel matters.

Whereupon, the meeting adjourned into executive session at 6:40 p.m.

The open meeting reconvened at 7:23 p.m.

## 2. Consideration of Items, if any, Discussed in Executive Session

Upon motion by Herman Andrews, seconded by Randy Burton, it was unanimously resolved to compensate Erica Rocker-Wills for her service as interim Executive Director from February 11, 2020 – July 28, 2020 in the amount of an additional \$12,000.00.

Ms. Rocker-Wills addressed the Board, expressing her belief that compensation in the amount of \$15,000.00 would be more commensurate with the additional duties she performed as Interim Executive Director. Chair Deloach will discuss the matter with the Finance Committee.

Chair Deloach inquired as to whether there was any additional business to come before the Board. There being none, the meeting adjourned at 7:37 p.m. Motion by Regina Deloach, seconded by Sylvester Ford, vote unanimous.

Jean-Claude Bourget, Secretary/Treasurer