

AUSTIN CENTER JEDD  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
April 27, 2021 – 3:30 P.M.  
MINUTES

**Call to Order**

Vice Chair Steve Naas called the Austin Center JEDD meeting to order at 3:32 p.m., via Zoom. The following members of the board were present:

**Present:**

Steve Naas  
Jennifer Johns  
Greg Shackelford  
Chris Snyder

Nick Endsley, Sebaly Shillito + Dyer; Dan Mayberry and Erica Priest, Miami Township; were in attendance.

The board excused Crystal Corbin.

**Approval of Minutes**

Nick Endsley advised there was a revision to the minutes from March 23, 2021. Mr. Endsley advised the revision is on page 4, paragraph 3. Greg Shackelford motioned to accept and approve the March 23, 2021 meeting minutes as amended and approve the February 9, 2021 meeting minutes. Chris Snyder seconded the motion. Mr. Naas aye, Mr. Johns aye, Ms. Snyder aye, and Mr. Shackelford aye.

**Treasurer's Report**

Jennifer Johns presented the treasurer's report, including the revenues, expenditures and fund balances. Ms. Johns reported income tax collections are up 7 percent, while hotel/motel tax collections are down around 52 percent over last year. Ms. Johns advised April's hotel/motel tax collection was \$5,000 higher than March collections and believes this is promising. Ms. Johns further advised operating expenses are down 6 percent from 2020.

Ms. Johns stated there was just over \$1 million in the bank and she will work to get the minimum distributions of \$300,000 out to the jurisdictions.

Mr. Naas asked if Ms. Johns could do a comparison on the hotel/motel taxes from 2019 to this year to show pre-covid numbers compared to post-covid numbers and Ms. Johns advised she will work on it.

Mr. Snyder asked if April of 2021 was close to April of 2019 and Ms. Johns advised collections were \$18,791 in 2019, and the collections for April of 2021 were \$5,000 less, but the collections are going up.

Chris Snyder motioned to approve the treasurer's report. Greg Shackelford seconded the motion. Mr. Naas, aye, Ms. Johns aye, Mr. Snyder aye, and Mr. Shackelford, aye.

**Discuss an Economic Development Grant Agreement**

Chris Snyder presented a formal agreement and advised it reiterated the previous discussion the board had to give \$10,000 to Austin Landing North for EV charging stations. Mr. Snyder stated the agreement states they must meet the OEPA requirements before they can be reimbursed by the JEDD, as well as clauses for records retention.

Mr. Endsley commented the agreement is straight forward and stated the project must be completed by the end of the year.

Mr. Naas clarified there have not been any changes to the scope of the project, and Mr. Snyder advised there have not.

Jennifer Johns motioned to approve the form of the agreement and authorize the Chair, Crystal Corbin, to negotiate and execute this agreement on terms approved by Ms. Corbin, provided general counsel determines any changes are not materially averse to the JEDD. Greg Shackelford seconded. Mr. Naas aye, Ms. Johns aye, Mr. Snyder aye, and Mr. Shackelford aye.

**Issues from Around the Table**

Mr. Snyder noted Austin Landing did have an electric vehicle event over the weekend at the parking deck where the new EV stations will be.

Mr. Mayberry advised contractors have completed spring start up work, and the intergovernmental and maintenance agreements have been executed.

Ms. Priest reminded the board to sign and email their conflict-of-interest statements back to her at their earliest convenience.

**Public Comments**

None

**Next Meeting Date**

The next meeting is Tuesday, June 8, 2021, at 3:30 p.m. – Records Commission meeting to follow.

**Next Agenda Items**

None

**Adjourn**

Mr. Naas adjourned the meeting at 3:49 p.m.