McPherson Implementing Local Redevelopment Authority

Executive Committee Board of Directors Meeting July 30, 2015

A meeting of the MILRA's Executive Committee was held on Thursday, July 30, 2015 at 1794 Walker Ave. Atlanta, GA 30310.

Board Members:

Felker Ward, Jr., Chairman Richard Holmes, Vice Chair Chandra Houston, Secretary Kenneth DeLeon Thomas Weyandt

Staff, Legal Counsel and Others:

Brian Hooker, MILRA Sandra Tennyson. MILRA James McCormick, MILRA Peter Andrews, Attorney, Greenberg Traurig Kevin Johnson, Invest Atlanta

Ex-Officio:

Joyce Sheperd, Atlanta City Councilmember

Guests:

Deanna Murphy, Sizemore Group
Michael Randall, Safeguard Security Solutions
Bruce Gunter, PRI
Javier Brown, GA State Senate
Tommie Jones, VEO
Ashley T. Torrence, The Collaborate Firm
Mark A. Brailsford, MBG Integrated Solutions
Amy Stinson, HL Strategy
Bill deSt.Aubin, Sizemore Group
Allean Brown-NPU-S-CES

Chairman Ward called the MILRA meeting to order at approximately 1:05 PM

Announcements and Welcome:

The Chairman thanked the audience for their continued support and welcomed them to the meeting. The Chairman recognized that a quorum was not yet in place and preceded with items on the agenda until a quorum was in present.

Item No. 3: Executive Director's Report:

Brian Hooker, the Executive Director gave an update to the MILRA Board were he stated that we are now able to focus on the future of the property and the revitalization of the surrounding community. Mr. Hooker stated that with the ownership of the 145 acres attached with that comes many benefits and responsibilities and of immediate concern is property management and public safety and as a property owner we now have greater assets and financial resources and we are now actively pursuing revenue opportunities.

Mr. Hooker also gave a brief update on some of the many tasks and request that he has recently completed or been involved with for example:

- Providing open record requests to the AJC relating to the closing of the sale of Fort McPherson.
- Meeting with the Campbellton Road Tax Allocation District.
- Final stage of selecting a consultant team to manage the LCI study.
- Councilmember and he met with the new plant manager Jairo de Jesus of Mondelez bakery.
- And that four board members along with him and two other staff members attended the Association of Defense Communities conference in Washington, D.C., last month.

A detailed handout was provided for each board member for their perusal.

Approval of Agenda:

Confirming that a quorum was now present the Chairman recommended the approval of the agenda. Richard Holmes made a motion to approve and it was seconded by Chandra Houston. Approval was unanimous.

Item No. 4: Mission, Vision and Goals Discussion:

Mr. Hooker gave a brief yet thorough review to the board accompanied with a PowerPoint Presentation that listed a favorite and proposed statement for the Vision and Mission statement. Mr. Hooker stated that he would like for the board to be prepared to vote on the Mission and Vision Statement at the MILRA Board's August 18th meeting.

Mr. Hooker also recapped on six strategic goals which are briefly noted below:

- 1. To bring a broader spectrum of jobs, wages & capital investment.
- 2. Increase the desirability of the Fort McPherson property.
- 3. Craft our story to connect to the history of Fort McPherson.
- 4. Connect with our partners & leverage their resources to uplift the community.
- 5. Honor and uphold our commitments to our community and government.
- 6. Build a robust organizational structure of processes and people to performance excellence.

Mr. Thomas Weyandt made a motion to take to the Board a revised Vision statement with the minor change of the word "reconnect" in the Proposed Vision statement to "connects". Mr. Richard Holmes made a motion to approve and it was seconded by Ms. Chandra Houston. Approval was unanimous.

Item No. 5: Property Update:

Mr. James McCormick, stated that with the transfer of property from the Army to MILRA, we (MILRA) are now responsible for the maintenance of the property with some shared responsibility with TPS. Mr. McCormick stated that MILRA has signed a one year contract with TIKIGAQ with an option to opt out in six (6) months without being penalized with the ultimate goal for a caretaker of the 145 acres maintained by MILRA to be contracted with a local landscaping company.

Mr. McCormick, had prepared and briefed the Board on the detailed breakdown of the Caretaker Contract between MILRA and TIKIGAQ it was self-explanatory and a copy was enclosed in the board members package.

Item No. 6: Financial Update:

Mr. Michael Lusk, Director of Finance gave a brief and comprehensive update on MILRA's cash position which included:

- A summary of Post-Closing
- A summary of MILRA's Cash Flow Forecast
- Administration Detail

A handout was provided for each board member for their perusal.

Public Comments:

Chairman Ward invited public comment and Ms. Amy Johnson, a resident of Oakland City took advantage of the opportunity to speak.

<u>Item No. 8: Executive Session (1.) Acquisition and Disposition of Real Estate and (2.) Personnel Matters (3.) Litigation/Attorney Client Privileged Communication:</u>

Chairman Ward made an announcement to move into Executive Session and read the following statement.

"Ladies and Gentleman:

In accordance with O.C.G.A. SECTION 50-14-4(B), a quorum of the McPherson Implementing LRA is present and will enter into executive session by a majority vote. The purpose for the closed section is for members to (1) deliberate regarding the acquisition of interest in real estate, (2) receive Attorney-Client Communication concerning active litigation, and (3) discuss personnel matters. The specific reasons for the closed session will be entered in the official minutes and a notarized affidavit will be

executed stating that the executive session was devoted to matters within the exceptions provided by law."

After Chairman Ward read the statement T. Rogers Wade made a motion to approve and it was seconded by Richard Holmes. Approval was unanimous.

The Board went into Executive Session for approximately 1hour and 50 minutes. Ken DeLeon made a motion to end the Executive Session and it was seconded by Richard Holmes. Approval was unanimous.

After the Executive Session ended the Chairman asked that the meeting be reopened to the public. Kenneth DeLeon made a motion to approve and it was seconded by Thomas Weyandt. Approval was unanimous.

Adjournment:

Kenneth DeLeon made a motion to adjourn; it was seconded by Chandra Houston. Approval was unanimous. The MILRA's Board Executive Committee meeting ended at approximately 4:29pm.

Recorded By:

Sandra Tennyson

Executive Assistant

Approved By

Brian Hooker Executive Director