

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
HARRIS COUNTY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 6
(EAST MONTROSE MANAGEMENT DISTRICT)
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

March 18, 2009

Determine quorum; call to order.

The Board of Directors of Harris County Improvement District No. 6 held a regular meeting, open to the public, on the 18th day of March, 2009, at the Freed-Montrose Neighborhood Library, 4100 Montrose Blvd., Houston, Texas, at 3:00 p.m., inside the boundaries of the District, and Chairman Grover called the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m. and the roll was called of the duly appointed members of the Board, to-wit:

Position 1: Kathy Hubbard
Position 2: Claude Wynn
Position 3: Michael Grover, *Chairman*
Position 4: Tom Fricke
Position 5: Brad Nagar, *Secretary*
Position 6: Jerry Simoneaux

Position 7: Tammy Manning
Position 8: Allen Ueckert
Position 9: David Robinson (pending)
Position 10: Randall Ellis, *Vice Chairman*
Position 11: Gary Wingfield (pending)

and all of the above were present with the exception of Directors Ellis, Fricke, Nagar and Simoneaux, thus constituting a quorum. Also present at the meeting were David Hawes, Josh Hawes and Gretchen Larson, Hawes Hill Calderon; Clark Lord, Vinson & Elkins, L.L.P.; Sylvia Drew, Avondale resident; Tim Womble, owner of Womble Properties; Jeron Ravin, Office of City Councilmember Wanda Adams; and Janet Anderson, Hawes Hill Calderon.

Receive public comments.

Members of the public introduced themselves to the Board. No action was taken.

Approve of minutes of previous meeting.

Upon a motion duly made by Director Hubbard and being seconded by Director Manning, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the February 18, 2009 Board meeting.

Receive Financial Report, pay bills.

Mr. David Hawes briefed the Board and reviewed the financial information included in the Board packets. Upon a motion duly made by Director Hubbard and being seconded by Director Ueckert, the Board voted unanimously to approve the financial report and pay bills.

Receive Assessment Collection Report and Billing and Assessment Summary.

Mr. David Hawes briefed the Board and reported that the 2008 assessments are 78% collected to date. He noted that 2007 assessments are 87% collected. Mr. Lord added that the delinquent collection attorneys at Purdue Brandon are currently working on the 2007 collections. No action was taken.

Consider audit proposal from McCall, Gibson & Company, PLLC for FY 2008.

Mr. David Hawes recommended that the Board accept the audit proposal, explaining that the firm of McCall, Gibson & Company routinely works with and is knowledgeable about management districts. He said the audit cost would be in the \$8-10,000 range. Upon a motion duly made by Director Wynn and being seconded by Director Ueckert, the Board voted unanimously to approve the audit proposal from McCall, Gibson & Company, PLLC for FY 2008.

Receive report and consider recommendations from Security and Public Safety Committee report with regard to the following:

Receive Public Safety Patrol Report for the month of February.

Mr. Josh Hawes briefed the Board and announced that the roving daytime patrol is now operational. He said that maps are being given to the patrol officers of the areas in which they should focus and provide more coverage. No action was taken.

Receive report and consider recommendations from Visual Improvements and Cultural Promotion Committee with regard to the following:

Consider esplanade maintenance along Yoakum.

Mr. Josh Hawes briefed the Board and indicated that the Request for Proposals for esplanade maintenance will be redistributed soon. He recommended development of an Ambassador Program that would include cost-sharing partnerships with businesses for esplanade maintenance initiatives. Director Wynn noted that the Yoakum property owners have already contacted the District in this regard.

Director Ueckert said that Shooter & Lindsay, Inc.'s month-to-month contract amount for landscape maintenance will likely increase due to the onset of the spring and summer months, during which more frequent upkeep is required. Upon a motion duly made by Director Wynn and being seconded by Director Ueckert, the Board voted unanimously to authorize up to an additional \$900 per month for the month-to-month landscape maintenance agreement with Shooter & Lindsay, Inc.

Approve Resolution in support of HB751.

Mr. Lord explained that HB751 would limit the liability of a public utility that allows recreational use of land that it owns, occupies, or leases. Upon a motion duly made by Director Wynn and being seconded by Director Ueckert, the Board voted unanimously to approve the resolution in support of HB751.

Receive report and consider recommendations from Business and Economic Development Committee with regard to the following:

Consider contract with St. Thomas University for the purpose of district branding.

Director Manning recommended entering into a contract with St. Thomas University in the amount of \$1,450 to conduct a survey and a logo design contest. She said the five finalists in the logo design contest would present their concepts to the Board, which would select the winner. Upon a motion duly made by Director Manning and being seconded by Director Wynn, the Board voted unanimously to approve a contract with St. Thomas University for the purpose of District branding.

Consider Intown Chamber of Commerce Membership.

Director Manning recommended that the District join the Intown Chamber of Commerce. Director Wynn noted that the District would have a link on the Chamber's website. Upon a motion duly made by Director Wynn and being seconded by Director Manning, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Intown Chamber of Commerce membership.

Receive recommendation from Transportation Committee with regard to the following:

Approve contract with Walter P. Moore for mobility inventory.

Director Wynn recommended that the Board approve the contract with Walter P. Moore for the mobility inventory, indicating that the budget is in the \$45,000 range. Upon a motion duly made by Director Wynn and being seconded by Director Manning, the Board voted unanimously to approve the contract with Walter P. Moore for the mobility inventory.

Discuss legislative options for including additional territory in the District.

Mr. David Hawes reported that the legislative process is underway. He said the key to success in passing the legislation is support of area business owners and indicated that he will distribute a sample letter for business owners to fax to the legislators who represent the District's geographic area. He mentioned that he was quoted in a Houston Chronicle news article titled, "Where Houston Lives," on March 10, 2009. No action was taken.

Receive Report from the Budget/Finance Committee.


Ms. Hubbard suggested that the Board obtain more information about the upcoming Blueprint Houston event in April and how to participate. She said the District may wish to consider sponsoring a "document shredding" event for the public that would increase community awareness about financial security and identity theft. No action was taken.

Receive Executive Director's Report on Action Initiatives in Support of the District's Service Plan.

Mr. David Hawes informed the Board that Mr. Jim Murphy is now a senior associate with Hawes Hill Calderon. Mr. Murphy is a former Texas state representative and longtime executive with the Westchase District. Mr. Hawes asked Mr. Ravin for assistance in obtaining approval for the Board appointments for Directors Robinson and Wingfield. No action was taken.

Adjourn.

There being no further business to come before the Board, Chairman Grover adjourned the meeting at 4:18 p.m.


Secretary, Board of Directors

