

**The City of Atlanta and Fulton County Recreation Authority (“AFCRA”)
Board of Directors Meeting
101 Marietta Street NW, Suite 1070, Atlanta, Georgia 30303**

**February 26, 2018
8:30 a.m.**

After providing proper public notice, the City of Atlanta and Fulton County Recreation Authority (“AFCRA”) held a Board of Directors Meeting on Monday, February 26, 2018 at 101 Marietta Street, NW, Suite 630 (6th Floor Boardroom) Atlanta, Georgia 30303.

Board Members:

Present: Chairperson, William K Whitner, Esq.
Commissioner Bob Ellis
Secretary, Michelle Falconer
Treasurer, Michael L. Green
Cathy Hampton, Esq.
Geoffrey Heard
Stacy Shailendra (Via Phone)
Kellye Terrell

Absent: Vice Chairperson, Commissioner Marvin Arrington, Jr., Esq.

Quorum Present: Yes

Authority Representatives:

Alvin Kendall, Consultant
Vivienne Kerr, Executive Assistant
Dargan Burns, III, Staff Accountant
Douglass Selby, Esq., Hunton & Williams LLP, Legal Counsel

Guests:

Rodney Strong, Esq., Griffin & Strong P.C.
Bharath Parthasarathy, Deputy General Counsel, Georgia State University (“GSU”)

Proceedings:

The meeting was called to order at 8:43 a.m. by Chairperson Whitner.

Minutes:

Ms. Hampton made a motion to approve the January 26, 2018 meeting minutes. Mr. Heard second the motion. Motion CARRIED.

Media Lot Use

Mr. Kendall explained GSU’s request to lease the lot from April 25-28, 2018. Ms. Terrell recommends selling the lot while Mr. Ellis suggests an analysis be conducted to determine fair market rates. Ms. Hampton recommends the rate remain at \$450.00 per day as previously charged to GSU for use of the lot. Chairperson Whitner agreed and asks that the Grounds Committee determine a rate structure and make a recommendation to the board at its next meeting. Ms.

Hampton made a motion to keep the current rate of \$450.00 per day for use of the Media Lot. Ms. Falconer second the motion. Motion CARRIED.

Project Update

Mr. Parthasarathy explained that phase I of converting the baseball stadium to a football arena including updating the 755 Club is complete. Phase II consists of fire code upgrades, opening of restaurants along Georgia Avenue, and office buildings where the Gold lot now sits. In addition, they have partnered with the surrounding neighborhoods, established youth and adult, and arts and culture programs.

Ms. Hampton asked about policing of the stadium. Mr. Parthasarathy explained that GSU has more officers roaming the neighborhood on foot and riding carts. Furthermore, they are working to cutdown on the number of ghost lots in the area.

Presently, GSU does not have an Equal Business Opportunity (EBO) percentage threshold but supports minority businesses.

AFCRA Website Update

Mr. Kendall recommends that AFCRA construct a functional site for the board to review and approve. The board recommends the website developer attend the May 14, 2018 board meeting to take headshot photos of the board members for inclusion on the website. The board approved RJ Mays Consulting to design and launch AFCRA's website.

Community Recreation Special Project Committee

Mr. Green recommends that project funds be split with one-half for board projects, and one-half for community projects. Grant applications will be posted on AFCRA's website. The committee will make a recommendation at the May 2018 board meeting.

Basketball Tournament

Mr. Kendall spoke with Atlanta and Fulton County Public School Athletic Directors, and both are eager to participate in a girls/boys Christmas basketball tournament at Philips Arena. Mr. Kendall suggests that now is the time to hold conversations with the Atlanta Hawks to lock in dates for December 2018.

The CRSP committee recommends moving forward with planning a High School girls/boys Christmas basketball tournament. Mr. Heard second the motion. Motion CARRIED.

The First Tee of Atlanta

Mr. Kendall met with The First Tee of Atlanta, and they request an immediate donation of \$139,178.39 to purchase new lawn equipment. Ms. Falconer made a motion to approve funding the purchase of new lawn equipment in the amount of \$139,178.39. Mr. Green second the motion. Motion CARRIED.

Budget

After review of the park's budget, Ms. Hampton requests data on, and an explanation of the fluctuation in the numbers represented in the budget. She would like First Tee to attend the next board meeting to address questions related to the budget.

Site Visit

The First Tee of Atlanta invited AFCRA's board members to attend the programming session on April 14th to observe the youth development program and see first-hand the improvements to the park.

Water Bill

Mr. Kendall informed the board that First Tee is asking the City of Atlanta to waive its water bill. He spoke with Commissioner Amy Phuong, Department of Parks and Recreation, and will send her the park's water bills from the last three years.

Zoo Atlanta

Mr. Kendall spoke with Commissioner Phuong to discuss the parking facility. There needs to be some clarity on the contractor bidding process, and who is responsible for hiring an Owner's Representative.

Tax Credit

AFCRA was told that the submission deadline was January 31, 2018 when in-fact there was no such requirement. Mr. Kendall would like to have a meeting between AFCRA and the Zoo to establish roles and responsibilities of each entity as it relates to business matters.

Parking Facility

The City of Atlanta's procurement department will draft a RFP for the deck and restaurant, and AFCRA will decide who gets awarded the contract.

Philips Arena

Equal Business Opportunity (EBO) Reporting

Griffin & Strong, P.C. is responsible for monitoring EBO requirements as it relates to renovation projects at Philips Arena.

Emergency Repairs

Mr. Kendall does not recommend approval of Arena Operations request for an emergency repair to an electrical box in one of the parking lots.

Executive Session

Chairperson Whitner made a motion to move into executive session. Ms. Hampton second the motion. Motion CARRIED.


Executive Director Search

Mr. Whitner made a motion to authorize the Executive Director Subcommittee to finalize the agreement with Parker Executive Search Company who will review candidates' biographies and conduct reference checks; and authorize the chairperson to enter an engagement with Parker Executive Search Company. Ms. Falconer second the motion. Motion CARRIED.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:06 a.m.

Certified by:



Michelle Falconer, Secretary