

Minutes for Historic South Downtown Board Meeting

Tuesday, December 11, 2018

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Attendance: Heidi Hall called the meeting to order at 5:06 P.M.

Board Members present: Chris Arkills, Maria Batayola, Heidi Hall, Jamie Lee, Carl Seip, Heidi Park, Azar Koulibaly, Tom Sang-gu Im, Julie Fonseca de Borges (on phon)

Incoming Board Members present: Stephanie Pure, Jen Petersen, Karen True

Board Members absent: Kevin Geiger, Becca Camarda, Wren Wheeler

Public Comment—Maiko Winkler-Chin spoke and urged the HSD board to support HSD being the administrative body for a contract to represent the interests of Pioneer Square and Chinatown/ID in the coming months as Sound Transit makes decisions on the light rail alignment through south downtown.

Action/Approval – Consent agenda:

Heidi Park motioned to approve the consent agenda which contained October minutes and the treasurers report. Azar seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion and Action – Seattle ST3 Capacity Contract Proposal:

Kathleen began with a review of the proposed contract between the city and several neighborhood groups to provide the South Downtown area with capacity building and technical assistance as Sound Transit makes alignment decision for West Seattle to Ballard Light Rail. The contract is for \$100,000 and is expected to run from January 1, 2019 to April 30, 2019. The contract has two key tasks. Task 1 is to review existing and active transportation plans in the area and to look at existing neighborhood plans as well. The consultant will review and summarize the potential impacts of ST3 with a special focus on small businesses and residents. The consultant is expected to deliver a report on their findings on Task 1. Task 2 is to review and participate in all ST community outreach meetings and technical briefings so they can better inform the community about the alternatives and how to be involved in the process. They would be expected to hold at least two community workshops.

The board discussed the proposal at length. Major topics included whether HSD should be charging an administrative fee for the contract (generally the board decided not to charge unless the contract was extended past April), whether this contract could be executed quickly as a sole-source contract due to the tight timing, and what the nature of the contract should be.

Jamie Lee made a motion to give the ED the authority to administer the contract. Heidi Hall seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion and Action—HSD Officers Election

The following slate of officers for 2019 for the Historic South Downtown Board was proposed:

Wren Wheeler—Board President

Heidi Hall—Vice President

Azar Koulibaly—Secretary

Jamie Lee—Treasurer

Maria Batayola moved to nominate the slate of officers. Heidi Park seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion and Action—Grant Making Plan

The board had a final discussion on the Grant Making Plan before final adoption. It was noted that the Nonprofit Assistance Center will provide technical assistance during the RFP period. The board did some final wordsmithing on language regarding supplantation of funds, wording on fiscal sponsors, and what HSD funds.

Maria Batayola moved to approve the Grant Making Plan. Chris Arkills seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Good of the Order

It was noted that Kathleen Barry Johnson had just passed her one-year anniversary with Historic South Downtown and we all cheered her for the great job she has done.

The board celebrated incoming and outgoing board members with a toast.

Heidi Hall adjourned the meeting at 6:29 p.m.

