APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MAY 23, 2018

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Regular meeting of May 23, 2018 are hereby approved and all actions taken by the Directors present at such meeting, as set forth in such minutes, are hereby in all respects ratified and approved as actions of the Downtown Development Authority.

June 27, 2018
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 2018 – 3:00 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:  Marvin Beatty
                           Ehrlich Crain
                           David Blaszkiewicz
                           Sonya Delley
                           Richard Hosey
                           James Jenkins
                           John Naglick
                           Steve Ogden

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:    Charles Beckham
                          Austin Black
                          Michael Duggan
                          David Massaron
                          Vacancy (Melvin Hollowell)

OTHERS PRESENT:           Gay Hilger (DEGC/DDA)
                          Malinda Jensen (DEGC/DDA)
                          Paul Kako (DEGC/DDA)
                          John Lauve (The World)
                          Glen Long, Jr. (DEGC/DDA)
                          Rebecca Navin (DEGC/DDA)
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MINUTES OF THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING
WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 2018
DETROIT ECONOMIC GROWTH CORPORATION
500 GRISWOLD STREET, SUITE 2200 – 3:00 P.M.

GENERAL

Call to Order

Noting that a quorum was present, Vice Chair Blaszkiewicz called the Regular meeting of the Downtown Development Authority Board of Directors to order at 3:03 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Blaszkiewicz questioned whether there were any additions, deletions or corrections to the minutes of the May 9, 2018 Regular Board meeting. Hearing none, the Board took the following action:

    On a motion by Mr. Beatty, seconded by Ms. Delley, Resolution Code DDA 18-05-02-607 was unanimously approved.

Receipt of Treasurer’s Report

Mr. Naglick reviewed the Treasurer’s Report of Receipts and Disbursements for the Month of April 2018 for the benefit of the Board and responded to questions. Subsequent to the discussion, the Board took the following action:

    On a motion by Mr. Hosey, seconded by Mr. Jenkins, Resolution Code 18-05-03-483 was unanimously approved.

PROJECTS

Paradise Valley Business & Entertainment District: Engagement of Bankruptcy Counsel for Lotus Industries Bankruptcy

Ms. Navin introduced Mr. Paul Kako, who is a new staff attorney at the DEGC. He is a recent graduate of the University of Michigan Law School and recently passed the Bar exam and was sworn in yesterday and he is with us on a fellowship for up to 12 months. The Board welcomed him.

Ms. Navin reported that as the Board is aware, the DDA and Lotus Industries d/b/a Centre Park Bar ("Lotus") executed a lease agreement dated August 19, 2013 (the "Lease") for the ground floor restaurant space located at 1407 Randolph (the "Property"). As of January, 2018, Lotus was
currently a party to each of the following lawsuits involving the DDA and/or DEGC, the City and/or City representatives relating to the Lease and/or the Property (the “Pending Cases”) and the DDA has been represented by Kotz Sangster Wysocki P.C. (“Kotz”) in the Pending Cases:

1. Lotus Industries LLC d/b/a Centre Park Bar et al. v. Michael Duggan, et al. (Federal Case No: 16-cv-14112);

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3. City of Detroit Downtown Development Authority v. Lotus Industries LLC d/b/a Centre Park Bar (36th District Court Case No: 17315193); and


Following the approval by the DDA Board of a global settlement agreement with respect to the Pending Cases, on January 18, 2018, Lotus filed for Chapter 11 Bankruptcy protection, and listed the DDA as its largest creditor in the bankruptcy. Counsel and DDA representatives interviewed bankruptcy counsel and, pursuant to the delegation of authority approved by the board in December, 2017 (DDA 17-12-01-437) engaged the services of the firm of Stevenson and Bullock PLC (the “Bullock” and, together with Kotz, the “Firm”) at a blended rate of $250 / hour. As fees for the engagement of Bullock have now exceeded the amount authorized under the delegation of authority. Staff seeks the Board’s approval for the continued engagement of the Firms through the pendency of the bankruptcy.

A resolution approving the engagement of the Firms was included for the Board’s consideration.

Mr. Beatty asked how DDA selects law firms. Ms. Navin responded that it depends on the litigation. In this case we sought recommendations from various bankruptcy attorneys and different people that we know. We spoke to five firms, two were large firms which were outside of our price range, and then interview three smaller firms and selected this firm. Mr. Beatty questioned if any of the firms were minority firms. Ms. Navin replied that the partner, Stevenson, is African-American.

Mr. Crain questioned if we could put a not-to-exceed cap in the resolution, perhaps $30,000. When the $30,000 is reached, the contract would come back to the Board for an increase. Ms. Navin said that it could be added, but could not say without checking outstanding invoices how much the appropriate amount for the cap would be. Mr. Long stated that he felt $50,000 would be a fair amount. Mr. Blaszkiewicz added that if the $50,000 is exceeded, the Board would like to see additional analysis/explanation of the case. Ms. Navin stated that the conclusion of the bankruptcy is close; however, there is still ongoing litigation with respect to the Guarantees.

Ms. Navin explained that the problem we’ve been running into in the last 12 months, especially since we’ve been targeted by a particular law firm and particular litigants, is that it is completely unpredictable and have to act quickly. It would have to be a generous cap if it is the will of this Board for us to vigorously defend ourselves and to be responsive.

Mr. Jenkins questioned if there should be a cap on all legal fees in the future. Ms. Navin advised that there is a $50,000 cap under the Delegation of Authority. When legal fees are anticipated to exceed $50,000, it is brought to the Board.

Subsequent to the discussion, the Board took the following action:

On a motion by Mr. Crain, seconded by Mr. Beatty, Resolution Code DDA 18-05-110-43 was approved, as amended, with Mr. Ogden opposed and Mr. Jenkins abstaining.
Mr. Ogden stated that he felt there should not be a monetary cap put on the legal services covered by this resolution. It is the staff's job to be the Board's fiduciary here.

**ADMINISTRATION**

**DDA Budget for FY 2018-19**

Ms. Jensen advised that pursuant to Article 28, Act 197, as amended, we have prepared the attached DDA budget for FY 2018-19 Downtown Development Authority’s General Fund Budget for your review prior to its submission to the City Council for its approval.

A resolution is enclosed for the Board's review and authorization of the DDA staff to submit the DDA budget for FY 2018-19 to City Council for its approval, in accordance with Section 28(1) of Act 197, Public Acts of Michigan, as amended, prior to its adoption by the DDA Board.

Mr. Naglick informed that the DDA Finance Committee met immediately before this meeting and unanimously recommends approval to the Board.

Subsequent to the discussion, the Board took the following action:

> On a motion by Mr. Beatty, seconded by Ms. Delley, Resolution Code DDA 18-05-18-67 was unanimously approved.

**Renewal of DDA/DEGC Agreement for FY 2018-19**

Ms. Jensen reported that the present term of the contract dated July 1, 2017 (the "Contract") between the Downtown Development Authority (the “DDA”) and the Detroit Economic Growth Corporation (the “DEGC”) will expire June 30, 2018.

Article II of the Contract provides that the Contract may be renewed and extended for additional twelve (12) month periods upon delivery of a written notice by DDA to the DEGC on or before the ninetieth (90th) day prior to the end of the Contract term, provided such renewal is accepted by DEGC prior to the end of such term.

On April 2, 2018, the DDA staff submitted a letter to DEGC offering DDA’s intent to extend the above-referenced Contract an additional twelve (12) month period commencing July 1, 2018. Such offer was accepted by DEGC April 16, 2018.

Included in the Board material for consideration is a resolution that authorizes execution of the attached DDA/DEGC Contract (Exhibit “A”) in an amount not to exceed One Million, Nine Hundred Thousand and 00/100 ($1,900,000.00) Dollars, to expire June 30, 2019.

The Board questioned if the contract could have a longer term. Mr. Long stated that we could look into it and could perhaps consider a longer term for a future renewal.

Subsequent to the discussion, the Board took the following action:

> On a motion by Mr. Naglick, seconded by Mr. Hosey, Resolution Code DDA 18-05-01-443 was unanimously approved.
Schedule of Regular DDA Board Meetings for FY 2018-19

Ms. Jensen advised that a resolution adopting the schedule of dates for the Regular DDA Board meetings for FY 2018-19 beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019 was included with the Board material. The proposed dates are listed below.

Unless otherwise posted, such meetings will be held on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 3:00 P.M., in the offices of the DEGC, 500 Griswold Street, Suite 2200, Conference Room A, as follows:

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With there being no objection to the proposed dates, the Board took the following action:

On a motion by Mr. Beatty, seconded by Mr. Naglick, Resolution Code DDA 18-05-01-444 was unanimously approved.

2018 Tax Rate Request Report to the County Board of Commissioners

Ms. Jensen informed that according to the provision in Section 12(1) of Public Act 197 of 1975, the Detroit Downtown Development Authority (the “DDA”) is allowed to levy 1 mill on real and personal property in the downtown district. The proceeds of the levy are to be used to fund the DDA’s operating budget.

The 2018 tax rate form, to be signed by the DDA Board of Directors Chair or his representative, and the DDA Board of Directors Secretary, was included in the meeting material, as well as a resolution authorizing its submission.

With there being no questions or discussion, the Board took the following action:

On a motion by Mr. Ogden, seconded by Mr. Crain, Resolution Code DDA 18-05-01-445 was unanimously approved

OTHER MATTERS

Mr. Naglick advised that the State of Michigan and the City of Detroit are having an investor summit at the Westin Hotel. Underwriters of the City’s bonds have all been invited. We have about 100 people attending. Corey is going to be the lunchtime speaker followed by Mayor Duggan and the DEGC is then doing an optional tour which a lot of people have signed up for of some of the great developments, most of which are in the DDA district, but also includes Flex-N-Gate and industrial projects. Mr. Naglick thanked Mr. Long for his help in arranging this tour.
Mr. Blaszkiewicz questioned if there is anything the Board members could do to help with this. Mr. Naglick advised that the night before there is a function with the bond holders that he would be glad to send an invitation to the Board for anyone interested in attending. It should be a real nice event.

Mr. Long advised that the City just received an upgrade in their bond rating by Moody's and congratulated Mr. Naglick for his role in the upgrade. Mr. Naglick explained the rating process to the Board. Since the City's bankruptcy, the rating had declined, and now the rating is back up to the rating in 2012 prior to the bankruptcy. The ultimate goal would be to get the City's general obligation rating back to the point where we could issue bonds to the public and fund our capital the way that other big cities do and are a few years away from that goal.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Blaszkiewicz called for public comment and advised that they would be given two minutes.

Mr. John Lauve of Holly, Michigan stated the following:

"This is my annual report right here that I took to the newspaper. Fifty years ago I had two weeks left in Vietnam before I flew back to Detroit. This report explains how we are suffering from a very sub-standard news coverage of what is happening in the world. It’s a failure here so you are not alone in sub-standard things. This DDA issue is Ilitch's behavior has never been dealt with. This is Exhibit A from 2005, West Adams where they gave them a million and a half and he hasn’t fixed this up. It’s a disgrace. And, of course, we talked about the kids. We should have a report from him. He is in violation of the lease. We should have the numbers of tickets they distributed, the number that went to the kids and the number of tickets for the adults. I don’t know what is clouding your willingness to enforce the obligation of the lease that Ilitch signed years ago and agreed to do and he hasn’t done. But I don’t know if it’s because you have these suites down here, Caesar’s Palace down here, but these things are your responsibility and you’re not doing your job. I read the minutes of the DDA when they gave him the money for the Adams Street project. They said what are the givebacks. So I’m just asking that someday you act on the kid problem. As I said before, I’d be willing to sign a contract with you to manage this project for you if you are too busy, I would be willing to take care of it. Then we would see something happen."

Mr. Blaszkiewicz advised Mr. Lauve that his two minutes were up and thanked him for his comments.

Mr. Jenkins asked about a report the Board was going to receive on the Tigers Ticket Donation Program. Mr. Hosey advised that the Committee met with Tigers representatives but did not have a quorum, and looked at their forms and went back and forth regarding the underlying language versus the form, and it is much more nebulous than it sounds. What they have been doing is talking about priorities and how to separate out the overall tickets that they give away from the tickets that are qualified, and making sure that we have a good report. They are in their ticket season now so we have an expectation of what the report should contain.

Ms. Jensen added that Ms. Lewis of the Tigers indicated she is doing a formal outreach to churches within the Detroit proper to explain the program and to invite them to participate. That was another outreach effort, and we won’t know the success of the effort until the end of the season.

Mr. Jenkins suggested that we ask for a report now rather than wait until the end of the season. Ms. Jenson said that they met with Dr. Viti and DPS has requested tickets for May and June and then again in September and October. Ms. Jensen stated she would ask for an interim report to see where they are.
Mr. Beatty asked for a copy of the mailing list of the churches that were sent information.

Mr. Crain said that it was his understanding that the Tigers were going to come back with a written overall plan of their outreach efforts going forward.

Ms. Jensen explained that she needs to review her notes before responding. Mr. Blaszkiewicz asked that Ms. Jenson provide a report at the next meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With there being no other business to be brought before the Board, Mr. Blaszkiewicz adjourned the meeting at 3:44 p.m.
Detroit Free Press 2 editor meetings—NO CHANGE
Gannett content officer involuntarily terminated
Sunday November 12, 2017 Veteran’s Day issue
had no front page recognition of the holiday, instead a big photo of a basketball player

DETOIT - PROBLEMS IGNORED:
1. Illitch: (Pizza billionaire and Tiger/Red Wing owner)
   a. Little Caesar Arena takes $1/3B from school aid fund
   b. Bankruptcy fraud failed to pay rent $10M
   c. Eyesore buildings code not enforced
   d. 48 W. Adams - $1.5M public money never finished (2005)
   e. “Children of low income families” denied tickets required by Tiger Baseball Stadium agreement. John Lauve objected.
2. Detroit Public Schools and Michigan at bottom of United States
   a. This was the reason for Amazon rejecting Detroit
   b. Poor regional transportation was not a reason
   c. 170 vacant Detroit teaching positions cannot be filled
   d. Approx. 800 local school districts waste money
3. Federal judge Goldsmith blocked 8000 petitions collected by John Lauve for a ballot access vote on Illitch plan. He has blocked appeals since August. The mayor’s father was a fellow federal judge.
4. Michigan violated the state constitution and the U.S Supreme Court refused judgment on the case I filed.
5. City owns 33,000 empty homes that can’t be sold

USA TODAY The Nation’s Newspaper:
1. fails to meet the stated goal of informing the nation
   a. China is the third largest economy after the European Union.
   b. China is tied with Japan as the single largest FOREIGN holder of the U.S. debt
   c. American education system is at the bottom of the developed world.
2. the state listing page is frivolous news and needs an upgrade to important issues. An example would be to have a rating of each state on education. The public would then know their state’s status thanks to USA TODAY
3. The old USA TODAY on June 8, 2005 reported the GM meeting with Lauve’s photo of a Titanic Disaster ahead. 3 years later GM was bankrupt.

Mr. John Lauve
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May 23, 2018
RECEIPT OF TREASURER’S REPORT FOR APRIL 2018

RESOLVED, that the Treasurer’s Report of Receipts and Disbursements for the period ending April 30, 2018, as presented at this meeting, is hereby in all respects received by the Downtown Development Authority.

May 23, 2018
Paradise Valley Business & Entertainment District: Engagement of Bankruptcy Counsel for Lotus Industries Bankruptcy

Whereas, the DDA and Lotus Industries d/b/a Centre Park Bar ("Lotus") are currently parties to a lease agreement dated August 19, 2013 (the "Lease") for the ground floor restaurant space located at 1407 Randolph (the "Property"); and

Whereas, as of January, 2018, Lotus was currently a party to each of the following lawsuits involving the DDA, DEGC, the City and/or City representatives relating to the Lease and/or the Property (the "Pending Cases") and the DDA has been represented by Kotz Sangster Wysocki P.C. ("Kotz") in the Pending Cases:

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Whereas, following the approval by the DDA Board of a global settlement agreement with respect to the Pending Cases, on January 18, 2018, Lotus filed for Chapter 11 Bankruptcy protection, and listed the DDA as its largest creditor in the bankruptcy; and

Whereas, Counsel and DDA representatives interviewed bankruptcy counsel and, pursuant to the delegation of authority approved by the board in December, 2017, engaged the services of the firm of Stevenson and Bullock PLC (the "Bullock" and, together with Kotz, the "Firm") at a blended rate of $250 / hour; and

Whereas, fees for the engagement of Bullock have now exceeded the amount authorized under the delegation of authority and Staff seeks the Board's approval for the continued engagement of the Firms; and
WHEREAS, the DDA Board has determined that engagement of the Firms is in the best interests of the DDA.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the DDA Board of Directors hereby approves the engagement of the Firms provided; however, that in the event that Bullock's fees exceed the maximum authorized under the delegation of authority by more than $50,000, staff shall be required to seek additional approval by the Board of Directors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the DDA Board of Directors hereby authorizes any two of its Officers or any two of its Authorized Agents or any one Officer and any one Authorized Agent to negotiate and execute all documents, contracts and papers and take such other actions necessary or appropriate to implement the provisions and intent of this resolution on behalf of the DDA.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that all of the acts and transactions of any Officer or Authorized Agent of the DDA, in the name and on behalf of the DDA, relating to matters contemplated by the foregoing resolutions, which acts would have been approved by the foregoing resolutions except that such acts were taken prior to execution of these resolutions, are hereby in all respects confirmed, approved and ratified.

May 23, 2018
BUDGET: FY 2018-19

WHEREAS, Section 28(1) of the Downtown Development Authority Act 197, as amended, requires the City of Detroit Downtown Development Authority (the "DDA") to prepare a budget (the "Budget") for the operation of the DDA for each fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, said Budget must be prepared in a manner and contain the information required of the municipal departments of the City of Detroit; and

WHEREAS, said Budget must be approved by the Detroit City Council prior to its adoption by the DDA Board of Directors; and

WHEREAS, the DDA Staff has prepared the attached DDA Budget for Fiscal Year 2018-19 (Exhibit "A").

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the DDA Board of Directors hereby authorizes the DDA staff to submit the FY 2018-19 Budget to the Detroit City Council for approval, in accordance with Section 28(1) of Act 197, Public Acts of Michigan, 1975, as amended, prior to its adoption by the DDA Board.

May 23, 2018
ADMINISTRATION: RENEWAL OF DDA/DEGC PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR 2018-19

WHEREAS, the present term of the professional services contract (the "Contract"), dated July 1, 2017, by and between the Detroit Economic Growth Corporation (the "DEGC") and the City of Detroit Downtown Development Authority (the "DDA") will expire on June 30, 2018; and

WHEREAS, on April 2, 2018 the DDA staff submitted a letter to DEGC offering DDA’s intent to extend the above-referenced Contract for an additional twelve (12) month period commencing July 1, 2018. Such offer was accepted by DEGC on April 16, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the DDA desires to extend the term of the Contract for an additional renewal term of twelve (12) months, commencing on July 1, 2018 and expiring on June 30, 2019.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the DDA hereby approves the execution of a contract (the “Contract”) substantially in the form of Exhibit “A” attached hereto for FY 2017-2018 and further authorizes any two of the DDA Officers or any one Officer and any one Authorized Agent to execute the Contract for an amount not to exceed One Million, Nine Hundred Thousand and 00/100 ($1,900,000.00) Dollars and extending its term from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the DDA Treasurer is hereby authorized to pay to DEGC, out of the General Fund, up to One Million, Nine Hundred Thousand and 00/100 ($1,900,000.00) Dollars for the proper performance of the services under the terms of the Contract.

May 23, 2018
RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Downtown Development Authority (the "DDA") hereby adopts the following as its schedule of regular meetings for its fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018 and ending June 30, 2019. Unless otherwise posted, such meetings will be held on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 3:00 P.M, in the offices of the DEGC, 500 Griswold Street, Suite 2200, Conference Room A, as follows:

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May 23, 2018
ADMINISTRATION: 2018 TAX RATE REQUEST REPORT TO THE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WEREAS, according to the provision in Section 12(1) of Public Act 197 of 1975, the Detroit Downtown Development Authority (the "DDA") is allowed to levy 1 mill on real and personal property in the downtown district to be used to fund the DDA’s operating budget.

IT IS RESOLVED, that the Detroit Downtown Development Authority (the "DDA") Board of Directors hereby authorizes the submittal of the 2018 Tax Rate Request Report to the County Board of Commissioners.

IT IS FINALLY RESOLVED, that the DDA Board of Directors hereby authorizes the DDA Chair, or his representative, and the DDA Secretary, to take any actions and execute any documents to implement the provisions of this Resolution.

May 23, 2018