

BeltLine Affordable Housing Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, August 2, 2016

Board Members in Attendance

1. Jim Haskell
2. Emmett Johnson
3. Jan Bryson
4. Andy Schneggenburger
5. Zach Nikonovich-Kah
6. William McFarland
7. Chenee Joseph
8. Leslie Grant
9. Steve Vale
10. Young Hughley
11. Cora Dunson

Atlanta BeltLine, Inc (ABI) staff present

Paul F. Morris, President & CEO

Clyde Higgs, Vice-President & COO

Beth McMillan, Community Planning & Engagement Director

James Alexander, Housing Policy and Development Director

Lynnette Reid, Senior Planner, Office of Planning & Community Engagement

The chair called the meeting to order, with a quorum, at 3:10pm.

Agenda

Jim Haskell moved to approve the Meeting Agenda and Andy Schneggenburger seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

Minutes

Staff presented the November 10, 2015 minutes that had not been approved due to a lack of quorum, and presented the April 12, 2016 meeting summary where the board did not have a quorum. Jim Haskell asked that he be added to the attendance list for the April meeting summary. Andy Schneggenburger moved to approve the Meeting Agenda and Emmett Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed with one abstention by Leslie Grant.

Quarterly Meeting Schedule

Lynnette Reid represented the idea of going to a quarterly meeting scheduled with special call meetings as needed. Emmett Johnson moved to approve the quarterly meeting schedule with special call meeting as needed, and it was seconded by Steve Vale. The motion was approved unanimously. Staff did note that there will have to be two additional meetings for the remainder of the 2016 year, in order to fulfill its minimum requirement of four (4) meetings. The quarterly schedule will go into effect in 2017.

Affordable Housing Context Conversation

William McFarland created an opportunity to have a dialogue about past and present housing advocacy efforts in the City, generally and specific to the Beltline. The objective of this conversation was to provide context for ultimately determining BAHAB's role and positioning relative to current and future policy issues and advocacy efforts. Former members of the BeltLine Affordable Housing Advisory Committee and other housing professionals were invited to help provide history and context to affordability in the City, and specifically address affordability along the Atlanta BeltLine. The invited guests included: John O'Callaghan, Kate Little, Jance Ware, Pete Hayley, and Mtamanika Youngblood.

The meeting adjourned at 5:01pm.