

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES**

April 17, 2024 ~8:30am Downtown Tempe Authority

ATTENDING: Arlene Chin (Virtual) Michael Martin Angela Topolosek (Virtual)

Jarett BrockRosa InchaustiCharles GoffnettTim Gomez (Virtual)Curt KremerDana Gillis (Virtual)Bryan DeckerChristopher PalmaCharles Huellmantel

**Eric Sather** 

**STAFF:** Lori Foster Jane Mittness Anthony Strait

Kim DeMeritt

ABSENT: Hassan Elsaad Julian Wright

Colin Diaz James Neal Danielle Gilligan (resigned from Weston)

Meeting called to order at 8:33am.

- **A. CONSENT PACKET** Charles Huellmantel motioned approval, seconded by Charles Goffnett. Motion carried.
- **B. DTA EVENTS UPDATE** Kim DeMeritt presented the success of recent events in the downtown and discussed the ones that will be happening soon. (2<sup>nd</sup> Sundays, Blooms, Halloween Stroll, Menorah Lighting, A Mountain, TFA, Boat Parade, Street Parade, Pride and Juneteenth.)
- C. CITY OF TEMPE UPDATE Rosa Inchausti presented information in the Community Safety Improvements to include street racing issues and the introduction of "Operation Silent Night" by Tempe police department, improvements to parking lots with speed bumps and barrier/buffers, reintroducing photo enforcement program at 14 intersections and 6 cameras throughout the city. She also discussed the concerns at CVS at Mill and University and the possibility that the bus stop would move further south on Mill Avenue. The Mill Avenue Street Project continues with the next meeting on May 5<sup>th</sup>.
- **D. TEMPE TOURISM UPDATE-** Michael Martin discussed that the Moxy is closing and will become a new housing unit for students. TownePlace Suites by Marriott is open at Rio Salado and McClintock.
- E. TEMPE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE UPDATE Colin Diaz Absent no update
- **F. PRESIDENT'S UPDATE** Lori Foster reminded the board on upcoming nominations. She indicated that the staff is working on the budget and work plan for the new fiscal year.
- **G. NEW BUSINESS** Bryan Decker informed the board that Bonchon (Korean BBQ) will be opening on the ground floor of the OliV apartment building.

H. ADJOURN – Rosa Inchausti moved to adjourn, seconded by Charles Goffnett. Meeting adjourned at 9:30am
NEXT MEETING – June 19, 2024, Annual Meeting