



## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

February 21, 2024 ~8:30am

Downtown Tempe Authority

**ATTENDING:** Arlene Chin (Virtual) Michael Martin Angela Topolosek (Virtual)  
Jarett Brock (Virtual) Rosa Inchausti Charles Goffnett(Virtual)  
Tim Gomez (Virtual) Curt Kremer Dana Gillis (Virtual)  
Julian Wright (Virtual) Bryan Decker Christopher Palma (Virtual)  
Eric Sather James Neal (Virtual)

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

**ABSENT:** Danielle Gilligan Hassan Elsaad  
Colin Diaz Charles Huellmantel

**GUEST:** Shy Coleman

Meeting called to order at 8:32am.

- A. CONSENT PACKET** – Charles Goffnett motioned approval, seconded by Dana Gillis. Motion carried.
- B. CITY OF TEMPE UPDATE** – Rosa Inchausti informed the board that the street scape project will begin in April and should run for about 18 months. Testing will begin soon on the reverse run of the streetcar with Valley Metro. She discussed the problem statewide regarding street racing, and the impact it has on the police department. The City is looking at some vendors to bring back red light and speeding cameras in Tempe. She also informed the board that the Salvation Army is no longer providing meals downtown as they were moving their operations to Rural Road.
- C. TEMPE TOURISM UPDATE**- Michael Martin discussed that staff is settling in to new office, they will be going through a new branding refresh and will have a new website beginning 7/1. They have hired a photographer/videographer in house.
- D. TEMPE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE UPDATE** – Colin Diaz – Out of town – no update
- E. PRESIDENT’S UPDATE** – Lori Foster discussed that the staff is working on, workplan, assessments, budgets etc.
  - a. State of Downtown Awards Committee** – Lori asked the board to hold the date of April 9<sup>th</sup> open for our State of Downtown. She asked for board members to join the nominations committee for the Impact Awards that are given out at the event.
  - b. Board Nominations Committee** – Lori will be working on forming a nominations committee in March headed by Chair Eric Sather for the 4 seats that are up for election.

**F. NEW BUSINESS** – None mentioned

**G. ADJOURN** – Michael Martin moved to adjourn, seconded by Charles Goffnett. Meeting adjourned at 9:20am

**NEXT MEETING** – April 17, 2024 at 8:30am