Minutes from the April 21, 2021 Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the East Orange Parking Authority

Chairman McKnight called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. He also read the Sunshine Act-Law, and roll call was taken. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic the meeting was held via Zoom teleconference. The following Commissioners participated:

Chairman McKnight Vice-Chair Muhammad Commissioner Lasure

Kevin McManimon, Attorney-McManimon, Scotland and Baumann (joined) Councilwoman Claybrooks (joined)

Mr. David Taylor (Public)

Public Portion:

Commissioner Lasure made a motion to go into the public portion of the meeting and was seconded by Vice-Chair Muhammad. All commissioners in attendance voted in favor.

Mr. David Taylor asked if the 200 to 300 block of N. Walnut Street could be added as an overnight street parking area. Councilwoman Claybrooks stated that she will bring it to the attention of other city council members for consideration.

Commissioner Lasure made a motion to close the public portion section and was seconded by Vice-Chair Muhammad. All commissioners in attendance voted in favor.

Minutes:

Vice-Chair Muhammad made a motion to approve the March 2021 minutes and was seconded by Commissioner Lasure. All Commissioners in attendance voted in favor.

Executive Session:

At 6:52pm Vice-Chair Muhammad made a motion to go into Executive Session and was seconded by Commissioner Lasure. All Commissioners in attendance voted in favor.

At 6:57 p.m. Commissioner Lasure made a motion to exit out of Executive Session and was seconded by Vice-Chair Muhammad. All Commissioners in attendance voted in favor. Executive Session was ended at 6:57 p.m.

General Session:

Commissioner Lasure read the March 2021 Summary of Finances.

Commissioner Lasure made a motion to approve the April 2021 bills to be paid and was seconded by Vice-Chair Muhammad. All Commissioners in attendance voted in favor.

Councilwoman Claybrooks stated that 3 Stages Day Care will be opening soon and requested that we allow parents to park at the meters while they pick up and drop off children between the hours of 7am - 9am. Chairman McKnight stated that we do not start enforcing until 9am, which is the time the Parking Authority opens.

Councilwoman Claybrooks stated that City Council will be working on creating the alternate side of the street parking statutes that Tasha suggested.

Vice-Chair Muhammad asked Councilwoman Claybrooks if the Authority is entitled to any grants from the City or elsewhere that would aid with the loss in revenue incurred due to COVID, and that she is also awaiting information from Tasha and Traci.

Councilwoman Claybrooks asked if the Authority has been receiving resumes for EOPA Board Members. Kevin stated that the Authority does not participate in the process.

Chairman McKnight reviewed the street permit sales thru April 21, 2021 and compared it to what was sold last year.

Kevin suggested that the Board have a special meeting prior to the next scheduled Board Meeting to discuss necessary actions needed to acquire properties for the Brick Church Parking Project.

Chairman McKnight asked Kevin if the New Evergreen Equities Lease has been executed. Kevin stated that he is still waiting for Evergreen Equities to send the signed lease.

Adjournment:

At 6:58 p.m. Vice-Chair Muhammad made a motion to adjourn the meeting and was seconded by Commissioner Lasure. All commissioners in attendance voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.