# CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY October 18, 2022, MINUTES

The City of Virginia Beach Development Authority ("VBDA") held its regular meeting on Tuesday, October 18, 2022, at 8:30 a.m. in the Economic Development Town Center Boardroom at 4525 Main Street, Suite 700, Virginia Beach, VA, pursuant to notice given by the Chair.

Full video of item presentations and discussions can be viewed on our website at the following link – <a href="https://www.yesvirginiabeach.com/vbda">https://www.yesvirginiabeach.com/vbda</a>

MEMBERS PRESENT: Lisa M. Murphy, Chair

William Brunke, Treasurer David Bernd, Secretary

Taylor Franklin, Assistant Secretary William Brown, Commissioner Nneka Chiazor, Commissioner Penny Morgan, Commissioner Ronnie Parker, Commissioner Michael J. Standing, Commissioner Joseph Strange, Commissioner

Guenter H. Weissenseel, Commissioner

CITY COUNCIL: Vice Mayor Rosemary Wilson

ADVISORS PRESENT: Taylor V. Adams, Deputy City Manager

Alexander W. Stiles, Senior City Attorney Dana Harmeyer, Senior City Attorney

Kathy Warren, Deputy Director of Economic Development

Kaitlen Alcock, Planner II

Michael Anaya, Project Development Planner III Emily Archer, Project Development Manager Devin Cowhey, Business Development Manager II

Katrina N. Flowers, VBDA Accountant

Paige Fox, Business Development Manager II

Laura Hayes Chalk, Business Development Coordinator Letitia Langaster, Business Development Manager II

Olivia O'Bry, Executive Assistant II

Elisabeth D. Parker, Administrative Assistant Jeffrey Smith, Business Development Coordinator

Josh Spicer, Economic Development Intern

Svetla Tomanova, Project Development Planner II Raymond White, Business Development Coordinator Deborah Zywna, Project Development Planner III

REPORTED BY: Taylor V. Adams

RECORDED BY: Vicki L. Kelley

Chair, Lisa Murphy, began the meeting at 8:30 a.m.

## **OPEN FLOOR**

No Public Speakers

# **REGULAR MEETING**

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes, September 20, 2022.

MOTION: Taylor Franklin SECOND: Joseph Strange APPROVED: 9-0-0

William Brunke arrived after the vote.

### **FINANCIALS**

2. Katrina Flowers presented financials for September 2022.

# **Operating Account Summary: September 2022**

Beginning Cash - September 1, 2022

\$4,291,814

Significant Cash Receipts

• Grand Total of Significant Cash Receipts - \$26,021

\$ 20,080 VB National for Operations Rent

\$ 4,941 Interest Income

\$ 1,000 Harvest (Golf Tournament Sponsorship)

# Significant Cash Disbursements

Grand Total of Significant Cash Disbursements - \$58,111

\$ 10,383 HBA Architecture & Interior Design-Facility Assessment and Feasibility Study for Lishelle Place
\$ 13,792 Globalinx for Monthly Conduit Management Fee for September 2022

\$ 28,148
 \$ Singer Davis LLC-Legal Services for Dome Site for August 2022
 \$ 11,793
 Vanasse Hangen Brustlin, Inc. (VHB)- for Corporate Landing New Roadway Design,

Ending Cash - September 20, 2022 \$4,232,364

## **Incentive & Initiative Account Summary: September 2022**

Beginning Cash – September 1, 2022 \$2,955,125

Significant Cash Receipts

• Grand Total of Significant Cash Receipts - \$497

\$ 497 Bank interest income

## Significant Cash Disbursements

• Grand Total of Significant Cash Disbursements - \$532,899

\$ 10,000 Cutezma Corp T/A Froggie Cantina for FIG Grant \$177,289 Kimley Horn – Reimbursable for Dome Site \$282,918 Cooper Carry – Reimbursable for Dome Site \$ 62,692 Gensler – Reimbursable for Dome Site

Ending Cash – September 30, 2022 \$2,422,183

# **Incentive Summary Reporting: September 2022**

Beginning VBDA EDIP Grant Balance \$3,528,617
EDIP Grants Expired (Closed) +\$ New Grants Approved by VBDA -\$ EDIP Grant Funds Available as of September 2022 \$3,528,617

#### Atlantic Park

3. Approval of the Resolution approving the imposition of special assessments and special taxes for the Atlantic Park Community Development Authority and approving a memorandum of understanding in connection therewith presented by Dana Harmeyer.

Senior City Attorney Dana Harmeyer explained the resolution has two pieces. One is related to the VBDA as the property owner and that has special assessments, and in the CDA transaction, the special assessments serve as the security, if the revenues underperform. As the landowner, the special assessment is before you today.

The second piece is a reference to an MOU which takes the finance provisions out of the development agreement and puts it in a document that will be signed by the City, the Developer, the VBDA, and the CDA. The CDA membership is City Council, and they have an organizational meeting today at 2:00 pm, and they will have the MOU before them at their meeting. City Council will have the MOU in front of them at 6:00 pm.

#### Discussion:

Chair Lisa Murphy asked if the special assessments are treated like taxes where the property owner would agree to the taxes imposed. Mr. Harmeyer responded to clarify that special assessments are treated differently than taxes. Because of the particularities of special assessments, the value of the special assessments relates to the actual value of the improvements apportioned to the owners of the property. The VBDA as the owner would agree and then the special assessments would be attached to the various condo owners within the project.

Taylor Franklin if the MOU is connected to the special assessments. Mr. Harmeyer responded that the MOU is the relates to the performance agreement, and it is a lift of financing provisions in the Development Agreement. The MOU adds a party, the CDA, which was not in existence when the Development Agreement was executed. The MOU provides for the gathering and forwarding of the revenues to the Trustee to service the CDA debt. .

Ms. Murphy asked if the CDA was made up of all council members. Mr. Harmeyer confirmed the membership of the CDA Board is the member of the City Council. Mr. Harmeyer added that the CDA revenues are from within the district, and a CDA is like an SSD on steroids. It has a real estate levy piece, some state money and local money that would otherwise go to the TIP Fund. The combination of these three will service the debt.

MOTION: William Brunke SECOND: Ronnie Parker APPROVED: 9-0-1

Michael Standing abstained from voting on this item and the letter of abstention is attached to these Minutes.

#### **BUSINESS PARKS**

**4.** Approval of construction plans for Norfolk Virginia Beach Airport, Inc. in the Airport Industrial Park Property presented by Emily Archer.

No discussion

MOTION: Taylor Franklin SECOND: Michael Standing

APPROVED: 9-0-1

Lisa Murphy abstained from voting on this item and the letter of abstention is attached to these Minutes.

**5.** Approval of construction plans for BMKV Holdings, LLC in the Corporate Landing Park Property presented by Emily Archer.

#### Discussion:

William Brunke asked if the sign was plywood, and it seems that doesn't last long out there. Michael Standing stated that it could be Marine Grade Plywood. Ms. Archer confirmed and said they would make note of that and make sure they use durable material.

MOTION: Taylor Franklin SECOND: Penny Morgan APPROVED: 10-0-0

**6.** Approval of a Resolution approving an extension of the Mid-Atlantic NAP, LLC option in the Corporate Landing Park presented by Ray White.

#### Discussion:

Ray White introduced Tom Darby and Adam Nole with Mid-Atlantic NAP and thanked them for joining the meeting today.

MOTION: Michael Standing SECOND: Joseph Strange APPROVED: 10-0-0

#### TOWN CENTER

Approval of a Resolution authorizing the renewal of the Open-Air Café
 Agreement for Virginia Restaurant Holding, LLC (d/b/a Quirks) presented by
 Debbie Zywna.

#### No Discussion

MOTION: Penny Morgan SECOND: Guenter Weissenseel

APPROVED: 10-0-0

# **ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

- VBDA Priorities: No discussionVBDA Members: No discussion
- 10. Director's Report:

Deputy Director Taylor Adams recognized Ray White who is retiring after 27 years. He has worked right up to the last day in the office. Mr. Adams thanked Ray for his service to the community with a great career in Economic Development in Virginia Beach and throughout the region. Mr. Adams wished Mr. White the very best going forward and thanked him for all he has done. Charlie Bauman will be serving as Interim Coordinator while we search to fill the position.

Mr. Adams also announced that he would be following the direction of the City Manager and keeping the title of Economic Development Director for the foreseeable future. The reason is that the City Manager likes being connected with the work and directly connected to the economy. With that, he has agreed to allow our department to hire 2 deputy directors. Kathy Warren has the permanent title of Deputy Director of Project Delivery, and the City Manager has allowed me to create a second deputy director over business attraction. That position has been advertised and closed and interviews are scheduled in the coming days. Laura Chalk has agreed to serve in an acting capacity while we go through the search. Mr. Adams thanked Laura and Charlie for being willing to step up and serve in these acting roles while we go through the search.

Nneka Chiazor congratulated Ray on his wonderful service and said that last week she was at a Virginia Tech Conference, titled Women Impact Virginia, and had the privilege of sitting next to Traci Gregoria with G2 Ops who sang Ray's praises. She talked about the support that Ray had given her as a business owner as well as the Development Authority, particularly through the pandemic. So, I wanted to give a shout-out to your service and to Taylor and the staff for all you do for our community.

Mr. Adams also shared that he was hip-deep in closing the Atlantic Park Project and wanted to thank the Board for their action on that this morning as it was a critical step for us in closing.

Chair Lisa Murphy thanked Ray White for 27 years of service and congratulated Laura Chalk as well.

David Bernd arrived at 8:58 am as Chair Lisa Murphy moved to recess into a closed session.

# RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

The VBDA moved to recess into a closed session pursuant to the exemptions from open meetings allowed by Section 2.2-3711(A) of the Code of Virginia (1950), as amended, for the following purposes:

PROSPECTIVE BUSINESS OR INDUSTRY: Discussion concerning a prospective business or industry or the expansion of an existing business or industry where no previous announcement has been made of the business' or industry's interest in locating or expanding its facilities in the community, pursuant to Va. Code § 2.2-3711(A)(5). (District 3)

PUBLICLY-HELD PROPERTY: Discussion or consideration of the acquisition of real property for a public purpose, or of the disposition of publicly held real property, where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating strategy of the public body, pursuant to Va. Code § 2.2-3711(A)(3). (District 6)

LEGAL MATTERS: Consultation with legal counsel employed or retained by a public body regarding specific legal matters requiring the provision of legal advice by such counsel, pursuant to Va. Code § 2.2-3711(A)(7). (District 2) (District 6)

MOTION: William Brunke SECOND: Nneka Chiazor APPROVED: 11-0-0

## RECONVENED INTO OPEN SESSION

# CERTIFIED CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: Joseph Strange SECOND: William Brunke APPROVED: 11-0-0

Chair Lisa Murphy adjourned the meeting at 9:45 am.

Lisa M. Murphy, Chair



October 18, 2022

Ms. Vicki L. Kelley Clerk, Virginia Beach Development Authority 4525 Main Street, Suite 700 Virginia Beach, Virginia 23462

Re: Abstention/Disclosure Pursuant to Conflict of Interests Act § 2.2-3114(E)

Dear Ms. Kelley:

- 1. I am executing this written disclosure and abstention regarding the City of Virginia Beach Development Authority's discussion and/or vote on a request by Norfolk-Virginia Beach Airport, LLC (the "Company"), for approval of construction plans on property located in the Airport Industrial Park.
- 2. I have a personal interest in Willcox & Savage, P.C. located at 440 Monticello Avenue Suite 2200 Norfolk, Virginia 23510.
- 3. As a part of my employment with Willcox & Savage, P.C. I provide legal services to an affiliate of the Company on other matters. The Company's address is 2859 Virginia Beach Blvd., #106, Virginia Beach, Virginia 23452.
- 4. Therefore, I will abstain from voting on the proposed request for waiver by the Company.

Please record this declaration in the official records of City of Virginia Beach Development Authority. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely

isa M. Murphy

Chair

LMM/AWS



October 18, 2022

Mrs. Vicki L. Kelley Clerk, Virginia Beach Development Authority 4525 Main Street, Suite 700 Virginia Beach, Virginia 23462

Re: Abstention/Disclosure Pursuant to Conflict of Interests Act § 2.2-3114(E)

Dear Ms. Kelley:

Pursuant to the State and Local Government Conflict of Interests Act, I make the following declaration:

- 1. I am executing this written disclosure regarding the City of Virginia Beach Development Authority's discussion and/or vote related to the Dome Site Project at its October 18, 2022 meeting.
- 2. I have a personal relationship with the owners of property located at 324 Virginia Beach Boulevard which may be impacted by the proposed development.
- 3. Therefore, I will abstain from participating in the discussion and/or vote on this matter.

Please include this disclosure in the official records of the Development Authority. Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Michael J. Standing Commissioner

MJS/AWS/csk