

Minutes: Meeting of the Metropolitan Government Board of Fair Commissioners

Date: November 12, 2024 4:00 p.m.

On the above referenced date, the November meeting for the Board of Fair Commissioners was held at Geodis Park in the Multi-Purpose Room. Commissioners in attendance included:

Chair Jasper Hendricks  
Vice-Chair Todd Hartley  
Commissioner Anthony Owens  
Commissioner Diego Eguiarte

Also, in attendance:

Laura Womack, Fairgrounds Executive Director  
Kristi Harris, Fair Board Secretary  
Satrice Allen, Fairgrounds Finance and Administrative Manager  
Ryan Jensen, Fairgrounds Event Services Manager  
Erica Haber and Phylinda Ramsey, Metro Legal  
David Hickinbotham, GHP  
Ed Henley, Pillars Development  
Lindsey Paola, Nashville Soccer Club  
Dirk Melton, MarketStreet Enterprises

Chair Hendricks called the meeting to order and read the legal notice. He then moved the approval of the October meeting minutes until later in the meeting. There was one public comment.

Director Womack reported that the mayor would do the ribbon cutting for Christmas Village coming up and invited everyone to come.

Ms. Allen reported on the monthly financials. Mr. Jensen went over some strategies to recruit more event business and flea market vendors and customers. There were some questions and some discussion and suggestions. There was no report on Personnel or items in Old Business.

Director Womack went over the strategic plan survey results and added that they could do another survey at some point, if needed. Commissioner Eguiarte stated, for the record, that this survey was informational only and that it did not drive any of the board's decisions.

Motions:

Vice-Chair Hartley: *"I make a motion to move our fair board meetings to 9 a.m. on Tuesdays on the same day of the month."*

Commissioner Eguiarte seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion was passed effective immediately starting with the December meeting.

Chair Hendricks then moved to the approval of the October meeting minutes. Commissioner Owens made a motion to accept the minutes and Vice-Chair Hartley seconded the motion. All were in favor and the minutes were approved.

Commissioner Eguiarte stated that he would be glad to attend the mid-year (budget) review with staff and Director Womack stated she would be glad to have him be there.

Vice-Chair Hartley then made a motion to adjourn. All were in favor and the meeting was dismissed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Chair, Jasper Hendricks

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Executive Director, Laura Womack