

Minutes: Meeting of the Metropolitan Government Board of Fair Commissioners

Date: December 10, 2024 9:00 a.m.

On the above referenced date, the November meeting for the Board of Fair Commissioners was held in Expo 2 at the Fairgrounds. Commissioners in attendance included:

Chair Jasper Hendricks

Commissioner Anthony Owens

Commissioner Diego Eguiarte

Also, in attendance:

Laura Womack, Fairgrounds Executive Director

Satrice Allen, Fairgrounds Finance and Administrative Manager

Lora Fox, 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 to the approval of the November meeting minutes. Commissioner Owens made a motion to approve, and Commissioner Eguiarte seconded the motion. All were in favor and the minutes were passed. There was one public comment.

Director Womack introduced Ryan Hanna who is the interim General Manager for Southern Hospitality (SOHO).

Ms. Allen reported on the monthly financials. Director Womack reported that Metro was revamping their pay policies and procedures for FY26 and if there was anything the board wanted to request or discuss specifically for the fairgrounds, to let her know. She added there would be more information on this later. Chair Hendricks requested a representative from procurement attend the next meeting to discuss the RFP process.

After a lengthy discussion Commissioners agreed that the mission statement needed to be updated and that the strategic plan needed to be more specific with measurable benchmarks and more tactical information included and to express more of a whole plan or vision. There was no New Business.

Commissioner Eguiarte then made a motion to adjourn, and Commissioner Owens seconded the motion. 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