Minutes: Meeting of the Metropolitan Government Board of Fair Commissioners

Date: May 12th, 2026   9:00 a.m.

On the above-mentioned date, the May meeting for the Board of Fair Commissioners was held in Expo 2 at the Fairgrounds.
Commissioners in attendance included:
Chair Jasper Hendricks
Vice-Chair Todd Hartley
Commissioner Anthony Owens
Commissioner Diego Eguiarte
Commissioner Brittany Tabor

Also in attendance:
Laura Womack, Fairgrounds Executive Director
Satrice Allen, Fairgrounds Finance and Administrative Manager
Ryan Jensen, Fairgrounds Event Services Director
Scott Jones, Fairgrounds Fair Director
Emily Tatum, Metro Legal
Lindsey Paola, Nashville Soccer Club
Anthony Tate, Track Enterprises
Dirk Melton, Pillars Development
John Cheney, Collier Engineering
Terry Vo, Councilmember

Chair Hendricks called the meeting to order and read the legal notice. He then asked for a motion to approve the March and April meeting minutes. Vice-Chair Hartley stated*, "So moved".* Commissioner Eguiarte seconded the motion. All were in favor, and both sets of minutes were approved. There were two public comments.

Ms. Paola gave a brief soccer update. Mr. Melton gave a mixed-use project report. And Mr. Tate gave a quick speedway update.

Mr. Cheney went over all the current projects at the Fairgrounds. Chair Hendricks then moved to Division Updates on the agenda.

Mr. Jensen reported on corporate sales and flea market. Mr. Jones gave a quick update on the fair. He also announced that the American Black Hereford Association would be bringing their national show to the Nashville Fair. And Ms. Allen gave a monthly financial report.

Director Womack suggested that they have a Personnel Sub-committee meeting prior to the July meeting and mentioned the proposed pay plan and performance evaluations coming up. She went over several things in her Director's Report including the strategic work plan, the revised charter refiling meeting and reminding the board that they needed to elect officers (and for the Personnel Sub-committee as well) at the June meeting for the upcoming year. Chair Hendricks asked for guidance from legal on whether or not to be involved in the charter revision discussions and meeting and Metro Legal recommended that they not be involved as a representative of the Fair Board but could attend that meeting as a citizen.

Councilmember Vo asked for a more detailed breakdown of the expenses and revenue on the speedway. Chair Hendricks then moved to New Business on the agenda.

Director Womack then went over the four observations from the Audit Report. Vice-Chair Hartley made a motion stating, "*I move to accept the findings of the audit and to direct the staff to implement those findings.*" Commissioner Equiarte seconded the motion. All were in favor and the motion was passed.

After a request from the public to change the meeting time, the Board stated that they would like to keep the meeting time the same. It was stated that the public could email in requests and comments before the meeting.

Chair Hendricks welcomed new board member, Brittany Tabor, and then asked for a motion to adjourn. Vice-Chair Hartley stated, *"So moved."* Commissioner Eguiarte seconded the motion, all were in favor and the meeting was dismissed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Chair, Jasper Hendricks Executive Director, Laura Womack