City of St. Louis Downtown Development Authority

Minutes of Regular Meeting: April 24, 2025

Present: Peterman, Lewis, Bailey, Giles, Coty, Minor, Nannan, Castle and Leppien

Absent/Excused: Eilts, Saurman

Meeting called to order by Peterman at 12:15 p.m.

Minutes for the meeting of February 13 were reviewed. Quarterly Report will be reviewed at the July 24 regular meeting.

Moved by Giles, supported by Lewis to approve the Minutes of February 13, 2025 and place them on file. All Ayes/Motion Carried.

Financial statement presented through March 31, 2025.

Moved by Lewis, supported by Nannan to approve the financials through March 31, 2025 and place them on file. All Ayes/Motion Carried.

Quarterly DDA Staff report. Leppien presented the report which includes:

Projects/Available Properties/Business Attraction Streetscape Improvements/Maintenance/Signage Promotion/Advertising/Events

DDA Façade Grant Program

Office of Human Services – The Board would like more information on the nature of the work being performed. Motion by Giles, supported by Bailey to move the decision of approval to the next Board meeting on July 24, 2025. All Ayes/Motion Carried.

Kubin's Furniture – Motion by Giles, supported by Coty to approve up to \$3,000 toward new rear-entrance doors. All Ayes except for Minor who Abstained/Motion Carried.

Wright Agency – Motion by Bailey, supported by Coty to approve up to \$2,592.67 toward exterior improvements. All Ayes/Motion Carried.

Discussed interest in the façade grant and the changes made at the previous meeting. It was determined that the higher ceiling and longer term warranted more funding toward the grant.

Motion by Giles, supported by Lewis to increase the budget for façade grants through June 30, 2026 to \$24,000. All Ayes/Motion Carried.

Discussed the use of a specific Downtown Development Authority logo. The Board had no issues, and the logo will begin to be used on relevant documents.

Discussed 111 North Mill Street as the lease is ending October 1, 2025. No determination was made, and the issue will be revisited in future meetings.

Meeting adjourned at 12:55 PM.

NEXT MEETING DATE IS

THURSDAY, JULY 24, 2025

AT 12:15 PM IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS IN ST. LOUIS CITY HALL