

The Tower District Governing Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday September 19, 2024 4:00 pm 2401 Riverside Blvd

Minutes

Board Members Present: Mike Caselli, Kevin Grimes, Rob Vellanoweth, Hilary Harkins, Sam Varon, Andrew Skanchy, David Gull, Helen Yee

Board Members Absent: Jon Gianulias, Scott Kingston, Noah Painter, Luisa Jou-Penchev, Grant Mack

Guests: Joan Borucki, Jay Rudin, Aaron Zeff, Sharon Ito, Councilmember Elect Phil Pluckebaum, Shawn Kahan, Curtis Currier, Zachary Eaton

- 1. Sept 19th Meeting was called to order at 4:15 pm by President Grimes. Roll call was taken to establish quorum. Quorum was established.
- Consent Calendar A motion to approve the minutes for the May 9 and 13, 2024 meetings
 was made by Director Gull and seconded by Director Harkin. The motion passed. Financials
 were presented.
- 3. Sac PD Update Lt. Zachary Eaton, South Command shared the latest crime statistics with the Board. Trends seem to be going in the right direction, however there is some concern that businesses are not reporting.
- 4. Board Actions Needed
 - a. Sacramento Buddhist Church Ms. Sharon Ito presented information about the Sacramento Buddhist Church 125th Anniversary Celebration and requested a sponsorship from the Tower District. Director Grimes offered a motion to support with a \$1000.00 sponsorship and Director Yee seconded. The motion passed.
 - b. Security Contract Aaron Zeff presented to the board information and background of Elite 1 Protection Services. Director Grimes explained the recruitment and interview process to hire a new security firm and recommended that the Board enter into a contract with Elite 1. Director Gull made the motion to approve, and Director Skanchy seconded. The motion passed.
 - c. Third Space Shawn Kahan and Curtis Currier presented the Third Space concept to be held under the W/X freeway at 6th St. The Event would be billed as a Tower District Event. Director Gull made a motion and Director Grimes seconded it. The motion was to set the Tower District's intent to sponsor at \$30,000 pending contract and permitting approvals.
- 5. Clean, Safe and Physical Environment ED Borucki gave an update on various placemaking and event projects previously approved by the Board.
- 6. Meeting was ended at 5:45 pm.