# BOARD MINUTES Monday, July 20, 2020 5:30 p.m.

The FHRA Board met in public session at 9001 E. 59<sup>th</sup> Street, Lawrence Government Center Public Assembly Room, Lawrence, IN at 5:30 p.m. Meeting called to order by Jeff Congdon. Quorum was met.

Members Present in Person: Jeff Congdon, Karen Horth Powers, Russell Brown

Members Present on Call: Matt Hall

Staff Present: Aletha Dunston, Heather Millikan, April Pyatt

Mr. Congdon called the meeting to order and stated there was a quorum.

## **Update from the Secretary Treasurer:**

Mr. Brown stated the monthly financials for June were available in the back of the room. He also stated the 2019 FHRA audit was currently underway and there should be a draft soon.

#### **New Business:**

## **Update from Executive Director:**

Ms. Dunston stated the FHRA was award the TechPoint Rising Tech City Award to celebrate all the work at Fort Ben. The FHRA hopes to host a celebration in the future. On Lawton Loop, the Village of Merici has closed on their second building. Context Design has closed on the former jail building and will be moving into the new location soon. The FHRA has almost finished the access road around the PX building. Plantings will go in in the Fall and then FHRA can turn that road over to the City as a public right of way. The FHRA will release a call for offers for the PX building. The FHRA has finished the architectural review for the hotel. The project is moving forward although there is one modification with the City of Indianapolis. The FHRA is still talking to the Indianapolis Public Library and are working on establishing a milestone calendar to be announced to the public soon. There have been 24 of 60 lots sold at Phase 3 at the David Weekley Homes project. Cityscape residential have started work to develop The Standard which will be 260-unit apartments. The FHRA has donated the former WWII communications building to the Arts for Lawrence Cultural Campus. The building will be relocated to Post Road behind the Theater and Sterrett Center along with other amenities.

A gentleman asked if there were plans to be reviewed for the hotel. Ms. Dunston stated there are plans and they have been thru the FHRA architectural review process and that will identify anything that does not meet code at the Fort. The plans also have to be reviewed by the City of Indianapolis. Once that approval is obtained, they will be able to apply for City of Lawrence permits.

## Approval of Minutes:

First item of new business was approval of meeting minutes from June 15, 2020. Mr. Brown made a motion to approve the minutes and Ms. Horth Powers seconded the motion. A role call was taken for each board member to vote. Mr. Congdon voted aye, Ms. Horth Powers voted aye, Mr. Brown voted aye, and Mr. Hall voted aye. The motion was unanimously approved.

The next item of new business was approval of meeting minutes from the special meeting on July 9, 2020. Mr. Brown made a motion to approve the minutes and Ms. Horth Powers seconded the motion. A role call was taken for each board member to vote. Mr. Congdon voted aye, Ms. Horth Powers voted aye, Mr. Brown voted aye, and Mr. Hall voted aye. The motion was unanimously approved.

The next item of new business was approval of Resolution 2020-02 which was to authorize the sale of a parcel of real estate located at 5803 Lawton Loop East Drive. Ms. Horth Powers made a motion to approve the Resolution and Mr. Brown seconded. A role call was taken for each board member to vote. Mr. Congdon voted aye, Ms. Horth Powers voted aye, Mr. Brown voted aye, and Mr. Hall voted aye. The motion was unanimously approved.

#### News at the Fort:

Ms. Dunston gave an update and dates of community activities at Fort Ben.

- Fort Ben and the City of Lawrence were awarded the 'Rising Tech City' Mira Award by TechPoint on June 18th – celebration details pending!
- Identity & Perception of Lawrence Breakfast Connections August 6th from 7:30-9:00am -The ReSet Center (4330 N. Post Road) – Register with Greater Lawrence Chamber of Commerce
- Brief Lawrence Parks Master Plan web survey before Sunday, August 16<sup>th</sup> https://citvoflawrence.org/master-plan/
- Business Matters Luncheon FHRA Redevelopment Review August 25 11:30-1:00pm -Sterrett Center (8950 Otis Ave) – Register with the Greater Lawrence Chamber
- Save the Date: Lawrence Labor Day Festival September 5, 2020
- GLC Cruise In 5:00-8:00pm 8700 Block of East Otis Ave/Lawton Loop
- Fort Ben Farmers Market –4pm-7pm Thursday June 4 October 1 at Civic Plaza (9230 Memorial Park Drive)
- Unless an exception is made, all board meetings will be held the 3rd Mondays at 5:30pm in the Public Assembly Room of the Lawrence Government Center at 9001 E. 59th Street.
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The next public meeting will be at the Lawrence Government Center Public Assembly Room on August 17, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. Masks are required.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ms. Horth Powers and seconded by Mr. Brown. A role call was taken for each board member to vote. Mr. Congdon voted aye, Ms. Horth Powers voted aye, Mr. Brown voted aye, and Mr. Hall voted aye. The motion was unanimous and the meeting adjourned.

Russell Brown, Secretary/Treasurer,

KYLE WALKER, PRESIDEN