

Board Meeting (Tuesday, December 12, 2023)

Members present

Bernie DuBray, Carol Klein, Chuck Gross, Dionne Flowers, Glenn Powers, Gov Jay Nixon, Karlton Thornton, McGraw Milhaven, Monica Huddleston, Neal Perryman

Meeting called to order at 11:30 AM

1. OPENING OF MEETING

Procedural: A. CALL TO ORDER

Procedural: B. OPEN TIME

Action: C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
TO APPROVE THE AGENDA

Motion by Karlton Thornton, second by Gov Jay Nixon.

Final Resolution: Do Pass

Aye: Bernie DuBray, Dionne Flowers, Glenn Powers, Gov Jay Nixon, Karlton Thornton, McGraw Milhaven, Monica Huddleston, Neal Perryman

Not Present at Vote: Carol Klein, Chuck Gross

Action, Minutes: D. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES November Committee of the Whole Agenda AND Action, Minutes: E. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES November 2023 Board Meeting

TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS MAY BE CORRECTED for both meetings

Motion by Bernie DuBray, second by Karlton Thornton.

Final Resolution: Do Pass

Aye: Bernie DuBray, Dionne Flowers, Glenn Powers, Gov Jay Nixon, Karlton Thornton, McGraw Milhaven, Monica Huddleston, Neal Perryman

Not Present at Vote: Carol Klein, Chuck Gross

2. PRESENTATION (S)

Discussion: A. 2nd Review - Draft 2024 Strategic Plan, Operating, Capital & Comprehensive Capital Improvements Programs Agreements Budgets - Mike Carson

Discussion: B. Q3 2023 Financial Statement Presentation - Mike Carson

Reports: C. Regional Leadership Summit Debrief - Ben Grossman

3. PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

4. REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Action: A. Budget and Finance Committee/CHUCK GROSS -approval and acceptance of the Q3 2023 financial statements subject to audit and authorizing other actions to effectuate the same. - Mike Carson

Motion by Bernie DuBray, second by Glenn Powers.

Final Resolution: Do Pass

Aye: Bernie DuBray, Carol Klein, Chuck Gross, Dionne Flowers, Glenn Powers, Gov Jay Nixon, Karlton Thornton, McGraw Milhaven, Monica Huddleston, Neal Perryman

5. REPORT(s) OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER: SUSAN TRAUTMAN

Reports: A. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Reports: B. NOTICE OF CONTRACTS EXECUTED - No Contracts Executed to Report for November

6. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Action: A. Committee of the Whole - That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.97 approving the 2024 Operating Budget and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Mike Carson

Motion by Gov Jay Nixon, second by McGraw Milhaven.

Final Resolution: Do Pass

Aye: Bernie DuBray, Carol Klein, Chuck Gross, Dionne Flowers, Glenn Powers, Gov Jay Nixon, Karlton Thornton, McGraw Milhaven, Monica Huddleston, Neal Perryman

Action: B. Committee of the Whole - That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.98 approving the 2024 Capital Budget and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Mike Carson

Motion by Carol Klein, second by Gov Jay Nixon.

Final Resolution: Do Pass

Aye: Bernie DuBray, Carol Klein, Chuck Gross, Dionne Flowers, Glenn Powers, Gov Jay Nixon, Karlton Thornton, McGraw Milhaven, Monica Huddleston, Neal Perryman

Action (Consent): C. Committee of the Whole - That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.99 approving the 2024 Comprehensive Capital Improvements Program Agreement Budget in connection with the CityArchRiver projects in the Mississippi Greenway and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Mike Carson

Motion by Gov Jay Nixon, second by Karlton Thornton.

Final Resolution: Do Pass

Aye: Bernie DuBray, Carol Klein, Chuck Gross, Dionne Flowers, Glenn Powers, Gov Jay Nixon, Karlton Thornton, McGraw Milhaven, Monica Huddleston, Neal Perryman

7. APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS - MULTIPLE REVENUE STREAMS

Action: A. That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.100 approving a contract renewal not to exceed \$25,000 with UHY Advisors MO, Inc., in connection with Accounting and Internal Audit Services and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Mike Carson

Motion by Chuck Gross, second by Bernie DuBray.

Final Resolution: Do Pass

Aye: Bernie DuBray, Carol Klein, Chuck Gross, Dionne Flowers, Glenn Powers, Gov Jay Nixon, Karlton Thornton, McGraw Milhaven, Monica Huddleston, Neal Perryman

Action: B. That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.101 approving a contract not to exceed \$30,000 with Schmersahl Treloar & Co., P.C. in connection with the 2023 fiscal audit and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. -Mike Carson

Motion by Chuck Gross, second by Glenn Powers.

Final Resolution: Do Pass

Aye: Bernie DuBray, Carol Klein, Chuck Gross, Dionne Flowers, Glenn Powers, Gov Jay Nixon, Karlton Thornton, McGraw Milhaven, Monica Huddleston, Neal Perryman

Action: C. That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.102 approving a St. Louis Community Credit Union depository account number to be utilized for investment of District and/or CAR Funds and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Michelle Bock

Motion by Glenn Powers, second by McGraw Milhaven.

Final Resolution: Do Pass

Aye: Bernie DuBray, Carol Klein, Chuck Gross, Dionne Flowers, Glenn Powers, Gov Jay Nixon, Karlton Thornton, McGraw Milhaven, Monica Huddleston, Neal Perryman

Action: D. That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.103 approving a contract amendment not to exceed \$120,000 with Nexus Group in connection with government relations services for the State of Missouri and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Michelle Bock

Motion by Carol Klein, second by McGraw Milhaven.

Final Resolution: Do Pass Previous Roll

Aye: Bernie DuBray, Carol Klein, Chuck Gross, Dionne Flowers, Glenn Powers, Gov Jay Nixon, Karlton Thornton, McGraw Milhaven, Monica Huddleston, Neal Perryman

Action: E. That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.104 amending a professional services contract not to exceed \$120,000 with Holland & Knight LLP in connection with Federal Government Relations services and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Michelle Bock

Motion by Bernie DuBray, second by Carol Klein.

Final Resolution: Do Pass Previous Roll

Aye: Bernie DuBray, Carol Klein, Chuck Gross, Dionne Flowers, Glenn Powers, Gov Jay Nixon, Karlton Thornton, McGraw Milhaven, Monica Huddleston, Neal Perryman

Action: F. That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.105 approving a Contract Renewal with Husch Blackwell LLP in connection with comprehensive legal services and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Michelle Bock

Motion by Gov Jay Nixon, second by Karlton Thornton.

Final Resolution: Do Pass Previous Roll

Aye: Bernie DuBray, Carol Klein, Chuck Gross, Dionne Flowers, Glenn Powers, Gov Jay Nixon, Karlton Thornton, McGraw Milhaven, Monica Huddleston, Neal Perryman

8. APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS - GRG 1/10TH REVENUE STREAM

Action: A. That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.106 approving a contract not to exceed \$167,498 with Munie Outdoor Services, Inc. in connection with conservation services and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Tom Schweiss

Motion by Glenn Powers, second by Carol Klein.

Final Resolution: Do Pass

Aye: Bernie DuBray, Carol Klein, Chuck Gross, Dionne Flowers, Glenn Powers, Gov Jay Nixon, Karlton Thornton, McGraw Milhaven, Monica Huddleston, Neal Perryman

Action: B. That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.107 approving a contract not to exceed \$107,270 with Missouri Botanical Garden in connection with the Outdoor Leadership Corps program and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Tom Schweiss

Motion by Chuck Gross, second by Karlton Thornton.

Final Resolution: Do Pass

Aye: Bernie DuBray, Chuck Gross, Glenn Powers, Gov Jay Nixon, Karlton Thornton, McGraw Milhaven, Monica Huddleston, Neal Perryman

Abstain: Carol Klein

Not Present at Vote: Dionne Flowers

Action: C. That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.108 approving a contract not to exceed \$380,561 with Kendall, LLC in connection with Boschert Greenway Signage Improvements and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Susan Jankowski

Motion by Gov Jay Nixon, second by McGraw Milhaven.

Final Resolution: Do Pass

Aye: Bernie DuBray, Carol Klein, Chuck Gross, Dionne Flowers, Glenn Powers, Gov Jay Nixon, Karlton Thornton, McGraw Milhaven, Monica Huddleston, Neal Perryman

Action: D. That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.109 approving a Contract Amendment not to exceed \$67,000 with M3 Engineering Group, P.C. in connection with Mississippi Greenway: Maline Creek Streambank Stabilization and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Grace Wright

Motion by Chuck Gross, second by Glenn Powers.

Final Resolution: Do Pass Previous Roll

Aye: Bernie DuBray, Carol Klein, Chuck Gross, Dionne Flowers, Glenn Powers, Gov Jay Nixon, Karlton Thornton, McGraw Milhaven, Monica Huddleston, Neal Perryman

9. APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS - GRG 3/16TH REVENUE STREAM

Action: A. That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.110 approving a contract amendment not to exceed \$150,000 with Lochmueller Group, Inc. in connection with Brickline Greenway and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Lonny Boring

Motion by Karlton Thornton, second by Carol Klein.

Final Resolution: Do Pass

Aye: Bernie DuBray, Carol Klein, Chuck Gross, Glenn Powers, Gov Jay Nixon, Karlton Thornton, McGraw Milhaven, Monica Huddleston, Neal Perryman

Not Present at Vote: Dionne Flowers

Action: B. That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.111 approving a funding agreement for at least \$2,000,000 with the City of St. Louis in connection with Brickline Greenway and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Lonny Boring

Motion by Glenn Powers, second by Carol Klein.

Final Resolution: Do Pass

Aye: Bernie DuBray, Carol Klein, Chuck Gross, Dionne Flowers, Glenn Powers, Gov Jay Nixon, Karlton Thornton, McGraw Milhaven, Monica Huddleston, Neal Perryman

Action: C. That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.112 approving and ratifying contract amendments not to exceed \$61,600 and extending the period of service with Via Partnership, LLP in connection with Brickline Greenway and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. -Todd Antoine

Motion by Bernie DuBray, second by Chuck Gross.

Final Resolution: Do Pass Previous Roll

Aye: Bernie DuBray, Dionne Flowers, Glenn Powers, Gov Jay Nixon, Karlton Thornton, McGraw Milhaven, Monica Huddleston, Neal Perryman

Nay: Chuck Gross

Abstain: Carol Klein

Action: D. That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.113 approving a Contract Amendment not to exceed \$100,000 with Anna Leavey, LLC in connection with Brickline Greenway and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Mark Vogl

Motion by Glenn Powers, second by Carol Klein.

Final Resolution: Do Pass

Aye: Bernie DuBray, Carol Klein, Chuck Gross, Dionne Flowers, Glenn Powers, Gov Jay Nixon, Karlton Thornton, McGraw Milhaven, Monica Huddleston, Neal Perryman

Action: E. That the Board adopt Resolutions 2023.114 approving a Contract not to exceed \$165,000 with Vector Communications in connection with Brickline Greenway Engagement Services and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Shaughnessy Daniels

Motion by Dionne Flowers, second by Karlton Thornton.

Final Resolution: Do Pass Previous roll

Aye: Bernie DuBray, Carol Klein, Chuck Gross, Dionne Flowers, Glenn Powers, Gov Jay Nixon, Karlton Thornton, McGraw Milhaven, Monica Huddleston, Neal Perryman

10. APPROVAL OF CONTRACTS - CAR 3/16TH REVENUE STREAM

Action: A. That the Board adopt Resolution 2023.115 approving a contract for purchase not to exceed \$106,352 with APE Studio in connection with Kiener Plaza Playground and authorizing other actions as necessary to effectuate the same. - Susan Jankowski

Motion by Dionne Flowers, second by Gov Jay Nixon.

Final Resolution: Do Pass

Aye: Bernie DuBray, Carol Klein, Chuck Gross, Dionne Flowers, Glenn Powers, Gov Jay Nixon, Karlton Thornton, McGraw Milhaven, Monica Huddleston, Neal Perryman

11. CLOSED SESSION

Action: A. ENTER INTO CLOSED SESSION

The Board of the Metropolitan Park and Recreation District, d/b/a Great Rivers Greenway, may go into closed session at this meeting if such action is approved by a majority vote of the Board members who constitute a quorum, to discuss legal, confidential or privileged matters under RSMo. §610.021(1); leasing, purchase or sale of real estate under §610.021(2); personnel actions under §610.021(3); specifications for competitive bidding under §610.021(11); sealed bids under §610.021(12); personnel records under §610.021(13); or records under §610.021(14) which are otherwise protected from disclosure by law; or confidential or privileged communications with the District's auditor, including auditor work products under §610.021(17).

Motion by Carol Klein, second by Chuck Gross.

Final Resolution: Do Pass

Aye: Bernie DuBray, Carol Klein, Chuck Gross, Dionne Flowers, Glenn Powers, Gov Jay Nixon, Karlton Thornton, McGraw Milhaven, Monica Huddleston, Neal Perryman

12. ADJOURNMENT

Action: A. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

Motion by Bernie DuBray, second by Carol Klein.

Final Resolution: Do Pass

Aye: Bernie DuBray, Carol Klein, Chuck Gross, Dionne Flowers, Glenn Powers, Gov Jay Nixon, Karlton Thornton, McGraw Milhaven, Monica Huddleston, Neal Perryman

Action: B. ADJOURN

TO ADJOURN THE MEETING

Motion by Chuck Gross, second by McGraw Milhaven.

Final Resolution: Do Pass

Aye: Bernie DuBray, Carol Klein, Chuck Gross, Dionne Flowers, Glenn Powers, Gov Jay Nixon, Karlton Thornton, McGraw Milhaven, Monica Huddleston, Neal Perryman