

HARRIS COUNTY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

REGULAR SESSION

December 13, 2022

6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Craig Greenhaw, Tommy Wright, Rob Grant, Mark Smith, Charles Sweat. Members Absent: Chris Butzon, Mike Stewart, Harry Boyd. Staff Present: Andrea Dzioba, Recording Secretary.

1. **CALL TO ORDER**. Chairman Greenhaw called the meeting to order.
2. **INTRODUCTION/WELCOME**. Chairman Greenhaw introduced and welcomed Tommy Wright and Rob Grant. Mr. Wright is a new member and Commissioner Grant has been appointed to replace Commissioner Langston on the Development Authority as her term on the Board will be ending at the end of December.
3. **MINUTES**. The motion to approve the minutes of the November 8, 2022 Regular Session was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Sweat, and passed unanimously.
4. **OLD BUSINESS**
 - A. **Update on Northwest Harris Business Park Project**. Chairman Greenhaw brought the Development Authority up to date on the project including that the project is moving right along; is approximately 35-40% complete; that the contractor has not hit rock yet; that the property may be marketable through the Georgia Department of Community Affairs (DCA); and that one prospect could not utilize the property since there isn't any rail. Chairman Greenhaw advised that there is some tough competition out there.
5. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. **Cancellation of Memorandum of Lease Agreement with Callaway Gardens Resort, Inc. Dated November 1, 2001**. Chairman Greenhaw introduced this agenda item and provided some background. Discussion included that the County Attorney Russell Britt has reviewed all of the information and has recommended that the cancellation of Memorandum of Lease Agreement be approved and executed. The motion to approve the cancellation of the Memorandum of Lease Agreement with Callaway Gardens Resort, Inc. dated November 1, 2001 and authorize the Chairman to execute the Cancellation of the Lease was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Sweat, and passed unanimously.
 - B. **TNT Steel Structures Property**. Chairman Greenhaw advised that he was contacted by John Tarver of TNT Steel and provided some background related to the agreement between the Development Authority and Harris County and the agreements, including the amendments, with TNT Steel Structures. Mr. Tarver has informed Chairman Greenhaw that he is in the process of moving forward to build the building on the property. The motion to recommend working towards sale of the property to include the dissolution of the contracts was made by Mr. Smith, seconded by Mr. Sweat, and passed unanimously.
 - C. **Intergovernmental Agreement with Harris County**. County Clerk Andrea Dzioba recommended that since this intergovernmental agreement had already been reviewed by the County Attorney that the Development Authority consider approval of the agreement so that they can move forward with advertising the Economic Development position. This agreement could then go to the Board of Commissioners for their consideration. The motion to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with Harris County was made by Mr. Sweat, seconded by Mr. Smith, and passed unanimously.
 - D. **Economic Development Position Contract**. Mr. Sweat advised that thoughts are still being considered on how to measure and evaluate the individual who may be in the position. Chairman Greenhaw advised that the contract can be looked at as the process is worked through. Discussion included the upcoming budget process; the current amounts listed in the possible budget breakdowns; possible locations for the position to be officed; and that additional conversation will be needed as to where the person would be officed.

6. **ADJOURNMENT**. The meeting was adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

Prepared by:

Craig Greenhaw, Chairman

Andrea R. Dzioba, Recording Secretary