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AGGIEVILLE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
ADVISORY BOARD
Bluestem Bistro
July 11, 2014
11:00 AM

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mark Skochdople, Krista Bramhall, Kevin Peirce and Jeff Koenig

MEMBERS ABSENT: Steve Levin and Megan Curtin

STAFF PRESENT: Karen Davis, Director of Community Development

Approve the minutes of the meeting of April 25, 2015. Approved as submitted.

Discuss the 2015 budget recommendation and ABID member outreach efforts

Jeff Koenig summarized the past actions of the Board to provide a budget and fee recommendation for 2014. At its April 25th meeting the Board approved a recommendation for the 2015 BID fees and budget. In summary the recommendation was made to increase fees for Classes 1-5 by 10% and modify Class 6 for businesses that are 5,000 square feet or larger. Class 6 would be assessed at \$.20 per square foot of gross leasable area. The current total revenue estimate for 2015 is \$61,500. Given the late date of this discussion, it's unlikely the Board would be able to suggest a 2015 total budget that increases fees higher than this amount.

Members discussed the 2015 budget, and the final issues needed to resolve the recommendation of Class 6 fees. Several options were discussed. Members also determined that creation of a recommendation for the 2016 ABID budget should begin in Fall 2014, so that impacts on businesses can be addressed and members can be consulted early.

After discussion, it was moved by Mark Skochdople that the 2015 Class 1-5 fee increase of 10% as previously approved by the Board be confirmed, and the Class 6 fee be set at a new amount of \$1,250. After a second from Kevin Pierce, the motion was approved on a vote of 4-0. Davis indicated these changes would be implemented through a change to the ABID ordinance which would be considered by the City Commission in early October.

Board members agreed that the preparation of the 2016 budget should begin this Fall and regular meetings of the Advisory Board scheduled. The discussion will begin in September and Davis will coordinate the meeting time and place.

In addition, Board members discussed the outreach that needs to be done in order to implement the 2015 fee increases and District expansion. All agreed Davis should coordinate a meeting to coincide with the Aggieville Business Association for a meeting in August.

Discuss increasing the Advisory Board membership.

Members discussed the possibility to increase Board membership to seven persons, in order to prevent problems with a quorum. After discussion, it was moved by Mark Skochdople that the Board recommend the ABID ordinance be modified to increase the Board membership to seven persons. After a second from Kevin Peirce, the motion was approved on a vote of 4-0.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Davis, AICP
Director of Community Development

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