



DVP BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Board Meeting Minutes, Dec. 11, 2019

1. Call to Order & Introductions

a) President David Armstrong called the meeting to order at 8:36am in the Anacapa board room at Crowne Plaza Ventura Beach Hotel.

b) DVP Directors Present: Armstrong, Mike Merewether, Jeff Smith, Emily DeArkland, David Comden, Yvonne Besvold, Angie Hecht and Christy Weir. Quorum met.

Others: Executive Director Kevin Clerici, Activation Manager Julie Henszey, Jim DeArkland (property owner), Akbar Alikhan (City Asst. CM), Cary Glenn (City of Ventura ED office), Police Cmdr. Sam Arroyo and Crpl. Mark Knackstedt.

2. Approval of October Minutes:

a) Continued to January 2020.

3. Approval of July-Oct Financials:

a) Continued to January 2020.

4. DVP Action Items:

a) Formed a Board Subcommittee to discuss downtown-wide parking issues/projects, specifically to develop a recommended action plan for the proposed parking structure at Palm Street & Santa Clara Street. Any subcommittee recommendations would return to full Board for consideration/action at regularly scheduled Jan. 22 meeting. Motion made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Emily DeArkland. Passed unanimously.

b) Request City to move forward immediately (and concurrently with downtown parking master plan) with design package for proposed parking Structure at Palm & Santa Clara Streets. Motion made by Yvonne Besvold, seconded by Emily DeArkland. Passed unanimously, with two abstentions: Christy Weir and David Comden (who now sits on the Ventura Planning Commission). Separate from motions, much of Board discussion focused on importance of sequencing and financing of various coming downtown projects.

c. Adopted 2020 Budget and Work Plan Priorities. Armstrong recommended any 2015-2019 PBID assessment surplus should be spent down in 2020. Motion made by Mike Merewether, seconded by Yvonne Besvold. Passed unanimously.

5. Reports:

a) Police Report. Cmdr. Arroyo praised PTF for arrest of wanted murder suspect. Crpl. Knackstedt reported surveillance cameras are planned for Mission Park. Must first work out line-of-site and communications issues between wireless cameras and City repeater.

b) City Report. Cary Glenn reported that The Trade Desk closed escrow on former BofA parcel and is working on architectural plans for its future headquarters building there and on City owned, adjacent parking lot. TTD also has signed lease with City to take over 4th and 5th floors of 505 building. Construction to begin in Feb, with move-in in May/June. City talks with X Games/ESPN continuing, decision by ESPN expected in March 2020 for X Games to be held in July 2021. ESPN seeking a 3-year deal. X Games made official City visit. Ventura contingent traveling to Aspen where Winter X Games are current held. Asst. City Manager Akbar Alikhan stated that City Attorney had reviewed DVP's written objection to the City's "Official Interpretation of the DTSP Civic Building Overlay Area and Parking Placement" and agreed with its findings. CA would respond in writing to DVP. And staff would be taking proposed Civic Building Overlay Area to City Council for consideration.

c) Parking Advisory Committee report was discussed as part of earlier parking item.

d) ED Clerici presented 2020 Work Plan, including slideshow on various projects. Copies of slideshow available for review.