

SALINAS CITY CENTER IMPROVEMENT ASSOCIATION

Board of Directors Minutes
Thursday, July 13th, 2023 at 10:00am
Salinas, CA 93901

Minutes

		Present	Absent
Board President	Steve Ish	P	
Board Vice President	Catherine Kobrinsky Evans	P	
Board Treasurer	Greg Piini	P	
Board Secretary	Meryl Rasmussen	P	
Board Member	Audrey Wardwell	P	
Board Member	Peter Kasavan	P	
Board Member	Joel Panzer	P	
Board Member	Larry Bussard	P	
Board Member	James Kendall		A (U)
District Coordinator	Gregor Hamer	P	
Government Affairs Director	Kevin Dayton	P	
Counsel	Matt Ottone	P	

Guests: Anthony Lane, Andrew Sandoval, Chris Barrera, Hanna Hitchcock, Bill Lipe,

Item	Discussion	Action
I.	Call to Order Steve Ish 10:02am	none
II.	Convene to Closed Session re: potential litigation. Andrew Sandoval objected that there were no comments prior to the closed session. Counsel stated that was incorrect, but would allow the comments. Adjourned Closed Session. Reconvened Open Session. Comment by Andrew Sandoval - Must be transparent. Do all rules correctly. Invite as many people as you can to meetings. Involve the public. Recommended we find another attorney to give us proper legal advice. Convene to Closed Session re: potential litigation	none
III.	Reconvene Open Session 10:58am	none
IV.	Public Comment	none

V.	Consent Agenda	Motion to adopt Consent Agenda. Joel Panzer (M)/Larry Bussard (S) No Public Comment 8 Aye 0 Nay Motion Passes
VI.	<p>A. Report from President - Very pleased. Downtown is looking great. Public is reaching out and congratulating on how everything looks.</p> <p>B. Report from Treasurer - 2nd property assessment was deposited in our bank accounts.</p> <p>C. Salinas City Center Arch Maintenance Agreement - None</p> <p>D. Revenue report Monterey Street Garage - None</p> <p>E. Special Events Update - Who is on the special events committee from the city? What timeline does the committee need or work on? Is there a process to request support?</p> <p>F. Community Survey Update - Should be bilingual? Or QR codes to different languages.</p> <p>G. How Busy is Salinas City Center - None</p> <p>H. SOBO Statistics - None</p> <p>I. Merchant List/Vacancies - None</p> <p>Public Comment - Bill Lip would like to see accurate page counts. Anthony Lane - Sidewalk spraying schedule was bad last month. Keep the downtown popping!</p>	none
VII.	<p>Plan for Corrective Action to cure Brown Act violation There will be a special meeting to elect new board members. We will expand the range of individuals to expose to the board nominating process. We will educate the board on Brown Act procedures. Nominating committee is Steve Ish, Peter Kasavan, Audrey Wardwell, and Meryl Rasmussen. Counsel suggests discussing with City to assist with legal obligations.</p> <p>Public Comment - Andrew Sandoval pleased that it will be inclusive process. Should include documentation on how to join the board. Bill Lipe says we should publish our bylaws.</p>	<p>Motion to cure Brown Act deficiencies and create nominating committee.</p> <p>Catherine Kobrinsky Evans (M)/Joel Panzer (S) 8 Aye 0 Nay Motion Passes</p>
VIII.	<p>Updates from Ad-Hoc Committees</p> <p>A. DISI</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Received \$35K grant from the Nancy Eccles and Homer M. Hayward Foundation for a mural. Still working towards alley activation projects with large format art. We have 4 murals for the Patria wall to show to public and receive input. Discussed MOU for the Patria building owner for the mural. Sound system put on hold. Still working towards fixing electrical timers. <p>B. SOBO</p>	none

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Discussed qualifications for hiring additional maint crew member. b. Update on the sidewalk cleaning that just finished. <p>C. LUC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Update on fiber trenching. b. Cruising has thus far not impacted downtown very much. c. Kevin is doing research on permit center and how many are issued. In conjunction with SVCC and MCAR. d. Update on Measure X spending. <p>Public Comment - Ms Ortiz spoke on behalf of Artist Ink and Artists Alley for First Friday. They are capable of creating mixed media art. Andrew Sandoval says Salinas artists should be paid artist/fair wages. Anthony Lane has a big back wall for a mural. He will donate the space if needed. Kevin Dayton says the City Arts commission has vacancy in district 1 and 6. Catherine Kobrinsky encourages DISI to keep track of contacts for the Arts. Peter Kasavan says it is hard to fill the vacancy on commission. Bill Lipe says we should look to Sand City for inspiration.</p>	
IX.	<p>Proposal for Allied Security to increase Rates.</p> <p>Market Rate guard is about 17.75-18.75/hour. Monterey County is paying about 17.33/hour. Guards receive mandatory training. There are no staffing requirements to have 2 guards on at the same time, but at night it is highly recommended. Allied Security has different rates for different sites.</p> <p>Motion</p> <p>Public Comment - A Anthony Lane says security is needed. How effective are they? Do we need a schedule adjustment? Bill Lipe wants the information included in the packet.</p> <p>Alternate Motion</p>	<p>Motion to do a 3% increase until 11/30/2023.</p> <p>Greg Piini (M)/Catherine Kobrinsky Evans (S)</p> <p>Motion to table until the next Fiscal Budget.</p> <p>Catherine Kobrinsky Evans (M)/Larry Bussard (S)</p> <p>8 Aye 0 Nay Motion Passes</p>
X.	Meeting Adjourned 12:05PM	