



Greater Louisville Lodging Management District
DBA: Louisville Hotel Partnership (LHP)
401 W. Main Street, Louisville, Kentucky 40202, Suite #2310
July 2024 Meeting

July 29, 2024, at 2:00 PM hosted at AL J. Schneider Company, 401 W. Main Street, Louisville, Kentucky 40202-4th Floor.

Board Members Present:

Eamon O'Brien
Dana Mayton
Samir Shah
Doug Bennett

Andrew Blieden
Jeff Parrish
Andre Donley
Chris Kipper

Janet Tyre
Mariah Gratz
Markus Winkler

Board Members Absent: Jay Nichols, Kaveh Zamanian, and David Greene

GUESTS

Jacob Robbins, sitting in for Mike Shull, Louisville Tourism Attorney; Amber Halloran, LHP Consultant; Cleo Battle, Nick Patel, Jamie Campisano, Stephanie Skinner, and Karen Johnson, recording secretary.

WELCOME

Chairman Eamon O'Brien welcomed everyone to the meeting and officially called the meeting to order at 2:03 PM. **Chairman Eamon O'Brien** introduced the board to **Jamie Campisano** who is currently under review to fill the board vacancy left by **Steve Wilson**. **Chairman Eamon O'Brien** then requested a motion to accept the June 24, 2024, Minutes, as presented. Motion made by **Andrew Blieden**. Seconded by **Samir Shah**. **All in Favor. Motion Carried.**

SUNDANCE FILM FESTIVAL UPDATE

Chairman Eamon O'Brien turned the meeting over to **Cleo Battle** for an update on the Sundance Film Festival. **Cleo Battle** stated that Louisville had made the cut down to six cities for 2027 and beyond and that the competition included Atlanta; Denver/Boulder; Albuquerque/Santa Fe; Salt Lake City/Park City and Cincinnati. The festival occurs in January of each year and attracts 90k-110k visitors. He expects the festival to make a decisions in August or September.

REVIEW OF MAY 2024 YTD FINANCIAL REPORT

Amber Halloran gave the Financial Report. **Amber Halloran** reviewed the May budget sheets with the group and informed them that current TID assets total \$3,837,604 but that amount should increase once the totals for June and interest from the city and the bank are added in.

NOMINATION FOR TREASURER

Chairman Eamon O'Brien recommended combining the officer positions of Secretary, currently held by **Mariah Gratz**, and Treasurer, left vacant by **Steve Wilson**, to ensure consistency in carrying out important functions. After a brief discussion, the group reached a consensus, and **Chairman Eamon O'Brien** requested a motion to appoint **Mariah Gratz** as Treasurer of the District as well as her current capacity as Secretary. Secretary **Gratz** is eligible to serve in both capacities per Article 3, Section 1 of our adopted Procedures. Motion made by **Andrew Blieden**. Seconded by **Andre Donley**. **Motion Carried.** **Mariah Gratz** abstained.

UPDATES ON LHP (GLLMD) OPERATIONS

Amber Halloran informed the group that an Audit RFP was posted on the GLLMD website and submissions were due by August 16, 2024. The investment RFP was also posted with a submission date of August 8, 2024. **Amber Halloran** stated that collections were going well, and June numbers would be



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available in about one week and that Louisville Metro will send out an annual assessment on August 5, 2024. **Amber Halloran** stated that she and **Chris Kipper** are working to close the books, initiate the audit and begin finalizing policies and procedures. **Amber Halloran** updated the group regarding ongoing communications with Priceline and expects payments to be forthcoming soon.

UPDATE UNIVERSITY OF LOUISVILLE PROPOSAL

Chairman Eamon O'Brien informed the group that the agreement with The University of Louisville was nearly finalized and that the initial minor program should be in place by January 2025.

REVIEW OF FUTURE SALES TARGETS

Doug Bennett reviewed and discussed several possible groups with the board.

NEW BUSINESS

Doug Bennett requested to present a confidential possible future project to the board. **Chairman Eamon O'Brien** requested a motion to go into Executive Session under KRS 61.810(1)(g) relating to discussions concerning a specific proposal, if open discussions would jeopardize the siting, retention, expansion, or upgrading of the business. Motion made by **Mariah Gratz**. Seconded by **Andrew Blieden**. **All in Favor.** **Motion Carried.**

The group discussed a possible business opportunity and reached a consensus to vote.

Chairman Eamon O'Brien asked for a motion to exit Executive Session. Motion made by **Mariah Gratz**. Seconded by **Andrew Blieden**. **All in Favor.** **Motion Carried.**

Once resuming open session, **Chairman Eamon O'Brien** requested a motion to approve LHP funds of no more than \$98,500 in an attempt to secure a confidential piece of business presented by Doug Bennett in Executive Session. Motion made by **Mariah Gratz**. Seconded by **Andrew Blieden**. **All in Favor.** **Motion Carried.**

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Eamon O'Brien motioned for adjournment. Motion made by **Andrew Blieden**. Seconded by **Samir Shah**. **All in Favor.** **Motion Carried.** Meeting adjourned at 3:08 PM.

Future LHP Board Meetings

The AL J. Schneider Company
401 W. Main Street, Louisville, Kentucky 40202-4th Floor

- Monday, August 26, 2024
- Monday, September 23, 2024

Minutes submitted by: Recording Secretary Karen Johnson

Minutes approved by:


Eamon O'Brien (Aug 26, 2024 16:25 EDT)

Chair Eamon O'Brien


Mariah Gratz (Aug 26, 2024 16:34 EDT)

Secretary Mariah Gratz










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Final Audit Report

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