Downtown Schenectady Improvement Corporation
Downtown Special Assessment District
Board Meeting Minutes
November 2, 2021

Attending: Heather Peterson, Jeff Morlang, Ray Legere, Richard Antokol, Michael Burns, Austin Fisher
Staff: Jim Salengo, Gail White, Amy Sonder
Absent: Aneesa Waheed, Chris Spraragen

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Meeting took place in person at Heather Peterson’s office at 1473 Erie Blvd. and via Zoom. Heather opened the meeting at 2:16 p.m.

1. Consent Agenda – Heather asked for approval on the consent agenda. Consent agenda was adopted unanimously.
   a) Meeting minutes from 9/28/2021
   b) Executive Director’s Report for 10/26/2021
   c) September 2021 financials

2. Board Committee Updates –
   a) Outdoor Program – David Siders continues to work on cleaning up outdoor landscaping in downtown. The city has purchased 45 Christmas trees to put in the planters along State Street and light up as part of the ILLUMINOCITY holiday lighting promotion. David is refurbishing all the DSIC’s wreaths and adding lights to them. The new Bobcat utility vehicle will be delivered tomorrow. Interviews have begun for the Outdoor Operations Manager position.

3. New Business –
   a) 2022 DSAD/DSIC Budget – Discussion on the 2022 budget continued.

   Ray Legere made a motion to accept the 2022 DSAD/DSIC budget of $882,657 as presented. Richard Antokol seconded the motion. All in favor.

4. Old Business
   a) Board Positions – Jim Salengo informed the board that Aneesa Waheed tendered her formal resignation to him, stating that she just didn’t have time to participate. After the first of the year, the board will re-visit vacancies and form a board recruitment committee.
   b) GIS Mapping System – Austin Fisher updated the board on the downtown mapping system he is working on.
   c) Heather and Ray updated the board on the ILLUMINOCITY holiday lighting promotion, indicating that responses from the business community have been strong.

   Richard Antokol made a motion to adjourn the DSIC meeting. Michael Burns seconded the motion. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 3:08 p.m.

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Heather Peterson opened the DSAD at 3:08 p.m.

Michael Burns made a motion to accept the DSAD portion of the 2022 budget in the amount of $330,000, with a minimum participation fee of $315. Richard Antokol seconded the motion. All in favor

Richard Antokol made a motion to close the DSAD. Michael Burns seconded the motion. All in favor. Meeting adjourned at 3:09 p.m.