

Canton, Georgia

*110 Academy Street
Canton, Georgia 30114*



Minutes - Final - Final

Wednesday, March 17, 2021

10:00 AM

Virtual Meeting

Public Call In: 1-617-675-4444 PIN: 936 416 119 9090#

Downtown Development Authority

1. Call to Order

Present included Rebecca Johnston, Jose Luna, Brooke Schmidt, Jennifer Hughes and Cindy Brooks.

Also present: Sandy McGrew, Billy Peppers, Lauren Johnson and Monica Hagewood

Meeting called to order.

2. Financial Update

Peppers gave the financial report. Current account balance is \$43,941.48 with two checks to STRATA Real Estate Advisors for \$8,000 and \$8,338.

3. Approval of February 2021 Minutes

- A. Downtown Development Authority Draft Minutes - February 10, 2021 - Attachment 3A

Attachments: [Minutes - Downtown Development Authority - February 10, 2021](#)

Schmidt moved to approve the February 10, 2021 Minutes. The motion was seconded by Hughes and approved unanimously.

4. Update on Jones Building Project

Hagewood gave an update on the Jones Building Request for Qualifications. To date there are six registered firms. Tours will occur in April. The goal is to narrow to three firms for formal proposals. Johnston asked if parking was a concern. Hagewood noted that no questions have come up to date. Schmidt asked if the proposals will include any public use spaces, such as restrooms or a visitors center. Hagewood stated that a list needed to be generated of those types of uses for potential discussions after qualifications are completed.

5. Other Downtown Projects

Peppers gave an update on the downtown parking deck which will include detailed designs being submitted on March 31 and will go out for bids around June. The deck will be 96 spaces, include solar panels, include electric vehicle charging stations and have an opportunity for a mural. Peppers noted that the City has met with the developer for multi-family at the Mill on Etowah, which is currently finishing retail space, just opened a spa, and completing the warehouse buildings along Railroad Street. He noted a buyer is in place for the old Audio Intersection. He also mentioned the City moving forward with a contract with KB Advisory Group to discuss a redevelopment plan for a tax allocation district.

6. Updates from Main Street

Peppers gave an update on First Fridays and the Farmers Market.

7. Training Opportunities

Peppers noted that the City was working with bond counsel to set up a financial training for the DDA hopefully in April. Johnston reminded the group of the March 25 Open Meetings/Open Records training.

Schmidt updated on the Railroad Street Mural project with an anticipated ribbon cutting on May 29.

8. Adjourn

Schmidt moved to adjourn. Hughes seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.