

**FRIENDS OF ROSA PARKS SQUARE BOARD
MEETING MINUTES
August 13, 2020 – 4:00 P.M.
Government Center
Video Conference**

Members Present

Nancy Cleveland, Chair
George Muhammad, KCAC, Inc., Vice
Chair
Jim Beall, Beall Financial Planning, Inc.
Kunj Patel, Kunj Construction &
Development
Dr. Carmalita Dillard, Bibb County BOE
Alex Morrison, MBC Urban Development
Authority
Louie Hargrove, Citizen

Media Present

Alexa Denagall, WGXA
Liz Fabian, Mercer University Center for
Collaborative Journalism

Staff Present

Joel Callins, MBC Assistant County Attorney
Kaye Cleveland, Recording Secretary

Others Present

Andrea Cooke, Citizen

Members Absent

Jean Bragg, Travis Jean
C. Jack Ellis, Former Mayor
Tim Thornton, Thornton Realty &
Development
Sarah Hunt, Middle GA National Action
Network

Chair Nancy Cleveland called the meeting to order at 4:18 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion by Mr. Jim Beall, seconded by Mr. Kunj Patel and passed unanimously, the minutes from the July 9, 2020 Meeting were approved.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mr. Bob Fickling stated a draft Communications Plan would be shared with the Communications Subcommittee before presentation to the Friends of Rosa Parks Square Board. Ms. Nancy Cleveland stated Mr. Fickling and Mr. Beall were officially the Chair and Vice Chair of the Communications Subcommittee. Board members were advised Mr. Fickling and Mr. Beall would oversee communications for the Friends of Rosa Parks Square Board and responsible for Social Media.

DESIGN

Mr. George Muhammad discussed the Request for Qualifications. Board members were advised four out of six firms qualified to receive Request for Proposals. Mr. Muhammad stated responses should be received soon. Mr. Joel Callins stated the Request for Proposal (RFP) was being reviewed by the Macon-Bibb County Procurement Department. Board members were advised the RFP did include provisions for a Bid Set. Mr. Callins advised board members firms had four weeks to respond to the RFP and a meeting may be scheduled to discuss submissions.

FUND-RAISING

Ms. Cleveland discussed a fund setup by the Community Foundation of Central Georgia established for Rosa Parks Square. Board members were advised charitable donations received could be reported as a tax write off. Ms. Cleveland stated a draft of said funding agreement along with a resolution from the Community Foundation would need to be approved by the Friends of Rosa Parks Square Board.

Ms. Cleveland entertained a motion to endorse the park funding agreement. On motion by Mr. Alex Morrison, seconded by Mr. Fickling and passed unanimously, the Friends of Rosa Parks Square Board voted to endorse the creation of a Rosa Parks Square Funding Agreement with the Community Foundation of Central Georgia pending review by the Friends of Rosa Parks Square Board and Macon-Bibb County Attorney's Office before submission to the Macon-Bibb County Commission.

Mr. Callins advised the funding agreement must be approved by the Macon-Bibb County Commission. Board members were informed said agreement would need to be approved during Committee Meetings before final approval at a Commission Meeting. Mr. Callins advised this process could take three weeks.

ADJOURNMENT

Board members were advised the next regularly scheduled meeting would take place on September 10, 2020 at 4 p.m. via Zoom Videoconference. The meeting was adjourned at 5:14 p.m.

Kaye Cleveland
Recording Secretary