



**City of Auburn Downtown Development Authority
And**

Main Street Board of Directors

Meeting

Thursday, October 12, at 6:00 pm

City Council Chambers



Present Members: Vice-Chair: Howard Hawthorne
Member: Vikki Antle
Member: Bel Outwater
Chair: Jason Morris (arrived later)

City Staff:

Alex Mitchem, Downtown Development Coordinator; Ron Griffith, City Administrator; Jay Miller, City Planner; Jack, City Attorney

Due to the lack of a quorum at the beginning of the meeting, DDC Alex chose to move forward with the discussion portion of the meeting agenda, the Public Private Partnership with Dave Schmit and his company. So far, we are moving forward with developing multiple agreements: a management agreement (to allow Dave to develop property), an inter-governmental agreement (that allows the DDA and the City to work together), and an option agreement (gives Dave's company the first right to purchase unused portion property at fair market value). This pending partnership comes at a good time as Auburn works on its new comprehensive plan that is due next year. Goals are for the SPLOST to pass in November so that the planning phase of the new municipal complex and really get underway, and to be able to present drafts of the three agreements mentioned to the Mayor and City Council at the November Workshop meeting.

Board was given the opportunity to ask questions of Mr. Schmit, the City's attorney, and Alex.

Chair **Jason Morris** called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm

Minutes from September 14, 2017 meeting

Motion: made by **Bel Outwater** to approve minutes as presented

Seconded: **Vikki Antle**

Approved

DDC/Main St report

Financial report

-paid for the skating rink (it will be open an extra week, from 12/2-1/2)

-Current balance was not available; Alex will email out

Whistlestop Shop update

- next Market Day is Saturday, October 14
- Billboard is up! Westbound on 316, near the Gateway
- All shops are filled! New shops include: Walker Works (pens, woodworking); Serenity Nails; an alterations shop; and a jewelry shop.

Upcoming Events

- Movie in the park moved to Saturday, Oct 21st for Auburn Elementary School’s Fall Festival
- Auburn Library’s “Fairy Tale Parade” on Wednesday Oct 25th at 11 am; Bel invited all the downtown businesses to participate so that parents can see what the city has to offer.

Announcements

- Next meeting Thursday, November 9th at 6 pm
- Yearly Plan review & additions being emailed out

Adjournment

Motion: made by **Bel Outwater** to adjourn
 Seconded: **Howard Hawthorne**
 Approved

Meeting adjourned @ 7:26 pm.

Respectfully submitted 10//17

Attest

Bel Outwater on behalf of Tina Parks
Member

Jason Morris
Chair