



# **CITY OF KINGSLAND, GEORGIA**

## **DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY**

**MINUTES • OCTOBER 25, 2018**

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**Regular Meeting**

**Kingsland Welcome Center**

**4:30 PM**

**PO Box 250, Kingsland, GA 31548**

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### **CALL TO ORDER**

Paul E. Chamberlin  
C.B. Yadav  
Jolene Andersen  
James McClain  
Troy Hoper  
Jimmy McCollum  
Mike Spiers  
Paula Chamberlin

Chairman  
Co-Chairman (Absent)  
Board Member  
Mayor Pro Tem  
Board Member  
Board Member  
Board Member (Absent)  
DDA Manager

### **ROLL CALL**

### **AGENDA AMENDMENTS**

No Agenda Amendments

### **APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT**

The financial report was presented to include Kingsland Tomorrow bank statement and the Royal District market report. J. Andersen made a motion to approve, T. Hoper seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes from last meeting were emailed in advance for the Board to review. T. Hoper made a motion to approve, J. McClain seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously.

### **ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE**

Business Owner Meeting Results -

Feedback from the Business Owner's Meeting that was held on October 4 was discussed. Each topic and responses were shared with the board for their input. Additional action items were mentioned and a status will be given at the next meeting. These items include Habitat neglect, the car wash itself and all of the accumulation of junk around the car wash. A copy of the meeting feedback results is attached.

**Main Street Report - August -**

The Main Street report was presented and reviewed by all board members.

## **DESIGN COMMITTEE**

**Lighting Project Discussion- GA Power - Chairman Paul E. Chamberlin**

Paul Chamberlin has spoken with the city manager in regards to replacing the lighting in the downtown area. The City and GA Power have entered a contract for replacement of 388 post top lights. He was advised that they will have the same lumens, white light with LED bulbs-3000 Kelvin and the downtown acorn lights are a part of the contract.

## **PROMOTIONS COMMITTEE**

**Catfish Festival Update -**

Paula Chamberlin provided an update regarding the upcoming Catfish Festival. A media night is planned for the Friday night before to high light the Johnsonville team and their arrival but city council must approve the sale of beer and wine at the event before we proceed. To date 94 vendors are registered, sponsors are secured and more volunteers are needed to make this festival a success.

**Veteran's Day Ceremony Update -**

The VFW is in charge of the parade and ceremony this year but the downtown manager and the City is coordinating and assisting where needed. The event will be held on Sunday, November 11th at 11:00 AM and all downtown churches have been advised. The Camden Rotary Club is donating a tree to be planted after the ceremony to replace the large oak tree that was damaged and removed after the latest hurricane.

## **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/RESTRUCTURING COMMITTEE**

**J&A Property - Tire Abatement Update - Chairman Paul E. Chamberlin**

No update and no changes on the property to report. Bill Coleman is hopeful that he can get a work crew back at the property within the next week or so.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

City Owned Vacant Lots - Chairman Paul E. Chamberlin

P. Chamberlin advised that he has researched some available city owned vacant lots in the DDA area and asked the board's opinion of possibly obtaining these lots to build spec homes. This would not only improve the area but would be a great way to generate money and will put these properties back on the city tax roll. The city manager said that the city has considered selling the properties but no action has been taken. J. McClain suggested that the DDA invest in the Ameris bank building and to check into low interest rate loans especially designed for DDA's.

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

Royal District Market - Every Saturday  
October 31 - Trick or Treating in Downtown - 9:30AM  
October 31 - Fall Festival - 1st Baptist Church  
November 11 - Veterans Day Parade and Ceremony  
November 17 - Catfish Festival  
November 24 - Small Business Saturday  
December 6 - Christmas in Kingsland  
Announcements

## **ADJOURN**

Motion to Adjourn at 6:10PM made by Paul Chamberlin, motion seconded by J. McCollum . The motion carried unanimously.