MINUTES GWCCA STADIUM DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING March 25, 2013

10:00 a.m. Executive Board Room

The following were in attendance:

Committee Members Present:

Anne Hennessy Lee Hunter, Chair Tim Lowe, Ex-Officio

Doug Tollett

Committee Members Absent:

Taz Anderson

Bart Gobeil, State Advisor

Glenn Hicks

Rep. Jan Jones, Legislative Advisor

Other Board Members Present:

David Allman Bill Jones

Greg O'Bradovich

GWCC Legal Council

Pargen Robertson

GWCCA Staff Present:

Mark Adams Carl Adkins Dale Aiken Kevin Duvall Mark Geiger Jennifer LeMaster Lindsay Perdue

Frank Poe Patrick Skaggs Sherrie Spinks

Mark Zimmerman

Guests:

Adam Maclennan, PKF

William Corrado, Citi (by phone)

Peter Robinson, Troutman Sanders Strategies

Darryl Smith, Sutherland Mark Woodworth, PKF

Chair Hunter called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m. and asked for a motion to approve the October 28, 2013 meeting minutes.

A motion to approve the October 28, 2013 GWCCA Stadium Development Committee meeting minutes was made by David Allman, seconded by Doug Tollett, and unanimously approved.

HOTEL DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

Since the September 2013 Board Planning Retreat, staff has been assessing the potential for developing a hotel on the limited redevelopment site of the Georgia Dome's footprint. Three firms (HVS, PKF, and JLL) were asked to assess market demand, hotel feasibility, potential project scope, and cost.. All three firms determined there would be demand to drive such a development. PKF was asked to do additional analysis related to the proposed hotel development. The additional analysis included marketing information, financial options, refined project scope, and development costs. Citi was asked to work with PKF on the analysis for added insight. Mark Woodworth with PKF and Bill Corrado with Citi reviewed the analysis for the benefit of the committee.

The report included the following topics.

- Project history;
- Meeting planner survey results;
- Impact on GWCC financial performance;
- Project development costs;

- Private developer IRR add economic gap analysis;
- Public development debt service coverage analysis;
- Public funding sources overview and examples;
- Economic impact analysis; and
- Next steps.

Next steps include:

- Engage a local developer with members of the Stadium Development Committee (SDC) to review the reports.
- Review the analysis with Invest Atlanta if the GWCCA choses to engage with a local development agency.
- Further assess public/private financing options.
- Identify schedule for potential development.
- Provide SDC a status report within ninety days on a more defined plan.

GWCC BROKERAGE AGREEMENT

Staff continues to work to ensure financial success in the Congress Center and feels a long-term brokerage agreement with the Falcons would bring additional revenue. Staff reviewed the proposed brokerage agreement with the GWCCA Executive Committee on March 18. Today, Kevin Duvall reviewed the presentation made to the Executive Committee which included:

- Economic value:
- Key business terms;
- Advertising revenue history; and
- Advantages (beyond financial).

The Executive Committee felt that staff needed to look at other facilities to determine how they handle/structure their brokerage agreements. The Committee also wanted an outside source to determine if the proposed business terms reflected current market conditions.

Next steps determined since the March 18 Executive Committee meeting.

- Staff will update the previous SRi asset valuation report to obtain an order of magnitude and confirm what inventory the Congress Center can sell.
- Staff will have Sri review proposed financial terms of the relationship (percentage vs. guarantee) to get an understanding.
- Staff will identify similar situated convention facility corporate advertising relationships.
- Staff will review finding and updated recommendations with SDC in April.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

 Staff will seek Board authorization for Executive Director to enter into a not-to-exceed ten-year brokerage agreement with the Falcons in April 2014 if SDC believes recommendations are reasonable.

Respectfully submitted:	Approved:	
Dale Aiken Assistant Secretary	Lee Hunter Chair	