

MINUTES
GEO. L. SMITH II GEORGIA WORLD CONGRESS CENTER AUTHORITY
BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETING
AUTHORITY BOARD ROOM
TUESDAY, JANUARY 30, 2024
12:30 p.m.

The following eleven out of fifteen Board members were present:

Don Balfour	Aaron McWhorter
Brian Daniel, Chair	Bill Russell
Glenn Hicks	Doug Tollett, Vice Chair (by Zoom)
Steve Adams	Dexter Warrior, Secretary (by Zoom)
Bill Jones	Rachel Little
Natasha Bell (by Zoom)	

Chair Brian Daniel called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.

A motion to approve the December 5, 2023 Board of Governors meeting minutes was made by Don Balfour, seconded by Glenn Hicks, and unanimously was approved.

SEPTEMBER FINANCIAL REPORT

Rey Rodriguez, GWCCA Director of Finance, reviewed the December 2023 Financial Report.

SIGNIA BY HILTON ATLANTA DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

Theonie Alicandro, Chief Operating Officer and General Counsel, Drew Company, presented an update on the Signia by Hilton Atlanta Hotel development project.

MERCEDES-BENZ STADIUM ANNUAL UPDATE ON CAPITAL EXPENDITURES AND BUDGET

Dietmar Exler, Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, presented the team's annual expense budget, capital expenditures, and rolling five year capital expense forecast.

SIGNIA BY HILTON ATLANTA CELEBRATION

Jen Lemaster, Chief Administrative Officer; Shavannia Williams, Director of Strategic Partnerships; and Holly Richmond, Director of Communications, provided a recap on the Signia By Hilton Atlanta Celebration.

GWCCA TEAM MEMBER RECOGNITION

Jen Lemaster, Chief Administrative Officer, presented the annual recognition of team members having milestone anniversaries.

RESOLUTION-FOURTH AMENDMENT TO SAVANNAH CONVENTION CENTER MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

Pargen Robertson, Legal Counsel, presented a proposed resolution authorizing the execution of the Fourth Amendment to the Savannah Convention Center Management Agreement.

A motion to approve the Resolution authorizing execution of the Fourth Amendment to the Savannah Convention Center Management Agreement, a copy of which is attached hereto, was made by Bill Russell, seconded by Aaron McWhorter, and unanimously was approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Glenn Hicks, seconded by Steve Adams, and unanimously was approved to go into Executive Session under O.C.G.A. §50-14-2. A copy of the Affidavit in respect of the Executive Session is attached hereto.

At 1:48 p.m. the Board came out of Executive Session.

RESOLUTION – RECOGNITION OF THE HONORABLE FRANK POE

A motion to approve the Resolution recognizing the Honorable Frank Poe, a copy of which is attached hereto, was made by Bill Russell, seconded by Glenn Hicks, and unanimously was approved.

At 1:51 p.m. a motion to adjourn was made by Doug Tollett, seconded by Don Balfour, and unanimously approved.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

APPROVED:

James Pargen Robertson, Jr.
Legal Counsel

Dexter Warrior
Secretary