## **Economic Development Authority of the City of Portsmouth**

## February 21, 2019

## **Called Meeting**

6th Floor Conference Room, City Hall 801 Crawford Street, Portsmouth, VA

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** 

Anthony W. Hinds

Tracy Link

Malcom Mitchell

Cathy Revell - Chairman

Don L. Scott (arrived at 8:07 am)

Ray A. Smith, Sr.

**ALSO PRESENT:** 

Robert D. Moore – Secretary

Brian Donahue - Asst. Secretary

Robert Baldwin – Assistant City Manager Jeffrey S. Miller – Assistant City Attorney Nina Patel – Assistant City Attorney William E. Moody, Jr. – City Councilman Elizabeth M. Psimas – City Councilwoman

Cheryl Spivey – CFO Wendy Hu – Assistant CFO Alisa Winston – PRHA Armon D. Smith – E.D. Staff

ABSENT:

Kyle J. Kovachik

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

The January 15, 2019 meeting minutes were reviewed.

<u>ACTION:</u> On a motion by Mr. Hinds and seconded by Mr. Smith, the Commissioners approved the January 15, 2019 meeting minutes as presented. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Hinds – yes; Mr. Kovachik – absent; Ms. Link – yes; Mr. Mitchell – yes; Ms. Revell – yes; Mr. Scott – absent; Mr. Smith – yes.

<u>ACTION:</u> On a motion by Mr. Hinds and seconded by Ms. Link, the Commissioners approved deferring the January financials to the March meeting. **Roll Call Vote:** Mr. Hinds – yes; Mr. Kovachik – absent; Ms. Link – yes; Mr. Mitchell – yes; Ms. Revell – yes; Mr. Scott –absent; Mr. Smith – yes.

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<u>ACTION:</u> On a motion by Mr. Hinds and seconded by Ms. Link, the Commissioners approved the following Commissioners to fill empty officer positions: Don Scott as Vice Chairman and Kyle Kovachik as Treasurer. **Roll Call Vote:** Mr. Hinds – yes; Mr. Kovachik – absent; Ms. Link – yes; Mr. Mitchell – yes; Ms. Revell – yes; Mr. Scott – absent; Mr. Smith – yes.

Mr. Moore reported that the EDA will hold a retreat on Tuesday, March 19, 2019, at the Renaissance Hotel. The retreat will begin at 7:30 a.m. and end at approximately 3:00 p.m. with the regular March meeting taking place as the first item on the agenda.

Ms. Revell appointed Mr. Hinds and Mr. Kovachik as the Fiscal Year 2020 Budget Ad Hoc Committee.

Mr. Armon Smith presented a FIG application in the amount of \$5,900.00 received from Mr. David F. Host, Jr. for property located at 451 Dinwiddie Street.

<u>ACTION:</u> On a motion by Mr. Hinds and seconded by Mr. Smith, the Commissioners approved the FIG application in the amount of \$5,900.00, received from Mr. David F. Host, Jr. for his property located at 451 Dinwiddie Street. **Roll Call Vote:** Mr. Hinds – yes; Mr. Kovachik – absent; Ms. Link – yes; Mr. Mitchell – yes; Ms. Revell – yes; Mr. Scott –No; Mr. Smith – yes.

Mr. Armon Smith presented a IBOG application in the amount of \$25,000.00 received from Mr. David F. Host, Jr. for property located at 451 Dinwiddie Street.

<u>ACTION:</u> On a motion by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Hinds, the Commissioners approved the IBOG application in the amount of \$25,000.00, received from Mr. David F. Host, Jr. for his property located at 451 Dinwiddie Street. **Roll Call Vote:** Mr. Hinds – yes; Mr. Kovachik – absent; Ms. Link – yes; Mr. Mitchell – yes; Ms. Revell – yes; Mr. Scott –No; Mr. Smith – yes.

Mr. Donahue presented an IBOG application in the amount of \$25,000.00 received from Arteraft Fabricators, Inc. DBA Collins Marine Works for their property located at 702 5<sup>th</sup> Street.

<u>ACTION:</u> On a motion by Mr. Scott and seconded by Mr. Hinds, the Commissioners approved the IBOG application in the amount of \$25,000.00, received from Artcraft Fabricators, Inc. for their property located at 702 5<sup>th</sup> Street. **Roll Call Vote:** Mr. Hinds – yes; Mr. Kovachik – absent; Ms. Link – yes; Mr. Mitchell – yes; Ms. Revell – yes; Mr. Scott –yes; Mr. Smith – yes.

<u>ACTION:</u> At 8:30 a.m. on a motion by Mr. Mitchell and seconded by Ms. Link, the Authority entered into a closed meeting pursuant to Virginia Code subsection 2.2-3711 A.3 for the purpose of discussing disposition of publicly held real property interests where discussion in an open meeting would adversely affect the bargaining position or negotiating

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strategy of the public body, specifically regarding the Victory Crossing Site. **Roll Call Vote:** Mr. Hinds – yes; Mr. Kovachik – absent; Ms. Link – yes; Mr. Mitchell – yes; Ms. Revell – yes; Mr. Scott –yes; Mr. Smith – yes.

City Councilman Moody and City Councilwoman Psimas remained for the Closed Meeting.

ACTION: At 8:45 a.m., on a motion by Mr. Mitchell and seconded by Mr. Hinds, the Authority entered into an open meeting whereby only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act, and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened were heard, discussed or considered in the closed meeting just concluded. Roll Call Vote: Mr. Hinds – yes; Mr. Kovachik – absent; Ms. Link – yes; Mr. Mitchell – yes; Ms. Revell – yes; Mr. Scott – yes; Mr. Smith – yes.

With no other business before the Board the meeting was adjourned at 8:54 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert D. Moore

Secretary