



**Build Baton Rouge Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting**

Date: Thursday, June 20, 2024

Place: Fishman Haygood, 100 North Street, Ste. 800, Baton Rouge, La 70802

Time: 10:00 A.M.

Minutes

Attending Board Members: Rodney Braxton, Chairman; Charles Landry, Vice Chair; Will Campbell, Treasurer; Suzanne Turner, Secretary; Bobby Hamilton (each, a "Commissioner")

Also attending: Gretchen Siemers, Vice President; Kendra Hendricks, Senior Manager of Economic Development and Finance; Tricia Prewitt, BBR Office Coordinator; Amanda Robertson, VGraham; Jessica Purnell, VGraham, Kincaid Jackson, Kean Miller; Perry Franklin, Franklin Associates; Andrew Broderick, Perkins and Will; Stephen Coulston, Perkins and Will; Stephanie James, Franklin Associates; Shoman Pugh; Byron Turner; Helena Cunningham; John Spain

Meeting Called by: Rodney Braxton

Type of Meeting: Build Baton Rouge (BBR) Board of Commissioners – Regular Meeting

Note Taker: Tricia Prewitt

❖ **Action Item**

- Mr. Braxton called the meeting to order at 10:17 a.m.
- Mr. Braxton confirmed receipt of proof of notice of meeting and the posting of public notice.
- Mr. Braxton Confirmed the number of Board Commissioners present and the constitution of a majority.
- The Board reviewed the minutes from the BBR Board of Commissioners May 13, 2024, regular meeting. Mr. Landry made a motion to approve the minutes and Mr. Landry seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

❖ **Discussion Item: Budget**

- Ms. Robertson presented the YTD profit-loss actual vs. budget, program statement of activity, and cashflow projections for the period ended May 31, 2024. Ms. Robertson reported that May ytd results, revenue and income are in line with expectations, expenses are a little bit less than budget, and there are no concerns. There were no objections.

❖ **Discussion Item: Administrative Update/Land Bank**



- Ms. Siemers gave the administrative update. The audit is nearly done and it looks like we are doing well. A draft will be presented at the next meeting. The budget for the City Parish is due. The typical budget was submitted and the City kicked it back and requested two more budgets, with a 20% and a 30% decrease in response to the St. George. Build Baton Rouge was able to find new property insurance.
- Ms. Siemers gave the Redevelopment and Land Bank Update. We have been working with our lawyer on property transfers and we should have some at the next meeting. The Northdale outreach has started. Mr. Jackson updated the board on Shada. He is finishing up getting notices out for the Shada project. Mr. Landry requested a review of the servitude agreement, including asking the council to review it and if they are not in compliance, force them to sell it. Mr. Kincaid continued with the Land Bank update with Ardendale. He stated that we will close this month and the acreage discrepancy was resolved in BBR's favor.
- Ms. Siemers introduced the team from Perkins and Will with a quick update on the Florida Corridor Masterplan and the adoption process. The team from Perkins and Will gave a presentation on the plan that was approved by the CCEDD.
- ❖ **Action Item: Resolution to approve the Florida Corridor Masterplan as recommended by the Cortana Corridor Economic Development District (CCEDD)**
 - Before calling for the vote, Mr. Braxton opened up comments from the public, of which there were none. Mr. Braxton entertained a motion to approve the plan. Mr. Campbell motioned to approve, Mr. Hamilton seconded. A roll call vote was called: Mr. Landry, yes; Mr. Campbell, yes; Ms. Turner, yes; Mr. Hamilton, yes; Mr. Braxton, yes. The motion passed unanimously to approve the Florida Corridor Masterplan as recommended by the CCEDD.
- ❖ Action Item: Public Comment
 - No public comment
- ❖ Action Item: New Business
 - No new business
- ❖ **Action Item: Adjournment to Executive Session for discussion of real estate and personal matters**
 - The Board did not adjourn to Executive Session
- ❖ **Action Item: Adjournment**
 - Mr. Braxton made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Campbell moved to adjourn, Ms. Turner seconded. The meeting adjourned the regular meeting at 11:00 a.m.