



**Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority
Board Meeting Minutes
February 18, 2020 9:00 A.M.**

Board Members Present: Brett Hart, Chairman; Don Villar, Vice Chairman; Jorge Ramirez, Secretary/Treasurer; Dr. Sonat Birnecker Hart; Nina Grondin; Roger J. Kiley*; Terrance B. McGann*; Juan A. Ochoa; Sherman Wright

*Teleconference

Others Present: Larita Clark, Chief Executive Officer; David Winters, Chief Operations Officer; David Causton, ASM Global/McCormick Place; Matthew Simmons, General Counsel; Pat Allen, Director of Labor Relations; Dao Ngo, Director of Procurement; Steve E. Georgas, Chief Security Officer; Stephanie Lovelace-Nieves, Controller; Samina Kapadia, Assistant General Counsel; Jeanette Swan, Director of Internal Audit; Jason Bormann, Director of Treasury and Capital Management; Gloria Juarbe, Director of Human Resources; Marilyn Rubio, Senior Manager, Community Engagement and Special Events; Tiffany M. Wright, Business Diversity Program Manager; Paige Lommerin, Law Clerk; Joseph T. Scheper, ASM Global/McCormick Place; Doug Bradley, Savor; David Whitaker, Choose Chicago; Rufus Purnell, Resident; Cynthia McCafferty, Hawthorne Strategy Group, Inc.; Amelia Diehl, City Bureau; Shabaka Verna, City Bureau; Maria Calderon, Compliance Officer and Board Administrator

General Matters: Chairman Hart asked for a motion to permit Members Kiley and McGann to participate via teleconference. Upon motion duly made by Member Wright and seconded by Member Villar, the remaining members present unanimously voted passing the motion.

- A1. Roll Call: MPEA Chairman Hart, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and Ms. Calderon called roll.
- A2. Approval of Minutes: Chairman Hart called for the approval of the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of the January 28, 2020.

Moved by Member Wright, seconded by Member Grondin, and the remaining members present voted approving item A2.
- A3. Public Comment.

There was no public comment.

Report from Acting CEO: Ms. Clark reported the 2020 NBA All-Star Game was a success and the highlight for her was meeting President Obama. Ms. Clark stated the NBA Legends Brunch had 3,000 attendees with many students as public guests. Ms. Clark reported during the same weekend the Chicago Auto Show was also on campus. Ms. Clark stated the Dallas Weekly article mentioned Wintrust Arena, Moody Nolan the architect of record and Trade Show News Network article regarding McCormick Place's sustainable efforts on campus.

Report from Controller: Ms. Lovelace-Nieves presented the financial results for January 2020.

Report from Director of Treasury and Capital Management: Mr. Bormann presented the tax collections for January 2020.

Report from McCormick Place: Mr. Causton reported the Chicago Auto Show completed their ten-day show, which is one of the largest consumer shows and the largest auto show in the country. Mr. Causton reported the Annual IGI Chicago Style Gymnastics Meet completed their event two weeks ago. Mr. Causton reported President Obama and Mayor Lightfoot visited the 2020 NBA All-Star events, and Governor Pritzker visited the Chicago Auto Show. Mr. Causton stated that the 2020 NBA All-Star events on campus included the NBA All-Star Celebrity Game, in which,



Chicago Native Common won MVP; Press Event; and the NBA Legends Brunch which were hosted at Wintrust Arena and the West Building, McCormick Place. Mr. Causton thanked Choose Chicago for their collaboration with the NBA All-Star Game. Mr. Causton reported the move-in of the Chicago Dental Society Annual Midwinter Meeting with 30,000 estimated attendees; United Airlines Corporate Meeting; Chicago Comic & Entertainment Expo with 90,000 estimated attendees; DePaul Basketball; and All Elite Wrestling Revolution.

Executive Session: Chairman Hart asked for a motion to convene in Executive Session to discuss item C1, collective negotiation matters and employee matters. Upon motion duly made by Member Birnecker Hart, seconded by Member Ochoa, and the remaining members present unanimously voted to convene in Executive Session.

Upon return from Executive Session, item C1 was presented for consideration and discussion.

Review of Covered Actions and Eligible Agreements:

C1. Consideration of Approval of Executive Session Minutes of the January 28, 2020 Regular Board Meeting.

Moved by Member Villar, seconded by Member Ochoa, and the remaining members present voted approving item C1.

D1. Consideration of Approval for Contract Amendment for Lobbying Services.

Moved by Member Villar, seconded by Member Ramirez, and the remaining members present voted approving item D1.

D2. Consideration of Approval for the Third Modification and Reaffirmation of Fifth Third Bank Agreement.

Moved by Member Ramirez, seconded by Member Wright, Member Ochoa abstained, and the remaining members present voted approving item D2.

Adjournment

Chairman Hart moved to adjourn the meeting moved by Member Ochoa, seconded by Member Villar, and the meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote of the Board.

Approved: April 28, 2020



Secretary/Treasurer or Assistant Secretary