

City of Birmingham
Birmingham Shopping District Proceeding
Friday, April 23, 2021 - 8:30 a.m.
ZOOM Meeting

Minutes of the special meeting of the Birmingham Shopping District Board held Friday, April 23, 2021, at 8:30 a.m. via ZOOM Meetings

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL OF BOARD

PRESENT: Astrein (Houston, TX), Eid (Bloomfield Hills), Hockman (Bloomfield Hills, MI), Kay (Birmingham, MI), Lundberg (Bloomfield Hills, MI), Markus (Birmingham, MI), McKenzie (Birmingham, MI), Pohlod (Birmingham, MI), Quintal (Birmingham, MI), Roberts (Bloomfield Hills, MI), Surnow (Birmingham, MI)

ABSENT:

ALSO PRESENT: Sean Kammer

ADMINISTRATION: Brook (Royal Oak, MI), Bassett (Birmingham, MI), Comerford (White Lake, MI)

2. NEW BUSINESS

a. Appointment of Sean Kammer as Executive Director

MOTION: Motion by Astrein, seconded by Roberts to appoint Sean Kammer to the Birmingham Shopping District executive director position effective May 17, 2021. Further to authorize the City to execute an Employment Agreement for these services.

Hockman reviewed the selection process. There were 43 applicants and three rounds of interviews. The final interview included asking the applicants how they would handle the real life situation of upcoming construction on S. Old Woodward.

Hockman shared that the interview committee was very impressed with Kammer's background. He is currently the Downtown Manager in Royal Oak. He has also worked in Lathrup Village and Flint. He has a master's degree and is currently working on earning a second master's degree.

Hockman thanked the city's HR department for their assistance.

VOTE: Yeas, 11 Nays, 0 Absent, 0

Kammer thanked the board for selecting him and said that he is honored to be given this opportunity. He plans to speak with the board chair to gain background information and is looking forward to starting the position.

b. Approval of staff compensation

MOTION: Motion by Quintal, seconded by Roberts to pay a one-time \$1,500 bonus to each current BSD employee.

Hockman expressed his appreciation of the work the staff has done over the last several months. He said that the executive board has been very pleased and recommended that the full board approve this one-time bonus payment.

VOTE: Yeas, 11 Nays, 0 Absent, 0

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Surnow shared that he is excited to have Kammer on board and extended an invitation for Kammer to reach out to any of the committee chairs for assistance.

4. ADJOURNMENT – 8:41 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Jaimi Brook (back-up notes on file)