

## Board Minutes

### February 9, 2022 Board of Directors Meeting

Dinsmore & Shohl

255 East 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Cincinnati, OH 45202

#### 1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Manuel Chavez called The Port Board of Directors meeting to order at 8:01am.

#### **Board Members Present:**

Chavez, Manuel

Jones, Damon

Duke, Rance

Luken, Charlie

Fischer, Rick

Jones, Angelita

Wideman, Melissa

#### **Staff Present:**

Brunner, Laura

Denning, Philip

Recht, Chris

Michael, Rahiel

Barron, Jamie

Chilton, Yasmin

Melton, Brady

Hudson, Rick

Millikin, Tom

Castellini, Todd

Fischer, Bill

Renner, Mikhaela

Ogawa, Brian

#### 2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 12, 2021**

Mr. Chavez asked the Board members if there were any additions or modifications to the January 12, 2021 Board of Directors meeting minutes. Hearing none, he asked for a motion to adopt the meeting minutes.

**Motion:** Rance Duke moved to adopt the minutes of the January 12, 2021 Board of Directors Meetings. The motion was seconded by Rick Fischer and was approved unanimously.

#### 3. **PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

*Laura Brunner*

Ms. Brunner informed the board of the previous night's successful African-American Chamber Real Estate Forum, the first organized by Jilson Daniels.

Ms. Brunner updated the board about ongoing meetings with City Council, Mayor, and City Manager, providing some attendance details, all of which have been well received.

Ms. Brunner presented the updated 2022 goals, reviewing some of the board's recent suggestions that were reflected on the updated document.

#### **4. PUBLIC FINANCE**

*Todd Castellini*

Mr. Castellini presented Resolution 2022-03, for the Columbus Port Authority to redevelop two buildings located in downtown Columbus. This project is also supported by Dayton and Toledo for \$6.5MM in revenue bonds.

The board asked questions about the project, all of which were answered to satisfaction.

**Formal Action Requested** – Before the Board today is proposed Resolution 2022-03 entitled:

**AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF A MAXIMUM AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF \$6,500,000 OF REVENUE BONDS UNDER THE SOUTHWEST OHIO REGIONAL BOND FUND PROGRAM FOR THE 195 & 155 E. BROAD STREET PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT PROJECT; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A SUPPLEMENTAL TRUST INDENTURE TO SECURE SUCH BONDS; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A PURCHASE AGREEMENT AND THE DISTRIBUTION OF ANY REQUIRED DISCLOSURE STATEMENT FOR THE OFFERING AND SALE OF THOSE BONDS; AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY OR DESIRABLE FOR THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF THE BONDS.**

**Motion:** Melissa Wideman moved to approve Resolution 2022-03. The motion was seconded by Rance Duke and was approved by the remainder of the Board.

#### **5. NEIGHBORHOOD BUSINESS DISTRICTS**

*Bill Fischer*

Mr. Fischer introduced the other members of the Port's Commercial Team, Brian Ogawa and Brady Melton. Mr. Fischer used slides to present details of the Team's work, timelines, partners, and challenges.

Mr. Fischer presented a range of the Team's projects, offering details that included location, history, costs, plans, and developers involved.

The board discussed and asked questions about the projects, all of which were answered to satisfaction

#### **6. ECONOMIC EQUITY**

*Jilson Daniels*

Mr. Daniels updated the board on the Port's economic equity and inclusion work. Mr. Daniels presented details of the recent work with subcontractors and supply chain development, focusing on four companies with the focus on subcontractor utilization and capacity building.

Mr. Daniels reviewed the 2021 results for Inclusion Spend for the Port and its managed entities and reviewed developer results on public finance projects.

**7. COMMUNICATIONS – Port Short, Virtual Tour**

*Tom Millikin, Jamie Barron*

Mr. Millikin presented the first Port Short video of 2022, Part Two of a two-part series featuring Economic Equity and Inclusion.

Mr. Millikin introduced the remainder of the Marketing and Communications Team, Jamie Barron, Yasmin Chilton, and Mikhaela Renner.

Ms. Barron presented information about the Port's new virtual tour software, a platform to showcase the Port's impact and work within the region. Ms. Barron gave a live demonstration of the new tool, showing the board how it works virtually visiting several of the Port's projects.

Ms. Barron shared how the new tool will be shared on the Port's website and used in presentations, as well as the potential for future growth of the virtual tours.

The board complimented the new tool and asked questions about it, all of which were answered to satisfaction.

**8. FINANCIAL REPORT**

*Rick Hudson*

Mr. Hudson stated the final 2021 financials were reflected in the board materials and will be audited by Plante Moran in April with the final audited financials submitted to the Auditor of State by the end of May.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

The February 9, 2022 Board of Directors meeting adjourned at 9:04 am.

Respectfully,



Laura N. Brunner  
Secretary