

# February 28, 2024, Board Meeting

## 3:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

St. Vincent Charity Medical Center

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### In attendance:

**SAIC Board:** Greg Deming, Michael English, Chad Jones, Karen Perkowski, Alex Ragon, Antonin Robert, and Ashley Ross

Guests: Charles Garven (St. Vincent Charity Community Health Center) and Derek Johnson (Michael Baker International)

Staff: Emily Dahnert and Mark Lammon

- I. Welcome & Overview of Meeting Layouta. Mark Lammon welcomes board members and guests.
- II. Welcome & Call Meeting to Order
  - a. There is a quorum present for the SAIC board meeting.
  - b. Board Chair Karen Perkowski calls the meeting to order.

#### III. February Board Meeting Minutes

Karen Perkowski

Mark Lammon

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- a. Antonin Robert motions to approve the February board meeting minutes. Michael English seconds the motion. **The motion to approve the February board meeting minutes passes.**
- IV. Superior Avenue Landscaping Resolution
  - a. There is a resolution in front of the board to enter into a contract to landscape Superior Avenue, as discussed at the February 7, 2024, SAIC board meeting.
    - i. The contract would be through Downtown Cleveland, Inc., which works with Lutheran Metropolitan Ministry's SEEDS program.
      - 1. Antonin Robert notes that the budgetary process is ongoing at Downtown Cleveland, Inc., which will determine the SEEDS program's budget.
      - 2. Hiring a contractor directly would cost astronomically more than the current quote from Downtown Cleveland, Inc. and the SEEDS program.
    - ii. The goal with the landscaping is to match what is currently in front of GBX Group and CrossCountry Mortgage to make the street look more cohesive.
      - 1. The landscaping is primarily harsh and will help deter from tents being placed.
  - b. Chad Jones motions to approve the resolution to enter into a contract to landscape Superior Avenue. Antonin Robert seconds the motion. The motion to approve the resolution to enter into a contract to landscape Superior Avenue passes.
- V. Master Plan RFQ Resolution
  - a. There is a resolution in front of the board to release a request for quote (RFQ) for master planning services, as discussed at the February 7, 2024, SAIC board meeting.
    - i. There are two parts to the RFQ: the Superior Arts District service area and the Campus District service area.
      - 1. The master plan would show what we know is in every building and what we know is coming soon to each building based on development plans.

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- 2. CDI wants a master plan for the SAID because of concerns that the City of Cleveland will not design the Superior Midway correctly and will not include enough curb cuts.
  - a. The goal is to take ownership of the project and provide the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT) and the City of Cleveland with a document that includes business needs, residential needs, etc.
- ii. CDI applied for grant funding from Cleveland Neighborhood Progress (CNP) for master planning.
- iii. The RFQ would gather proposals through posts on the International Downtown Association (IDA) and Urban Land Institute (ULI) websites over the course of a month.
- iv. CDI is not committing to anything yet and is just gathering quotes.
  - 1. Alex Ragon is not sure if the SAID is ready for a master plan yet.
  - 2. Karen Perkowski had a meeting with Jon Pinney, and he agreed that an RFQ was a good idea.
  - 3. A master plan for the SAID could be helpful with all the changes that Cleveland State University is talking about, such as a new arena near East 25<sup>th</sup> Street and Payne Avenue.
- b. Michael English motions to approve the resolution to release a request for quote (RFQ) for master planning services. Chad Jones seconds the motion. The motion to approve the resolution to release a request for quote (RFQ) for master planning services passes.
- VI. New Business and Announcements
  - a. There is no new business to discuss.
- VII. Adjourn

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- a. There are no members of the public present.
- b. Board Chair Karen Perkowski adjourns the meeting.

#### **Board Packet Includes:**

- February 7, 2024, SAIC Board Meeting Minutes
- Photographs of Current Superior Avenue Landscaping
- SAIC Resolution to Enter into a Contract to Landscape Superior Avenue
- SAIC Resolution to Release a Request for Quote (RFQ) for Master Planning Services
- January 2024 Clean & Safe Report