

MINUTES
Spokane Public Facilities District
Board of Directors – Convention Center Rooms 302AB and via Webinar
Wednesday, June 23rd, 2021 at 12:30 PM

ITEM #1 TO ORDER

Board Chair Larry Soehren convened 804th Meeting of the Spokane Public Facilities District at 12:30 PM.

ITEM #2 ATTENDANCE

In attendance in rooms 302AB was Board Chair Larry Soehren along with board members, Nate Greene, and Travis Tramp. Mick McDowell attended virtually. Marty Dickinson arrived at 12:36pm. District personnel in-person included CEO Stephanie Curran, Monte Koch, Brittany Garwood, Ryan Wilson, and Tye Compogno. District staff attending virtually included, Jessica Deri, Matt Meyer, Mike Gaffaney, Stephanie Huff, Brittany Garwood, Jene Iceberg, Kay Riplinger, and Andrew Dolan. Guests attending in-person included Colin Anderson with Integrus, Eric Sawyer with the Spokane Sports Commission, and Justin Papadakis, Ryan Madden, and Cindy Wendle with the USL. Guests attending virtually included, Meg Winchester with Visit Spokane, Dave Pier with Brett Sports and Entertainment, Ryan Nackers with Levy, Tom McBride and Intisar Surur from McBride Public Affairs, Justin Kobluk with West Coast Entertainment, Scott Taylor with The Car Park, Karen Corkins with Spokane County, and Tobby Hatley with Hatley and Associates.

ITEM #3 CONSENT AGENDA

Board Chair Soehren presented the Consent Agenda items.

- **Approval of Minutes from May 26, 2021**
- **Approval of Expenditures for May 2021**
- **Approval of Expenditures Period 13**

Mr. Tramp moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented, Mr. Greene seconded and the motion was approved unanimously.

- **Approval of Axiom Division 7 Invoice**

Mr. Koch requested approval for Pay Application #1 of the Axiom Division 7 invoice in the amount of \$ 301,137.67 for project materials and labor to date for the Arena Roof work. The project is expected up to September and will include three-four additional Pay Apps.

Mr. Greene moved to approve Axiom Pay App #1 as presented, Mr. Tramp seconded and the motion was approved unanimously.

ITEM #4 DISTRICT BUSINESS

Finance Committee

Mr. Greene introduced Financials for May 2021 and Period 13.

Ms. Garwood communicated the District was (-) \$ 251,000 for May 2021, and (-) \$ 1.5 million YTD. Period 13 resulted in a loss of (-) \$ 2.3 million and 2019 was (+) \$ 2.7 million YTD.

Operations Committee

No report.

Project Committee/Sportsplex/The Podium:

Lydig Pay App #32 for May 2021:

Mr. Koch reviewed Lydig Pay App #32 for May 2021 in the amount of \$ 2,914,470.94 which represents approximately 91% of project completion and has been reviewed and approved by the Project Committee. This Pay App includes concrete placements and flatwork of sidewalks on Dean Avenue as well as electrical work, fire alarm, mobile data, and security systems.

Mr. Greene moved to approve Lydig Pay App #32 for May 2021 as presented. Mr. Tramp seconded and the motion was approved unanimously.

Project Update:

Mr. Anderson with Integrus presented a slideshow of ongoing work at The Podium starting with an aerial view. Dean Avenue will re-open in the next few weeks. Work has included sidewalks, tree wells, and areas for art placement making it more pedestrian friendly.

Basalt work on the north side is in place and the exterior podium area for flags is progressing.

The east vestibule tandori panel work is complete, the multipurpose room finishes are coming along, and the helvetica interior signage is in place.

Interior artists were onsite last week to deliver art pieces which will be placed shortly.

The video wall and scoreboard are installed.

The lower athlete lobby and warm up area surfaces are spike proof and work is wrapping up and the track flooring is onsite and will be put down in the next few weeks.

Spokane Sports Commission:

Mr Sawyer discussed last week's announcement that the Sports Commission acquired the US Karate National Championships in June of 2022.

USL Update:

Mr. Papadakis relayed the goal of the USL in Spokane, while working with Spokane Public Schools and the PFD, is to create a successful club with a positive impact on the community. He introduced Cindy Wendle as the President of the Spokane USL Club. Mr. Papadakis addressed community questions as to how the MLS fits with the USL by stating the two have had a long partnership. In addition, the USL focus is to sell out matches, have coverage on ESPN, provide an engaging fan and community experience partnered with diversity and inclusivity, and to develop players. The MLS main focus is to develop players.

CEO Update/Ms. Curran:

Governor's Office: The District is awaiting the Governor's June 30 announcement with expected changes to current mandates which are then to be re-evaluated the end of July.

Events: The first concert at the Arena is Jason Aldean September 16, 2021, and a client at the Convention Center will absorb the labor cost of installing the Terrace tent for an August reception while also paying food and beverage and rent.

Shuttered Venues Operators Grant (SVOG): Some allotments have been made including Best of Broadway.

Shock: The first game with fans in the building was last Saturday, June 19.

Diamond: The District and Diamond met last week to re-negotiate the agreement.

Levy (Food and Beverage): Levy is hiring some essential staff July 1 and August 1. District manager's and key Levy staff met for a page-turn meeting to review the agreement and align teams.

PFD Staff: The District is looking to late summer/early fall to bring back some staff and with more in October.

Stadium: There have been several meetings to work out details. An Interlocal Agreement is expected in the near future.

Brett Sports and Entertainment (BSE): There was a Podium naming rights meeting yesterday; we are awaiting a proposal, which will then be presented to the Finance Committee.

State Capital Budget Ask: The District has received a response from the Department of Commerce stating awarding of funds.

ITEM #5 PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mr. Soehren opened the Board Meeting for Public Discussion. There was none.

Mr. Kobluk stated that West Coast Entertainment has moved or lost (109) performances of which (79) were moved to future dates, and has received a grant award from SVOG for just over \$3 million.

The next SPFD Board of Directors Meeting is scheduled Wednesday, July 14 at 12:30 PM.

ITEM #6 ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the Board adjourned at 1:06 pm.

Michelle McIntyre, Clerk of the Board

Approved by the Board of Directors