



**Meeting of the Illinois Medical District Commission
2100 W. Harrison St., Chicago IL 60612 Room 106
September 19, 2023, 12:00 p.m.**

Minutes for September 19, 2023

Commissioners present: Michael Eaddy, Eleanor Gorski (via videoconference), Nick Guzman, Ann Kalayil, Steven Hackney, and Peter O'Brien.

Others present: Allyson Hansen, Gina Oka, Kate Schellinger, Chris Fahey, Tom Strachan, Gabriel Magana, Nicole Vahl, Noe Symonanis, Judy Salgado, Bill Kokalias (Axios Architects), Phillip Ciaccio (Domus Group, LLC), and Steven Ciaccio (Domus Group, LLC)

Approval of Minutes

President O'Brien called the meeting to order, and Ms. Oka took the roll call of commissioners and stated the names of staff and guests. Declaration made by President O'Brien that a quorum was present, and that Commissioner Gorski can join via videoconference. Commissioner Hackney moved and Commissioner Eaddy seconded that the minutes from the July 18, 2023, meeting be approved. The motion carried by voice vote.

Executive Director Report

Ms. Hansen provided a report on the following topics:

General updates/Administration

- Visit from the Deputy Mayor of Economic Development
- IMDI Data Center
- Business of Cities Roundtable

Legal and Regulatory

- Updated hiring sequence checklist and trademark license agreement
- Illinois Department of Human Rights (IDHR) Guidelines for the development and implementation of affirmative action plans
- Annual ethics training

Community

- Council updates and highlights
- IMD CEO Advisory Board workshop
- Healthcare Panel at the IMD
- Nightingale Subcontractor Outreach & Pre-Bid Meeting
- Summer internship overview
- IMD's bike and pedestrian safety plan update

Real Estate and Innovation and Identity

- Leasing updates
- IMD Wayfinding project update
- Operations Manager position update

Marketing and Communications

- Facebook, Instagram & LinkedIn

Events

- Rise to Shine

President O'Brien thanked Ms. Hansen for all her hard work.

Financial Report

Mr. Strachan presented the following:

- Cash is down compared to last year
- Non-current assets declined
- Unearned revenue is due to grant funds
- Equity declined due to the write down of a building
- Operating expenses no substantial changes
- Capital grant income is not controlled by us; is due to the way the grant is set up
- Expenses are lower than last year
- DEI report

Mr. Strachan addressed the commissioners' questions and requests.

Old Business

[NONE]

New Business

Master Plan – Mr. Fahey discussed recommended changes to the land use table and Sub-Area 17 plan in the Master Plan to facilitate a redevelopment project in the IMD. The Domus Group presented their proposed redevelopment plan for 1310 S. Ashland Ave. Ms. Hansen and Mr. Fahey addressed the commissioner's questions and request to amend the resolution to strike the vacation rental use in the sub-area. Ms. Oka summarized the resolution approving and adopting 2023 use table by sub-area and Sub-Area 17 plan. Ms. Oka will amend the resolution by striking the vacation rental use from Sub-Area 17. Commissioner Eaddy moved that the resolution be approved, Commissioner Guzman seconded, and the resolution was approved by voice vote.

Updated Policy for Remote Attendance – Ms. Oka provided an update on the Open Meetings Act policy for remote attendance by Commission members at public meetings. The list of acceptable reasons was expanded to include unexpected childcare obligations. Ms. Oka summarized the resolution approving and adopting of updated policy for remote attendance by commission members at public meetings. Ms. Oka addressed the commissioners’ questions. Commissioner Hackney moved that the resolution as amended be approved, Commissioner Kalayil seconded, and the resolution was approved by voice vote.

Adjournment

President O’Brien stated a possible change of day and time for the 2024 commission meetings. Confirmation needed by all commissioners by the November 2023 meeting.

Commissioner Kalayil moved and Commissioner Hackney seconded that the meeting be adjourned. The motion carried by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Nicolas Guzman, Secretary