



**City of East Point**  
**Monthly Meeting Summary**  
**Business and Industrial Development Authority**  
Thursday, June 3, 2021  
Zoom Webinar  
East Point, GA 30344  
6:30 pm

**I. Call to Order**

Joseph Johnson established a Call to Order of the East Point Business and Industrial Development Authority (BIDA) meeting at 6:36 pm.

**Board Members Present:** Joseph Johnson (Vice Chair), Jackie-Slaughter-Gibbons, Margaret McClure, Gloria Speed, and Kristin Jackson-Pritz

**Others Present:**

Maceo Rodgers (Director of Economic Development), Regina Carter (Secretary/Treasurer), and Kirby Glaze (Legal Counsel)

**II. Approval of the Agenda**

Ms. Margaret McClure motioned to approve the the agenda as printed and seconded by Mr. Joseph Johnson. **Approved unanimously, the motion carried.**

**III. Approval of the Meeting Summary: *April 1, 2021 summary***

Ms. Margaret Mc Clure motioned to amend the April 1, 2021 to recognized that she made an objection to the March 4, 2021 summary which was not denoted in the April summary. Mr. Joseph Johnson motioned to approve the April summary as amended. Ms. McClure seconded the motion. **Approved unanimously, the motion carried.**

**IV. Chairperson's Report**

None

**V. Secretary/Treasurer's Report**

The bank reconciliations of April & May 2021 were entered into the record. In addition, Ms. Carter recognized the General Liability and Director's Insurance payments that were paid and cleared the bank in May and that would be cleared in June. Mr. Kirby Glaze stated the General Liability included a higher than needed payment for Arden's Garden; however, the leasehold agreement requires the property lease carry insurance with BIDA as the additionally insured beneficiary therefore BIDA should not carry that property on the General Liability Insurance. Ms. Carter responded that the cost will be applied until Arden's Garden provides the underwriter with a Certificat of Insurance that states BIDA as such. This completed the Treasurers report.

## VI. Legal Report

Mr. Kirby Glaze stated he had two items to report. The first concerned the right of way acquisition for the streetscape intermodal project. The previous month BIDA approved the offer for Parcel #37 right of way property. At that time, we also received an offer for Parcel #27; however, there was some confusion as to the title ownership between the Downtown Development Authority and the East Point Business Industrial Development Authority. To prevent the delay of the streetscape project, Mr. Glaze suggested, in a letter, to both Chairs of the Authority entities to allow BIDA to move forward to accept the offer as well as execute the documents to satisfy the title requirements. Kirby stated he felt the five hundred dollar offer was appropriate for the relatively small piece of right of way. We will need to sort out the title ownership later. Therefore, Mr. Glaze is asking the Board to consider approving the sale of Parcel #27 to the City of East Point so that they may proceed with the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) streetscape project.

Ms. Margaret McClure made the motion to approve the the acceptance of the sale offer of Parcel #27 to the City of East Point on behalf of the Georgia Department of Transportation. Motion was seconded by Mr. Joseph Johnson. **Approved unanimously, the motion carried.**

The second item. Kirby was informed from the bond counsel there was no filing of a UCC statement during the bond closing of the equipment. Therefore, BIDA will need to approve the execution and file an UCC statement for the amount of the Georgia REBA grant. As such, Mr. Joseph Johnson made a motion to approve and authorize the signing of Chairperson Brittany Byrom to a local agreement, a certification of the award letter, and the filing of a UCC Finance statement for the amount covering the equipment purchased by the Georgia REBA grant funds. Motion was seconded by Ms. Jackie Slaughter Gibbons. **Approved unanimously, the motion carried.**

Following the action of the approval, Ms. McClure posed a question to Mr. Glaze as to the what would BIDA benefit from this transaction? Kirby responded that BIDA is just the conduit for the grant from the State of Georgia to the recipient and therefore does not obtain any monetary benefit from the grant. Please note the state does not make grants to private entities but instead make them through Authorities as overseers. However, the transaction is a part of the inducement to get Home Depot to locate in the City of East Point with all obligations will in turn be the responsibilities of Home Depot. Mr. Maceo Rogers added that these types of grants are typically used to secure competitive advantage within an economic development deals in a state or specific location.

## VII. Old Business

Mr. Rogers informed the Board that we were requested by EF Block of Georgia to provide a letter of support for their project. Maceo constructed and forwarded the letter to the Chair for her approval and signature. Ms. McClure disadreed with the steps Mr. Rogers took in this process by allowing the Chairperson to sign the letter without bringing it to the Board for their approval first. However, Attorney Kirby Glaze stated allowing the Chair to sign would be ok if the letter of support simply states that the Authority has induced the project and thereby through that inducement there is evidence of support of the project then it would be an administrative function and could be done without Board approval. Whereas, if the letter states anything more than that then it would require the Boards approval.

Mr. Rogers upon request of the Vice Chair placed a copy of the letter on the screen and the letter was read it out loud into the minutes. (*Copy of the Letter is attached to these minutes*) Upon completion a motion was made to approval the letter of support to EF Block of Georgia by Vice Chair Joseph Johnson and seconded by Ms. Jackie Slaughter Gibbons. **Approved unanimously, the motion carried.**



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East Point, GA 30344

**Brittany Byrom**  
Chairperson

**Joseph Johnson**  
Vice Chairperson

June 3, 2021

Mr. Richard Randolph, III  
EF Block Georgia  
1326 White Street, SW  
Atlanta, GA 30310

Dear Mr. Randolph, III,

On behalf of the East Point Business & Industrial Development Authority (BIDA), we welcome EF Block Georgia to the City of East Point and the excitement that this project will bring to us. We've had grave success in revitalization efforts regarding our Lawrence Avenue Industrial area and this project facilitates those efforts.

We offer fabulous access to the Urban Core of Atlanta, Hartsfield Jackson airport and a logistical advantage of MARTA Rail and Bus service, as well as easy access to major interstate highways. As traffic continues to increase with the growth of the region, East Point's excellent proximity to global business and transportation is attracting more attention and investment.

EF Block Georgia will be located on E. Woodberry Ave., in East Point and will bring jobs and investment to the area, as well as community benefits that will have a lasting impact on the City. BIDA supports this project and is optimistic about its success for the future.

As always, we are available to meet and discuss your project needs, any special requirements or timing concerns that EF Block Georgia may have in order to move this project forward.

Respectfully Submitted,

*Brittany Byrom*

Brittany Byrom  
Chairperson

cc: Mr. Maceo Rogers, Director – Economic Development

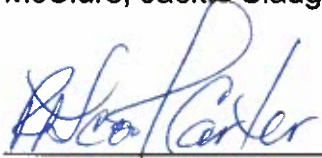
**VIII. New Business**

None

**IX. Adjournment**

Having no further business, the meeting properly adjourned at 7:01 p.m. following an unanimous adoption of a motion made by Mr. Joseph Johnson and seconded by Ms. Gloria Speed. **Approved unanimously, the motion carried.**

This summary was approved by Board Members In attendance on August 5, 2021:  
Brittany Byrom (Chair), Joseph Johnson (Vice Chair), Kristin Jackson Pritz, Margaret McClure, Jackie Slaughter Gibbons, and Gloria Speed



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Regina T. Scott-Carter  
Secretary/Treasurer  
August 5, 2021