

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES
CUMBERLAND COMMUNITY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
Thursday, June 27, 2019

Members Present

John Shern, Chairman
Connie Engle, Vice-Chairwoman
Barry Teague, Treasurer
Stephen Barnhouse
Bob Voyles
Mason Zimmerman

Cobb Chamber of Commerce

Nelson Geter
Slade Gullede
Dana Johnson
Sharon Mason
Mike Winters

Others Present

Tim Matthews, Georgia DOT
Matt Josey, National Park Service -
Southeast Region
Carolyn Baar, Georgia Commute Options
Vance Smith, Pond & Co.
Heidi Dasinger, Marietta Power and Water
Brad Hale, Moreland Altobelli
Sam Olens, Dentons
Peter Horman, Thompson
Josh Winter, Winter Design
Jean Yu, HNTB Corporation
Drew Pitman, HNTB Corporation
Eric Bosman, Kimley-Horn
Cody Zanni, Kimley-Horn
Ron Sifen, Vinings HOA
Jon Gargis, Marietta Daily Journal
Claire Bartlett, U.S. Representative
Loudermilk's Office
Drew Ferguson, U.S. Senator Isakson's
Office

Members Absent

Mike Plant

Jacobs

Alex Chung
Derrick Vincent

Legal Counsel

Lynn Rainey

Cobb County Government

Mike Boyce, Chairman, Board of
Commissioners
Bob Ott, Commissioner District 2
Erica Parish, Director, Cobb DOT
Karyn Matthews, Engineer District 2

Cumberland CID

Kyethea Clark
Kim Menefee
Rasha Al Rawi
Lisa Sanders

The **June 27, 2019** meeting of the Cumberland Community Improvement District Board was called to order at 7:36 a.m. by board chair, John Shern, at the Cobb Chamber of Commerce, 240 Interstate North Parkway, Atlanta, Cobb County, Georgia, pursuant to legal notice. A quorum was present.

A. ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

1. Minutes: Chairman Shern presented the minutes from the May 30, 2019 board meeting. **Motion to approve made by Mr. Voyles; seconded by Mr. Zimmerman. The motion passed unanimously.**
2. Financials: Mr. Teague presented the Treasurer's Report (Exhibit A) and May Financial Report (Exhibit B). **Motion to approve made by Mr. Teague; motion seconded by Ms. Engel. The motion passed unanimously.**
3. Tax Millage Rate – Mr. Rainey informed the board that a proposed millage rate would need to be advertised before submitting to the Tax Commissioner's office by the July 24 deadline. It was the consensus of the board to advertise a proposed five mills. Mr. Zimmerman requested an analysis of three, four, and five mills prior to voting at the July board meeting. Mike Winters will prepare an analysis.

B. CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS & UPDATES

Mr. Shern informed the board that the Cobb County Board of Commissioners approved a Consolidated Cumberland CID Boundary Description at their June 25, 2019 Regular Board Meeting, which is a description of metes and bounds of the Cumberland CID. The map was requested by Commissioner Ott. The tax parcel identification of the CID will continue to be utilized as the description of the boundaries of the CID by the Tax Commissioner's Office for issuing CID tax invoices. The Tax Commissioner will compare its records with the metes and bounds map to determine if they are consistent.

C. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REMARKS & UPDATES**

Ms. Menefee provided the following updates:

1. **Akers Mill Ramp** – An expected announcement of the Infra grant award in mid-July. She also informed the board of the intent to apply for the BUILD grant and inclusion of Letters of Support from stakeholders and partners by the deadline of July 15. Additionally, Cobb County Board of Commissioners approved a resolution at their June 25 Regular Board Meeting, authorizing the submission of the grant to the U.S. Department of Transportation.
2. **Paces Mill/Palisades Renovation** – National Parks Service now requires a formal agreement with partners. This request will delay the submission to the NPS Design Board until November. Mr. Rainey will review the contracts.
3. **Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony for the Bob Callan Trail extension** – July 25, 2019, at the trailhead near Interstate North Pkwy. and Cumberland Blvd. Board Chair John Shern, and Mr. Doug Hooker of ARC and Commission Chair Mike Boyce will be the guest speakers.

D. **DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS UPDATE**

Ms. Clark provided an update on the following **Capital Improvements**:

1. **Cumberland Blvd. Streetscape** – The contractor is completing the punch list, with a completion date of August 2019.
2. **Riverwood Pkwy. Streetscapes** – Contractors have laid most of the sidewalk; construction of two of the three plazas and landscape installation will be September 2019.
3. **SCATS Traffic Optimization Project** – Signal timing in the Cumberland area is analyzed and completed along nine roadways including: Cumberland Blvd., Powers Ferry Rd., Windy Hill Rd., Paces Ferry Rd, and Cumberland Pkwy. Roadways currently wrapping up are Akers Mill Rd. and Cobb Galleria Pkwy. The scheduled completion is July 2019.
4. **I-285 Interchange Phase One Clean-up** – An inspection drive with Mr. Voyles, Mr. Teague, CCID staff, and a few key contractors took place recently to observe progress. The anticipated completion is July 2019.
5. **I-285 Interchange Phase Two Tree Installation** – This project will include the installation of trees along the interchange. There have been favorable conversations with GDOT to maintain new trees planted after the one year establishment period as well as the continued maintenance of existing landscaping seven times per year. Scope of work will be sent to contractors for bidding, followed by request for funding from the board before work commences.
6. **Bob Callan Trail Extensions** – Phase 2a is complete and will officially open to the public on the day of the ribbon-cutting (July 25). Phase 2b is under design and will be presented to the board in late 2019.
7. **Cobb County Bike Share Ordinance (Exhibit C)** was approved at the Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting on June 25 permitting bike share on county property and right of ways. The ordinance will provide expansion opportunities for the CCID bike share program.

Presentations:

1. **I-285 Transit Feasibility Study** – Mr. Bosman of Kimley-Horn presented a recap of this study, comparing a rubber tire system to a rail-based transit system along the corridor (Exhibit D). The presentation listed partners involved, areas studied, and the next phase. Kimley-Horn will have the Phase 2 Study complete by the end of 2019.
2. **GDOT I-285 Top End and I-285 Westside Express Lanes** – Mr. Matthews with Georgia DOT presented the Major Mobility Investment Program (MMIP) with details on the projects investment, funding, locations, and timeline (Exhibit E). He explained how the managed lanes have provided a solution to the congestion and the efficiency of travel, specifically relating to the Northwest Corridor's success. GDOT anticipates the I-285 Top End Express Lanes to open to traffic by 2028. He also mentioned there would be Public Information Open Houses (PIOHs) in early 2020. A recording of these meetings with a 3D video of each project will be on the MMIP website.

COBB COUNTY ISSUES & UPDATES

Commission Chairman Boyce instructed that funding for transit projects to be added on the 2022 referendum must have the Cobb Transportation Program (CTP) approval. He also mentioned the Marietta Daily Journal's article regarding the county tax digest and expressed there can be no roll-back of taxes if there is to be an increase in pay for public safety officials.

Commissioner Ott provided an update on the Windy Hill Connector demolition progress; construction will take place soon. He also informed the board of a donation of almost 28 acres (7 ½ acres near Wildwood and 20 acres near Bob Callan Trail extension 2a and near the heli-pad) to the county adding green space, rudimentary trails, and lakes. The value of the property will fulfill the \$40 million park bond budget. Commissioner Ott also stated further development of Restaurant Row.

COBB CHAMBER UPDATE

Ms. Mason informed the board of the Transportation Mobility Committee's plans for a Summit later this year. She also shared that the Government Affairs Committee is working on the Federal Legislative Agenda, and transportation is a key priority. Ms. Mason concluded with sharing Economic Development, under Dana Johnson's leadership, has attracted a diverse range of industries resulting in over 2,000 new jobs this year and 30,000 high-quality jobs since the inception of SelectCobb.

OTHER BUSINESS

The next regular board meeting is July 25, 2019, 7:30 a.m. at the Cobb Chamber of Commerce, Pilcher Board Room. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 a.m.

Approved by the Board this _____ day of
_____, 2019

Secretary