



DVP Board Meeting Board Meeting Minutes, Mar. 23, 2016

- 1) Call to Order & Introductions.
 - a) President David Armstrong called the meeting to order at 8:34am.
 - b) DVP Directors Present: President Armstrong, Jeff Becker, David Comden, Debbie Fox, Angie Hecht, Mike Merewether, Jeff Smith, Christy Weir. Quorum met.
Other attendees: Executive Director Kevin Clerici, Deputy Director Meredith Hart, Yvonne Besvold (Patagonia), Emily DeArkland (OFI), Barbara Evans (Parking Advisory Committee/Downtown resident), Sgt. Jerry Foreman (VPD), Officer Bill Griffin (VPD), Vincenzo Giammanco (CA Beer Fest), Jeff Lambert (City of Ventura), Sid White (Ventura Realty Co.), Robert Vasquez (BBB).
- 2) Approval of February DVP Minutes:
 - a) Motion made by Jeff Becker, seconded by Christy Weir. Passed unanimously.
- 3) Approval of January & February, 2016 DVP Financials:
 - a) Motion made by Jeff Smith with adjustments, seconded by Mike Merewether. Passed unanimously.
- 4) DVP Action Items:
 - a) 2016 Board Election results certified. Motion made by Debbie Fox, seconded by Mike Merewether. Passed unanimously. Hartley returns. Yvonne Besvold and Emily DeArkland welcomed to the board.
 - b) Officer positions elected. President David Armstrong, Vice President Doug Wood and Secretary Mark Hartley re-elected for one-year terms. Motion made by Jeff Smith, seconded by Christy Weir. Passed unanimously.
 - c) Yvonne Besvold elected as Treasurer for one-year term. Motion made by Mike Merewether, seconded by Debbie Fox. Passed unanimously.
- 5) PlayGround concept for Plaza Park:
 - a) Concept features modified shipping containers and would provide space for concerts, small shops, Dog Park, and event center.
 - (1) Half of park to remain open to public use. Applicant to provide maintenance, security.
 - b) Board enthusiastically embraced concept to privatize, activate and maintain Plaza Park for public use. DVP staff directed to assist with creation and express strong support to City Council and have a place at the table at all PlayGround discussions. Motion made by Debbie Fox, seconded by Angie Hecht. Christy Weir abstained. Passed unanimously.
- 6) Reports:
 - a) Police Report:
 - i) 143 calls for vagrant behavior in February. Half were officer-initiated calls.
 - ii) Schedule adjustment with Officers patrolling until 10pm for March has been helpful with night element.
 - iii) Additional PTF Officer may be hired at end of April.
 - iv) Community Intervention Court has been helpful with chronic offenders.
 - b) City Report:
 - i) Patagonia expanding. About to submit plans for new building.
 - ii) April 18th City Council Homeless Workshop at Fairgrounds. 5:30pm.

- iii) Mission Hotel and Hamilton Hotel being renovated.
- c) Parking Report:
 - i) Portion of lot behind Dargan's will be converted to 4 hours for pilot program.
 - ii) Debt payment for meters on track for June, leaving one more payment in 2017.
- d) Director's Report:
 - i) Interviewed for Council's Homeless Workshop discussion.
 - ii) April 2nd 150th events in Downtown. Picnic and Big Bad Voodoo Daddy Concert.
 - iii) Ambassadors continue to improve parks and Main Street.
 - iv) DVP social media efforts to include specific business profiles.

Meeting adjourned at 10:21 am.

Minutes submitted by Kevin Clerici & Meredith Hart.