

City of Lake Charles

Meeting of the Downtown Development Authority LDS

City Council Chambers – City Hall – 326 Pujo St.

Monday February 7, 2022 at 5:30 P.M.

DDA Monthly Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 5:32 P.M. by Ms. Dianna Ross Pledge of Allegiance was said Ms. Ross asked for a Roll Call – Called by Beth Broussard

- In Attendance: Dean Day, Dianna Ross, Jackie Simien, Jay Ecker, Sara Lasher, Zita Andrus Absent: Nathaniel Allured Approval of the February 3, 2020 minutes. Mr.
- Directors Report

First on the agenda to vote for Officers – Secretary/Treasurer – Jackie Simien

2022 EVENT SEASON -- Resolutions Approved for DDA Annual event Calendar

- Art and Humanities Council Devan Corbello; President Randy Partin
 - March Live at the Lakefront 3 Fridays March 11-18-25
 - April 30 Spring Art Walk (2022-001)
 - Sept. 30 Gallery Promenade
 - o Oct. 15 Arts Fest
 - Oct 15 Chuck Fest (2022-002
 - o Oct 21 Living History tour
 - Nov. 26 Holiday Art Walk Small Business Saturday after Thanksgiving (2022-03)
- Louisiana Beer fest (May 7) (2022-004)
- This is Home Festival (May 14, 2022) (2022-005)
- Smoke and Barrel (November 19, 2022) (2022-006)
- CPPJ December Holiday Party (December 2022)
- City Sponsors Cultural Affairs
 - May Downtown at Sundown 4 Fridays May 13, 20, 27, and June 3rd, 2022
 - June Catch a Concert 4 Mondays
 - o July Red White Blue and You 4th of July
 - Oct. Arts and Culture Fest
 - Dec. Light up the Lake 1st Saturday December

Devon Corbello with the Arts Council of SWLA spoke on Spring art, Chuck fest, and Holiday art walk. They all 3 similar all free events with alcohol sales. Dean Day made a motion to accept resolutions 2022-001, 2022-002, and 2022-003. Jay Ecker 2nd the motion, all in favor.

Jay ecker asked that 2022-004 and 2022-005 be moved to the back and allow 2022-006 to move to the front. All in Favor.

Adam Fontenot spoke on Smoke and Barrel. This is the 4th year, it will be held in the same location, There will Be free entertainment and also a VIP area. There will be bands from Texas as well as Louisiana. Also BBQ And Bourbon. Dean Day motion to accept 2022-006, Jay Ecker 2nd the motion, all in favor

Sara Lasher spoke on Louisiana Beer fest. The festival will remain same as always with free entertainment But are expecting around 50 brewers this year. Jackie Simien motioned to accept 2022-004, Zita Andrus 2nd the Motion, all in favor.

Jay Ecker spoke on This is home fest. This will be the 2nd year for the festival. Music, food and arts. 2 stage Areas, and there will be headliners. Zita Andrus motioned to accept 2022-005, Sara Lasher 2nd the motion, All in favor.

Ms. Marinovich discussed the parade route this year for Mardi Gras. Civic Center to Pine to Ryan St. Jay Ecker had no updates on the business association.

Next meeting is scheduled for March 7, 2022

Chairperson Ms. Ross adjourned meeting at 6:21