



City of Lake Charles

Meeting of the Downtown Development Authority LDS

City Council Chambers – City Hall – 326 Pujoe St

Monday Feb. 4, 2019 5:30 P.M.

DDA Monthly Meeting Minutes

Meeting called to order at 5:32 P.M. by Mr. Dean Day

- Mr. Dan Day asked for a Roll Call - Called by Beth Broussard
- In Attendance: Dean Day, Jackie Simien, Dianna Ross and Jacob Stutes
- Absent: Chris Shearman, Chris Khoury, Zita Andrus
- Pledge of allegiance was said
- Approval of Dec.3rd, 2018 minutes by all members

➤ **Chairman's Committee Reports**

Ms. Marinovich updated all on the More for Less at the corner of Beldon and Ryan St. Chris Khoury and Chris Shearman have been very involved in this. Mr. Dean Day expressed that how great this is going to be for Lake Charles. Ms. Dianna Ross said this is a long time coming. Very excited about it.

Panorama Music House – All moving a long, trying to open for Mardi Gras. Grand opening will be around the end of March. Good food, Beer.

Port Wonder - Working on Action items, site readiness.. Utilities, grading, revamp parking deck, etc. which will require total re wiring, new elevator.

Update on **ERDACE Development** All four buildings are up, almost completely framed. They are still trying to tie in some utilities, they promise Ryan St will be open for Floats to roll on the 28th of Feb. The holes will be filled.

The Interstate Beautification – The Ryan Street section has been completed. Should see trees going up on 171, similar to Ryan St. off ramp.

Downtown Streetscape Mill & Division – City Council will accept bids Wednesday night and will probably start on that after Mardi Gras, Mill St. side first.

Lakeshore Dr. Multi-Use Trail –Bord du Lac park side, started pouring concrete last week. Brick people will be here end of February. Multi use trail ends at Broad St.

Civic Center Shoreline Erosion Repair North Beach to Promenade- Maintenance project, as we look at the Lake front shoreline, we see a lot of erosion along the sidewalks. These need some repair jobs.

Amphitheater – City is working on it. The CVB is involved with getting extra electrical to ramp Up the availability. The electrical engineer is involved. Project has been approved by City Council.

Mr. Day made a suggestion that the upgraded facilities be available on city website.

Wayfinding signage – City will add 2, One at the 1911 building and one wall mount at transit.

BeerFest – This year it will be moved to 1911 and the courthouse lawn. Kirby St will be used. Beerfest is on March 9th 2019.

Meet the Locals Video report - Jackie Simien

Ms. Simien update on the Meet the Locals Series. Video has been completed and will be debuted at the CVB breakfast on Tuesday the 5th. There will be more coming out.

St. Patrick's Day Pub Crawl – Mr. Brian Pitre

Pub Crawling Safety this year. – Would like to do a road closure this year. This would be from Kirby St. to Mill St. The proceeds have not been designated for this year as of Yet. This will be held Saturday March 16, 2019. Last year the attendance was over 600.

Sister City, Sioux City will be trickling in weekend before Mardi Gras. And full agenda of events throughout the weekend.

March 4th meeting canceled – Mardi Gras on the 5th.

Next Meeting is scheduled for April 1, 2019 at 5:30 P.M.

Mr. Dean Day Adjourned meeting at 6:02 P.M.

Lori Marinovich, Executive Director
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Dianna Ross, Secretary/Treasurer
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