ANN ARBOR DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
OPERATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, January 30, 2014

Place: DDA Office, 150 S. Fifth Avenue, Suite 301, Ann Arbor, 48104
Time: 11:00 a.m.
Present: Robert Guenzel, Roger Hewitt, Joan Lowenstein, John Mouat, Keith Orr, John Split
Absent: Cyndi Clark, Russ Collins, Al McWilliams, Rishi Narayan, Steve Powers, Sandi Smith
Staff: Susan Pollay, Executive Director; Joseph Morehouse, Deputy Director; Jada Hahlbrock, Management Assistant
Public: Nancy Shore, getDowntown; Art Low, Republic Parking; Bill DeGroot, AAATA, Dave Askins, Ann Arbor Chronicle, Ray Detter, Downtown Area CAC

1. Transportation
   · Get Downtown - Ms. Shore presented statistics for the go!pass and getDowntown program, including recent employer and employee survey findings.
   · AAATA’s 5 Year Service Plan- Mr. DeGroot gave a presentation, which also highlighted service increases that would benefit downtown, such as more evening and weekend service, additional park & ride lots, etc.

2. Parking Operations- Mr. Low presented parking data from New Year’s Eve and New Years Day.

3. Financial Statements – Mr. Morehouse reviewed 2nd Quarter statements and parking data.

4. New Business
   · Old YMCA Lot- Mr. Morehouse reported that the DDA had received a proposal from the Dahlmann Company that would have the DDA lease back the 5th & William lot to continue its use as a public parking lot. Committee consensus was not to pursue a lease, and to allow the lot to close once the City sale was completed.

5. Old Business
   · Contribution in Lieu - Ms. Pollay reported that the 624 Church St project was approved, and at this meeting Council members indicated an interest in terminating the City’s CIL zoning option.
   · Meter Removal Policy – Ms. Pollay presented a draft statement that would eventually be used to determine if a parking meter removal had a public benefit. Discussion will continue at future committee meetings.
   · Ambassadors- Susan Pollay said research into Ambassador programs was continuing. Per committee request, a draft RFQ has been created as part of this exploration process, and she would send it to committee members for edits.

6. Audience Participation- none

The meeting adjourned at 1:15 pm.
Susan Pollay, Executive Director