

Rose Kennedy Greenway Board of Directors Meeting Tuesday, May 19, 2023 – 5:30 pm

Meeting Minutes

Board Members Present: Jessica Hughes, Deniz Johnson, Hilliana Ajakaiye, Jenny Morse, Linda See, John Shea, Rebecca Lee, Sayed Saleh, Conor Finely, Carmine Guarino, Kirsten Hoffman, Doug Husid, Rosalind Gorin

Board Members Not Present: Yvonne García, Brad Snyder, Jenifer Fang, Ali Achtmeyer, Matt Conti

Conservancy Staff Present: Chris Cook, Tracey Cooke, David Dalena, Audrey Lopez, Eileen Ong, Alex Rogers Pittman, Robert Stigberg, Muyi Okundaye, Karlecia Berganza

Invited Guests Present: David Kelleher

Members of the Public Present: N/A

Open Session

Greenway Board Chair Doug Husid called the meeting to order in open session with a quorum present via Zoom at 5:34pm.

- 1. Husid called for a motion to approve the minutes from the March 28th 2023 meeting of the Board of Directors. **Upon a motion made by Husid and seconded by Lee, the minutes were unanimously approved.**
- 2. Dave Kelleher of AAFCPAs reports on the 990 and the form PC. There were no areas of concern with the audit or the tax filings.. Upon a motion made by Husid and seconded by Sayed Selah, the 990 was unanimously approved.

Dave Kelleher left meeting at 5:51 pm

3. Nominating Committee Co-Chair Hilina Ajakaiye presented Michael Bonnetti as State Senator Lydia Edwards' nomination to the board of directors. Ajakaiye presents his background and resume. Carmine Guarino complemented the

nomination and emphasized that he believes Bonetti will be a valuable addition to the board. Upon a motion made by Husid and seconded by Linda See, Michael Bonetti was unanimously voted onto the Rose Kennedy Greenway Board of Directors for one 5 year term.

4. Director of Maintenance and Capital Bob Stigberg reported on current capital projects. He reported that Chin Park lighting is finishing up, with largely just punch list items left. Chris Cook commented on the project's success and recognized Stigberg for his commitment to working in partnership with the Chinatown community. Stigberg updated the board on flood resilience measures being undertaken at the Rings Fountain. Stigberg also provided an update on the planned lighting and pathway projects for P19, P21 and P22.

Rosalind Gorin arrives at 6:02 pm

- 5. Alex Rogers Pittman gave a fundraising update and reported that the Greenway is meeting their goals. This update included a preview of how sponsorships are going for the upcoming events Gala on the Greenway and Glow in the Park. Gala was performing on pace with the set goal and Glow in the park is outperforming its goal. Rogers Pittman asked the board to spread the word that individual tickets are on sale. Rogers Pittman also presented the concepts for the live appeal at both events. David Dalena also presented an update on bench dedications which is being very positively received.
- 6. Audrey Lopez presented a Public Art update and highlighted the partnership with the Roxbury Sunflower Project.
- 7. Cook provided general updates including the Greenway BID, funding agreements with public partners, and the anticipated MassDOT Greenway Maintenance Facility.
- 8. There were no members of the public present for questions.

Upon a motion made by Husid and seconded by Shea, and passing unanimously the Rose Kennedy Greenway Conservancy Board Meeting was adjourned at 7:15pm.