

SCFD BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

April 22, 2021

1:00 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

SCFD Board members present: Chair Gino Greco, Vice-Chair Raymond Gonzales, Secretary Marcela de la Mar, Treasurer Ann Speer, Suzanne Crawford, Councilwoman Kendra Black, Carlos Martinez, Jack Finlaw, Kathy Nesbitt, Jake Zambrano, and Deborah Malden

SCFD staff present: Executive Director Deborah Jordy, Deputy Director Jessica Kato, Program Officer Dana Manyothane, Program Officer Heather Porter, and Program Officer Kendal Zimmermann.

1. Introduction and Quorum

Chairman Gino Greco called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m., followed by introductions. A quorum was present.

2. Review & Approval of Agenda

Agenda was unanimously accepted without objection or revision.

3. Approval of February 25, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes

Deborah Malden motioned to approve the minutes from the February 25, 2021 meeting. Suzanne Crawford seconded. Motion to accept the minutes passed.

4. Resolution 21-03: Pertaining to 2021 Tier III Budgeted Distribution

Carlos Martinez motioned to approve Resolution 21-03: Pertaining to 2021 Tier III Budgeted Distribution. Ann Speer seconded. Motion to approve the resolution passed.

5. Reports

5.1 Treasurer

Ann Speer reported the February 2021 SCFD sales and use tax revenue was \$4,925,961.00. The 2021 year-to-date (YTD) sales and use tax revenue is \$10,080,623.34. This compares to YTD 2020 sales and use tax revenue of \$9,799,810.01. The variance is \$280,813.33, a 2.87% increase in YTD 2021 over YTD 2020. Ann Speer also informed the board that the SCFD Teen Council is doing amazing things and looking for new applicants.

5.2 Chairman

Gino Greco reviewed the 2021 board meeting schedule. He informed the board we are looking at a virtual/ in-person hybrid for meetings going forward. If all goes well, hopefully, we can have an in-person meeting in October. The rest of the board had no objections to the strategy. Gino mentioned this hybrid model may be a good way forward into 2022 as well. Gino also informed the board that he and Jack Finlaw conducted Deborah Jordy's 2020 annual performance review. He thanked the board for their feedback in the process and that everyone acknowledged SCFD is fortunate to have an Executive Director like Deborah.

Gino then asked Jake Zambrano to give an overview relative to the City of Aurora. Jake said he and Deborah were invited to present to Aurora City Council's Federal, State, and Intergovernmental Relations committee in regards to a resident's proposal for City of Aurora to leave SCFD. While the city rejected the proposal, it did re-spark a conversation about the need for a performing arts complex for the city.

Finally, Gino thanked the staff for their hard work and read a few emails from appreciative grantee organizations.

5.3 Executive Director

Deborah updated the board on the administrative assistant position search. The job posting has closed and 45 applications were received. The interview process is underway, with plans to have someone start late May.

Deborah continued with several updates for the board:

- Starting June 7th, the staff will begin a hybrid work model, with staff working in-person at the office on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.
- The board portal in Fluxx will be available in early May.
- SCFD's annual audit is underway and running smoothly.
- We are planning to partner with Denver Botanic Gardens on a scaled-down version of the Engage, Empower, Connectevent. More information coming soon.
- We are continuing to monitor pandemic impact on the organizations and will consistently analyze and evaluate what SCFD can do to support the cultural community.

6. Other Matters (new/old business)

Vice-chairman Raymond Gonzales informed the board that Adams County will be hosting the NACO (National Association of Counties) 2022 conference at the Gaylord Hotel. He believes it is a wonderful opportunity for us to highlight SCFD and our amazing organizations.

Chairman Gino Greco announced that many board members were interested in revisiting the Board Role/Expectations document worked on in late 2019. He and Deborah Jordy will be discussing next steps.

7. Public Comment


Jannett Matusiak, Director of the Collaborative of the SCFD reminded the board that the Alliance grant is open for schools in Adams, Boulder, Denver, and Jefferson Counties and the deadline for teachers to apply is May 3, 2021.

Kristy Bassuener, Director of Communications and Public Affairs at the Denver Art Museum announced the museum has an opening date for the Martin Building on October 24th. There will be many events to celebrate the opening and she thanked the SCFD for its ongoing support.

Lisa Mumpton, Cultural Arts Supervisor for the City of the Aurora gave an update on the programming at the Aurora Fox.

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:42 pm.


Secretary