## Uptown Parking Benefit District Advisory Committee – Special Meeting August 26, 2021

## Video Conference via Microsoft Teams MEETING MINTUES

## **Members in Attendance**

Charlie Intebi, John Moye, Sammy Holaschutz, Gloria Viramontes, Michael Myers

**Members Absent** 

Austin Allen, William "Carlos" Keating, Cynthia Pina (non-voting member)

Vacancies: 1

**Staff Members Present/Department: 6** 

Hannah A Allen (Williams)/SAM, Harold Kutz/SAM, Lt. Shields/EPPD, Roberta Brito/CAO

1. Establishment of Quorum, Call to Order, and Roll Call

Quorum established and meeting called to order at 4:12 PM.

2. Call to the Public (items not listed on the Agenda):

Call to the public made – no public comment.

**3. Discussion and Action:** Security update on activity within the district. UPBDAC action on staffing.

Lt. Shields informed that PD is discussing suspending some of the entertainment district operations to only staffing Cincinnati on only Saturdays but increase presence. If it goes into effect, that would occur on September 10<sup>th</sup>. Working on plan for Friday night coverage.

Lt. Shields requested certain number of officers to work for the month of September: 4 officers on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup>, 2 officers each Friday after that (10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>) all pending what the City says regarding the rest of the ops. Lt. Shields states that if she can staff with on-duty or OT personnel, then she would not utilize the Uptown guys [officers]. Friday crowd is a little more calm although there is a lot of people there are no fights/gun violence. Saturday crowd is insane. Request for 10 officers at 5 hours a piece for month of September.

Michael Myers comments maintaining presence of police.

Charlie Intebi mentions the increase in cost (doubled) for the Alley Activation project.

Sammy Holaschutz asks how the patrolling and presence will affect the neighborhood by reducing the officers to two and keeping the rowdiness [down] in the area. Lt. Shields explains general strategy with officers hired with UPBDAC funding: keeps them inside the neighborhoods - parking and keeping people out of the neighborhood. EPPD staffed officers are tasked with security of the area, serving a mixed role.

John Moye mentioned concerns from neighbors about crime in the neighborhood.

**Action:** Motion to approve 10 officers at 5 hours a piece for the month of September by Sammy Holaschutz and seconded by Gloria Viramontes, and unanimously passed.

John Moye asks if the board needs to approve funding for OT officers for October as well, in order to avoid the need for another Special Meeting. Charlie Intebi suggests waiting for the entire committee to be present and to give an opportunity for Lt. Shields to know information regarding EPPD operations and officers.

4. Discussion: Identification of Items for Future Agenda

5. Adjournment

Meeting concluded at 4:30 PM by John Moye.

Hannah Adele Williams

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