

**ABI Board of Directors Meeting
Meeting Minutes
December 10, 2014 8:43 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.**

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held on Wednesday, December 10, 2014, at the offices of Atlanta BeltLine, Inc. located at 86 Pryor Street, S.W., Suite 300, Conference Room A - Atlanta, Georgia. The following members were present to constitute a quorum:

Board of Directors present:

Ms. Elizabeth Chandler, Vice Chair
Ms. Cathy Woolard, Secretary
Mr. Andre Dickens, Treasurer
Ms. Cynthia Briscoe-Brown
Ms. Ernestine Garey
Mr. Charlie Shufeldt via phone
Ms. Emma Darnell

Atlanta BeltLine, Inc. staff present:

Mr. Paul F. Morris
Ms. Lisa Y. Gordon
Ms. Patrise Perkins-Hooker
Mr. Marshall Norwood
Mr. Lee Harrop
Ms. Ericka Davis
Ms. Beth McMillian
Mr. Ben Limmer
Ms. Jill Johnson
Mr. Jerald Mitchell
Mr. James Alexander

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was formally called to order by Vice Chair, Ms. Chandler, at 8:43 a.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion to approve the agenda for the Board of Directors' meeting of December 10, 2014 was made by Ms. Garey and seconded by Ms. Woolard. The motion was unanimously approved.

A motion to approve the minutes from the Board of Directors' meeting on October 8, 2014 and the Executive Committee meeting on November 11, 2014 was made by Ms. Garey and seconded by Ms. Woolard. The motion was unanimously approved.

STAFF REPORTS

Ms. McMillan reported on Community Planning and Engagement. She stated that the Atlanta Beltline's volunteer workday that took place on October 16th at the corridor near Tanyard Creek was a huge success. This project could not have been possible without the dedication of approximately 80 employees from Post Properties. The final Quarterly Briefing for 2014 was held on November 13th at the Atlanta Community Food Bank. Customary reports on the Atlanta Beltline were provided as well as updates on the North Avenue Ponce Plaza, Langford Park, Eastside Trail Extension and the Westside Trail. The Community Engagement Team participated in public forums or pop-ups to further educate, inform, and hear from the public. Ms. Millan discussed that beginning in 2015, presentations will be given at as many Senior Centers as possible to present information on the Atlanta Beltline project with the goal of keeping the seniors informed.

Ms. Davis reported on Communications and Media Relations. She highlighted the major news stories covering the Atlanta Beltline between October 1st and November 30th; which focused on Art on the Beltline and the groundbreaking of the Westside Trail. She indicated that other coverage included economic development news, including news about the opening of several restaurants and retail fronts in Krog Street Market and Ponce City Market.

Ms. Johnson reported on Governmental Affairs. She mentioned that in collaboration with the City of Atlanta, ABI hosted and presented information to the US Department of Transportation leaders during the White House Ladders of Opportunity Cabinet Cities meeting of which ten cities were chosen to participate. She stated that the Atlanta Beltline project was selected as one of two priority projects for transportation. She also indicated that ABI hosted the US Department of Agriculture officials from Washington, DC on a site visit to the Urban Farm. ABI will continue to explore funding opportunities for future farmers and any associated farmer markets in the Atlanta BeltLine planning area. Ms. Chandler inquired on tours that will be hosted on the Atlanta BeltLine for state legislators and was informed that ABI would be scheduling more tours in the future.

Mr. Alexander reported on Affordable Housing. He gave a scorecard update with emphasis on how ABI plans to achieve the goals of facilitating 5,600 affordable housing units, 30,000 permanent jobs and 48,000 one year construction jobs by 2030. Mr. Alexander presented further details on the Federal Home Loan Bank (FHLB) structured partnership program which will provide additional downpayment assistance and funds for renovation of owner occupied affordable housing. He also indicated that the program will start in late January and that this program will be spearheaded by FHLB. He provided a full description of the following components of this partnership:

- 1) Down payment assistance for approximately 20-30 qualified recipients
- 2) Owner occupied rehabilitation/upgrades with an approximate value up to \$7,000

ACTION ITEMS

Ms. Darnell moved to approve the resolution granting the authority of the President and CEO to enter into an agreement with the Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta to participate in a structured partnership program to provide affordable housing down payment assistance along with other purposes. The motion was seconded by Mr. Dickens. The motion was unanimously approved.

PRESIDENT AND CEO REPORT

Mr. Morris presented his report and expressed the magnitude of ABI's accomplishments for this year. Mr. Morris highlighted the following initiatives for 2015:

1. Completion of the Integrated Action Plan
2. Sustainability Action Plan formal presentation to the Board
3. Council resolution will be approved in January requiring that all applications for SIP and zone changes that are submitted to the city go through the Design Review Committee
4. Advancement of ABI's land acquisition strategy

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Mr. Norwood presented the Financial Report through October 2014 as well as the unaudited Consolidated Income Statement for July through October 14.

ADJOURNMENT

With there being no further business, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Ms. Garey and seconded by Mr. Dickens. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:00 a.m.

Respectively submitted,



Lee Harrop, Assistant Secretary