



The Shopping District

Maintenance/Capital Improvement Committee

August 11, 2020

Members: Quintal (Chair), Fehan, Pohlod, Roberts, Ceresnie

Staff: Tighe, Wood, Laird, McGaughey, Jurek

1. Welcome and Introductions:

PRESENT: Quintal, Fehan, Roberts, Ceresnie

ABSENT: Pohlod, Wood, Laird, Jurek

ADMINISTRATION: Tighe, McGaughey

VISITORS: None

2. Flower baskets and planters:

The committee evaluated the flowers this year and feels they do not look as “full” as in previous years. Additionally, next year the committee would like to see the “Elephant ears” in the planters replaced with a different center piece – a flower or plant that is not so dominate in the arrangement.

3. Power washing of sidewalks:

A company will be power washing the sidewalks in the core of downtown on August 11th.

4. Trash cans in city:

DPS has placed additional trash cans throughout the city to accommodate for additional trash that residents and visitors are generating due to the restaurants and businesses being open outdoors and on the sidewalks.

5. Snow removal contract:

At the onset of the pandemic, the maintenance committee recommended reducing it's snow removal contract by \$30,000 to reallocate money towards emergency efforts in downtown Birmingham. The committee discussed that due to the pandemic, the BSD did not utilize all of the allocated funding for construction valet this summer. Furthermore, the committee discussed that snow removal throughout the downtown is a great and immediate benefit to the downtown merchants. Therefore, the committee would like to request that the Board reconsider going back to the original parameters of the snow removal contract and allocating the full \$59,000 towards snow removal this season.

NEXT MEETING: TBD

2020-21 Budget: \$60,000

Remaining balance August vouchers: \$59,361

Snow removal 2020-21 Budget: \$30,000

Remaining balance after August vouchers: \$30,000