



The Tower District Governing Board Meeting Minutes

**Thursday January 11, 2024 4:00 pm
Lab 7, 2417 21st St, Sacramento**

Minutes

Board Members Present: Grant Mack, Michael Caselli, Hilary Harkin, Kevin Smith, Kevin Grimes, Andrew Skanchy, Jon Gianulias, Helen Yee

Board Members Absent: David Gull, Scott Kingston, Noah Painter

Guests: Joan Borucki, Dr. Sam Varon, Franklin Burris, Lt. Greg Galliano

1. Meeting was called to order at 4:10 pm by President Skanchy. Roll call was taken to establish quorum. Quorum was established.
2. Consent Calendar – Minutes were not available for approval and will be brought to the March Meeting for approval.. Financials were presented and accepted.
3. Sacramento Police Department - Lt Galliano announced that Sgt. Longanecker was being reassigned and that Sgt Schiele would be replacing her. There has been a pattern of restaurant burglaries throughout Downtown, midtown and the south area. Sac PD has asked for more resources and will be looking to add more PODs throughout the District. Bike Patrols in the District will continue.
4. Board Elections/Nominations – Staff informed the Board that we have three vacancies and asked for help identifying property and business owners within the District that would be interested in serving. Staff also asked for nominations for Board officers to be voted on at the March Meeting. There was one application for a Board vacancy but the Board deferred to vote on it until she was able to attend the meeting.
5. 2023 Year End Budget – Staff presented the 2023 Year End Budget Actuals including the accounting for the Tower Theatre Anniversary Event. The grant from the City for Clean and Safe activities has been fully expended and invoiced for the final amounts. The grant from the County for Clean and Safe activities is on-going and should be fully expended by end of March. Director Grimes recommended that the 16 hours of Security Service that was being funded through the City and County grants be reduced to 10 hours of service at the end of the County grant. Staff was directed to include the redirection in the 2024 budget. The federally required 2023 Financial Review is on-going and should be concluded by May 2024.
6. 2024 Business Plan – Staff presented topics for the 2024 Business Plan including the list of events for 2024. Director Yee requested that we include a Lunar New Year Event for 2025. A motion was made by Director Harkin and seconded by Director Grimes to approve the contract with YBG for the All Women Event. Motion passed. A motion to approve the Social Media Enhancements contract was made by Director Mack and seconded by Director Harkin. Motion passed. A motion to approve the Enhanced Video Productions contract was made by Director Smith and seconded by Director Harkin. Motion passed. Franklin Burris from SMUD discussed the SMUD partnership and its purpose. Next steps are being discussed internally.

7. 2024 Budget – Staff presented the proposed budget and was directed to make changes and bring back to the March meeting for approval.
8. Updates from Councilmembers – There were no Councilmembers present.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm/