

City Heights Business Association
Board of Directors Meeting
4305 University Avenue, San Diego, CA 92105
June 12, 2023
12 – 1 pm

Board members present: Au-Co Mai (Vice-President), Tom Vu, Marsha Ruether, Julian Villegas.

Board members absent: Adriana Enloe (President), Andrew Benavides, Maxine Zepeda

Staff present: Enrique Gandarilla, Jose Cervantes.

Others present: Mary Joseph (MFJ Systems), Sean Kerafin and Viridiana Quintana (Economic Development Department), Robert Carr (SDBGC), Sandra Cancinos (SBA).

Meeting started at 12:03 pm. Au-Co Mai, CHBA Vice-President, chaired the meeting.

- Welcome and Introductions.
- Public Comment: Robert Carr from the San Diego Green Building Council spoke on the free programs they offer to help small businesses be more energy efficient. Viridiana Quintana made some announcements from the Economic Development Department.
- Action Items:
 - Vote to approve April 2023 financial statements: Julian moved to approve the financial statements. Tom seconded it. Board members unanimously voted to approve the April 2023 financial statements.
 - Vote to approve May 2023 board meeting minutes: Marsha moved to approve the board meeting minutes. Julian seconded it. Board members unanimously voted to approve the March 2023 board meeting minutes.
 - Vote to approve FY24 CHBA budget. Enrique explained the main changes to the FY24 budget compared to the FY23 budget. Enrique answered questions from the board members regarding the impact of losing the BID contract and SBEP funds and the certainty of our MAD continuing for another year. Sean Kerafin, from EDD also answered questions from the board members. Tom made a motion to approve the FY24 CHBA budget. Marsha seconded it. Au-Co, Marsha, and Tom voted in favor. Julian voted against. The budget was approved by a majority.
- Presentation:
 - Sandra Cancinos from the U.S. Small Business Administration presented on two programs SBA is promoting for small businesses: The Women Business Center and the CHAT Program.
- Staff Reports:

- Jose updated the board on the Clean & Safe Program maintenance activities. There was discussion regarding homelessness and the impact on the district.
- Enrique updated the board on the I15 bridge deck project and the City Heights Sign project. He mentioned that we are undergoing a workmen's compensation insurance audit.
- There was some discussion regarding the transition of the BID agreement from CHBA to the CHCDC.
- The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 PM.