WESTDALE VILLAGE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, November 9, 2022 at 7pm Pace Credit Union 1005 King St W HamOnt L8S 1L3

Present: David (Simpson Law), Jordan (Snooty Fox), Anita (Pace Credit Union), Ilona (Casual Gourmet), Robert (Westdale Theatre), Isha (Pizzaiolo), Councillor Maureen Wilson, Cristina Geissler (City of Hamilton), Tracy (ED, WBIA)

- 1. Call to Order and Welcome: David Simpson, Chair Meeting called to order at 7:16pm with David as Chair.
 - Introduction of Board of Management: David (Westdale Law), Anita (Pace Credit Union), Ilona (Casual Gourmet), Robert (Westdale Theatre) Regrets: Ron (HPL).
 Thank you to Lora and Donna (Pure Realty) who will be ending their term on the Board.
- 2. **New Business Items.** None.
- 3. Approval of the Agenda. Moved by Ilona, seconded by Anita. Carried.
- 4. **Declarations of Interest.** None.
- 5. Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting. Approval of the minutes of the 2022 AGM held NOV 10, 2021. Moved by Bob, seconded by Anita. Carried.
- 6. **Councillor's Update:** *Councillor Ward 1.* Councillor Maureen Wilson provided an update on the activities and happenings in Westdale Village including upcoming construction, McMaster University residence, Churchill Park, and other City initiatives. Congratulations to Councillor Wilson for being re-elected as Councillor for Ward 1.
- 7. **Chair's Update:** *David Simpson, Chair.* David provided an update on the general activities, realms of responsibility, patios and other intiatives the BIA has undertaken to work for and help the BIA businesses.
- 8. **Crime & Security Update:** *HPS/Tracy MacKinnon, Executive Director.* Tracy provided an update on crime in Westdale Village over the past year, which is much lower than many other BIAs/areas of the City. ATM- issues have lowered and most banks have installed locks and security, which has been helpful in curbing activity.
- 9. **2022 Review:** *Tracy MacKinnon, Executive Director.* Tracy provided an update on the activities of the past year including festivals & events, live music, activations, calendar of events, farmers market, patios, and other activities and events to come in 2022.
- 10. **Presentation of Budget:** *Anita Shilliday, Treasurer.* Anita presented and reviewed the 2023 budget as was approved by the Board with a levy of \$128125.

 **Motion to receive the 2023 budget. Moved by Anita, seconed by Ilona. Carried.
- 11. **Guest Presentations:** *City of Hamilton Cristina Geissler.* Cristina provided and outline of the many supports and programs by the City of Hamilton specifically for the BIAs including special grants for BIA businesses, Small Business Centre, programs and supports.
- 12. Election of the Board of Directors Westdale Village BIA 2022-2026.
 List of those nominated to the Westdale Village BIA Board:
 Jordan Geertsma (Snooty Fox), Biyao Hu (Second Cup Westdale), Paul Milki (Westdale Cupcakes), Isha Soni (Pizzaiolo Westdale), David Simpson (Westdale Law), Anita Shilliday (Pace Credit Union), Ron Gabor (HPL), Ilona Santa (Casual Gourmet), Robert Crockford (Westdale Theatre).
 David called for any nominations from the floor and none were received. The list above were declared elected by acclamation and will be forwarded to the City for appointment.
- 13. **New Business.** Request to have the lines in the parkettes repainted as they are not visible. Councillor Wilson will follow up and put in request.
- 14. Adjournment. Motion to adjourn. Moved by Ilona. Carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:32pm

Westdale Village Business Improvement Area Budget 2023

Revenue:

\$128,125 - 2023 Tax Levy

Expenses:

Staffing

\$43,000

Special Events

\$34,000

Marketing

\$31,125

Office Expenses

\$1,000

Beautification

\$15,000

Casual Labour

\$2,000

Contingency

\$2,000

Nominations for Board of Directors Westdale Village BIA 2022-2026

Robert Crockford

Lora Diakonov

Ron Gabor

Ilona Santa

Anita Shilliday

David Simpson

please let us know if you would like to add you name - info@westdalevillage.ca