

**Hamilton County
Convention Facilities Authority (CFA)
Meeting Minutes**

To: CFA Board Members

From: Judi Boyko, CFA Secretary

Subject: CFA Board May 29, 2018 Meeting Minutes

CFA Members D. Unger, K. Hardman, G. McFarlin, P. Brehm, P. Witte, B. Cull, L. Czerwonka

CFA/Project Staff Present: Sheila Hill-Christian, Cincinnati Assistant City Manager; Karen Alder, Cincinnati Deputy Finance Director; Marion Hayes, Cincinnati Solicitor's Office; Judi Boyko, Hamilton County Assistant County Administrator; Cindy Fazio, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney; Roger Friedmann, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney

Others present: Ric Booth, Convention Center Manager – Global System; Mike Laatsch, Executive Director Greater Cincinnati CVB; Jim Downtown, Executive Director, Sharonville Convention Center

DISCUSSION: CFA Members **G. McFarlin, P. Brehm, B. Cull, and K. Hardman** inquired about and discussed the City's intentions to redirect its transient occupancy tax residual funds from the CFA waterfall distribution subject to the existing Seventh Supplement. The various Authority members inquired the current amount and use of the waterfall earmark to be redirected by the City and its impact to the waterfall's obligations and commitments to the operations, maintenance, and repairs of the DECC.

To varying degrees, these Authority members did not necessarily object to the City's request to redirect its transient occupancy tax residual funds but were concerned about equitable release of City and County residual payments from Seventh Supplement: \$250,000 and \$1.0M respectively; sufficient guarantee City will operate and maintain the DECC to standards to which the

CFA is obligated; and to some extent, the northern facilities are not harmed by redirected waterfall dollars.

City and County staff, including legal representatives, attempted to address the CFA Authority members' concerns and answer all of their questions or comments.

As a result of the presentation and subsequent dialogue with staff representatives, the CFA Board passed with one dissenting vote the following motion, moved _____ and seconded by _____:

To demonstrate CFA's agreement in principle to the City's voluntary use of its transient occupancy tax residual funds to provide funding for infrastructure improvements associated with the FC Cincinnati stadium in the West End neighborhood and to acknowledge the City and County will strive to reach mutually agreed upon language for an 8th supplement to be subsequently approved by this Authority.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 1:10 P.M.

Note: The meeting minutes is not an exact transcription, but a condensed version representing the ideas expressed at the subject Hamilton County CFA business meeting.