Fort Smith A&P Commission
Wednesday, February 28, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes

Commissioners present: Storm Nolan, Christina Catsavis, Cheryl Healey, Jarred Rego, Daniel Mann, and Duke Welsh
Commissioners absent: Brandon Goldsmith
A&P Staff Present: Ashleigh Bachert
Guests present: Mayor George McGill and Russ Brag

Minutes
The Wednesday, February 28, 2024 A&P Commission Regular Meeting was called to order at 4:10 PM by Chairman, Storm Nolan.

Commissioner Mann moved to approve the agenda without item 6. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Catsavis. The motion passed unanimously.
Introductions were made by Russ Brag, running for ward 3 and Mayor McGill, Mayor of Fort Smith.

Commissioner Catsavis moved to approve the minutes from the January 24, 2024 Regular Meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Healey. The motion passed unanimously.

Financial Reports
Executive Director, Ashleigh Bachert presented the January 2024 financials. Commissioner Catsavis moved to approve the January 2024 financials. Commissioner Welch seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Administrative Items
Executive Director Bachert presented multiple administrative actions.

- Commissioner Rego moved to accept the proposed changes to the 2024 staff pay schedules. Commissioner Catsavis seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- Commissioner Mann moved to accept a proposed budget of $20,000 for the start of a gift shop for both Miss Laura's and Fort Smith specific items with no payback due to the CVB. Commissioner Catsavis seconded the motion. Commissioner Catsavis noted that she would be in favor of a payback from Miss Laura's to the CVB for the upfront costs due to the split of the 2 entities. After no further discussion or change to the motion, the motion passed unanimously.

Organization Reports
Executive Director Bachert gave a report on the organization and the work of the team.

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Old Business
Executive Director Bachert gave an update on the status of the Wayfinding Signage, Repairs to Miss Laura's, the Indoor Sports Facility, the Destination Master Plan and the CVB office relocation. No action was requested.

New Business
Executive Director Bachert started a discussion regarding the need for a prepared food tax. No action was taken.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Mann. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rego. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 PM.