MINUTES OF BASTROP MAIN STREET ADVISORY BOARD August 11, 2021

The Bastrop Main Street Advisory Board met in a Regular Meeting on Wednesday, August 11, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. at Bastrop City Hall located at 1311 Chestnut Street, Bastrop, Texas. Members preset were Terry Moore, Candice McClendon, Jennifer Long, Sarah Houser, Rhonda Potter, Dani Moss and Shawn Pletsch. Also present: Main Street Program Director Rebecca Gleason, Council Liaison Druscilla Rogers

- 1. CALL TO ORDER: At 5:34 and with quorum in attendance, Terry Moore called the meeting to order.
- 2. CITIZEN COMMENTS: No citizen comment.

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 3A: Boogie Back to Bastrop will be at Convention Center on August 27th & 28th
- 3B: Farm Street Opry will be at Convention Center on September 2nd
- 3C: Main Street First Friday Art Walk will be on September 3rd
- 3D: Board and Commissions Banquet will be October 14th
- 3E. Bastrop Music Fest will be September 23-26

4. REPORTS:

- 4A: Main Street Chair Report: Terry Moore, Chair, encouraged all to attend Boards and Commissions Banquet. Reminded all there is still an open seat on board and to think about possible candidates.
- <u>4B: Main Street Manager Report</u>: Awards for Downtown Business Association are due (applied for 2). New businesses open this month are an insurance agency, Bastrop Medicine Shop and Bastrop Birthing Center. Cripple Creek and Blake's Music Shop moved. EDC funding is approaching renewal. Contract renews every 2 years and has historically always been renewed. Annual accreditation report is included in board packet. The quarterly reinvestment and activity reports are also included. Proposed budget workshops for city begin in a week.
- <u>4C. Design Committee Report:</u> Added "historic" to iron bridge flags. Added double flags on bridge as well. Parking lot flags have been approved. Design Committee walked Main Street at last meeting to decide on bike rack and potted plants placement. Also reviewed suggested locations for sculptures from foundry.

5.PRESENTATIONS:

5A: <u>Main Street Partner Check-in</u>: Chamber of Commerce Director, Becki Womble, reported chamber is back to in person luncheons and operating at full capacity. Hosting a first responders lunch in October. August 31 will mark return to

trainings/education component. January 2022 will be Chamber's 100 year anniversary. Will be hiring additional staff member. Becky was elected to Texas Association of Executives of Chambers.

6. WORKSHOP:

6A. Discussion of Committees: Decided if any committees need to be reorganized, rearranged or removed. Suggestion made for 2 people to lead committees so to alleviate decision making and work load. Suggestion to remove volunteer committee. Suggestion to combine retention and expansion committees. Suggestion to no longer hold "Summer in the City" event. Can apply new committee structure right away since committees are not specifically listed in bylaws.

7. ITEMS FOR INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION:

7A. Consider action to approve meeting minutes from the April 14, 2021, May 12, 2021, June 16, 2021 and July 14, 2021 meetings. Motion to approve all was passed.

8. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 without objection.