

SPORTS AUTHORITY OF THE METROPOLITAN GOVERNMENT OF NASHVILLE &  
DAVIDSON COUNTY

Minutes of May 16, 2019 Meeting of the Board of Directors  
Bridgestone Arena  
10:30 a.m.

**Board Members:** Kim Adkins, Margaret Behm, Cathy Bender, Jad Duncan, Jon Glassmeyer, Dan Hogan, Aaron McGee, Rip Ryman, Dudley West, Emmett Wynn

**Staff:** Monica Fawknorton, Ilesha Montesrin, Quinton Herring, Margaret Darby (Legal)

**Titans/ Nissan Stadium:** Jenneen Kaufman, Burke Nihill, Bob Flynn, Walter Overton

**Predators/ Bridgestone Arena:** Sean Henry, Kyle Clayton, Keith Hegger, David Kells, Gerry Helper, Danny Butler, Sean Hochberg, David Urso, Nat Harden

**Sounds/First Tennessee Park:** Doug Scopel, Adam Nuse

**Visitors:** Roxianne Bethune (Alliance Synergy Group), Ron Gobbell (Gobbell Hays Partners, Inc.), Jim Pustejovsky (Capital Project Solutions, Inc.), Bob Lackey (Metro Finance), Steve Jones (Messer Construction), Tony Gonzalez (WPLN), Meg Garner (Nashville Business Journal), Chris Rhodes (Kimley-Horn & Associates), Lee Schumann (Kimley-Horn & Associates)

Chairwoman Adkins called the meeting of the Sports Authority Board of Directors to order at 10:30 a.m. and welcomed all in attendance. **Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Sports Authority unanimously voted to approve the minutes of the April 29, 2019 Board of Directors meeting.**

***Executive Director's Report***

Chairwoman Adkins recognized Ms. Monica Fawknorton to give the Executive Director's Report. Ms. Fawknorton reviewed the agenda and reported that the Tennessee State University (TSU) Signage Agreement will be routed for signatures once all parties agreed to its terms. The cost of the signage is \$27,800 and the cost will be split between the Titans (Cumberland Stadium, INC.) and the Sports Authority. Ms. Fawknorton additionally reported that Mr. Bob Obrohta has resigned from the board after five years. In a letter to Ms. Fawknorton, he stated that he has great respect for the Authority and its members, and that he greatly appreciates the opportunity to serve alongside all of the Board's members. Mr. Obrohta represents the 7<sup>th</sup> school board district and Mayor Briley will select a nominee to fill his unexpired term.

***Consideration of a Resolution Approving Bridgestone Arena's FY20 Capital Improvement Fund (CIF) Projects***

Chairwoman Adkins recognized Finance Committee Chairman, Mr. Jon Glassmeyer, to give the Finance Committee Report. Mr. Glassmeyer reported that the Finance Committee discussed Bridgestone Arena's FY20 Capital Improvement Fund (CIF) projects. The committee agreed that, as usual, approval of the list of projects will be contingent upon funding availability in the CIF. If the proposed Arena Agreement is approved next month, the current CIF approval process will no longer be necessary. The Resolution approving the list of FY20 projects is attached as *Exhibit A*. The Finance Committee voted to recommend approval of the project list and **upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved by resolution, Bridgestone Arena's FY20 CIF Projects.**

***Consideration of a resolution approving an Agreement for public infrastructure design services related to the Nashville Major League Soccer Stadium between the Sports Authority and Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc.***

Mr. Glassmeyer turned his attention to the proposed agreement between the Sports Authority and Kimley-Horn & Associates for public infrastructure design services related to the Nashville Major League Soccer Stadium. The agreement is Metro's standard design contract, and Kimley-Horn & Associates was selected by Mayor Briley after receiving the highest scoring proposals from the evaluation panel. Mr. Glassmeyer reported that the Finance Committee voted to recommend approval to the full Board. **Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board approved by Resolution the Agreement between the Sports Authority and Kimley-Horn & Associates for public infrastructure design services related to the Nashville Major League Soccer Stadium. Chairwoman Adkins, Ms. Margaret Behm, and Mr. Dan Hogan abstained.**

***Bridgestone Arena Agreement***

Chairwoman Adkins recognized Mr. Jon Cooper, Metro Law Director, to give a presentation (Exhibit C) on the proposed Bridgestone Arena Agreement. Mr. Cooper reported that under the proposed agreement all financial risks rest on Powers Management, and the subsidy from the General Fund (\$3.2 million appropriated in FY19) required under the existing agreement will be eliminated. All future operating, maintenance, and capital costs will be the sole responsibility of Powers

Management. The Sports Authority will continue to approve all capital projects prior to the work commencing, and a Capital Asset Management Plan will be instituted to provide an annual summary of the condition of the Arena and Premises and a description of the strategies necessary to maintain and preserve the Arena and the Premises. The proposed agreement will include an increase to both the Seat Use Charge and the Capital Improvement Fee, and each will be the lesser of 5% or \$3.00.

### ***Facility Questions***

Chairwoman Adkins asked if there were any questions for Nissan Stadium or First Tennessee Park; there were none.

### ***Bridgestone Arena/Nashville Predators Report***

Chairwoman Adkins recognized Mr. Sean Henry, CEO of the Nashville Predators, to give the Bridgestone Arena/Nashville Predators Report. After noting that he did not have a formal report, Mr. Henry introduced former board member, Mr. Ralph Perrey. Mr. Perrey stated that the First Amended and Restated Predators Lease Agreement in 2007 gave incentives based on performance, and that the Second Amended and Restated Agreement in 2012 continued that good precedent. Mr. Perrey commended Metro on the proposed agreement with the Predators because it alleviates Metro's financial responsibility.

Ms. Margaret Behm requested that Board member orientation be added to the next meeting agenda. Mr. Dudley West requested that board materials be given to Sports Authority staff by the specified deadline to ensure members receive the documents with ample time for review.

***There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned.***

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