

**Topeka Development Corporation Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
July 30, 2024**

The Topeka Development Corporation (TDC) Board of Directors met at 5:00 p.m. in the Cyrus K. Holliday Building with the following Board of Directors present: Karen Hiller, Sylvia Ortiz, Neil Dobler, Spencer Duncan and Michelle Hoferer -5. Absent: Christina Valdivia-Alcala, David Banks, Marcus Miller and Brett Kell -4. Board President Michael Padilla presided -1.

Public comment for the meeting was available via Zoom or in-person. Individuals were required to contact the City Clerk's Office at 785-368-3940 or via email at [cclerk@topeka.org](mailto:cclerk@topeka.org) by no later than 4:00 p.m. on July 30, 2024, after which the City Clerk's Office provided the Zoom link information and protocols prior to the meeting start time. Written public comment was also considered to the extent it was personally submitted at the meeting or to the City Clerk's Office located at 215 SE 7th Street, Room 012B, Topeka, Kansas, 66603 or via email at [cclerk@topeka.org](mailto:cclerk@topeka.org) on or before July 30, 2024.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was cited by meeting participants.

**APPROVAL of the June 11, 2024 Board Meeting Minutes.**

Director Duncan moved to approve the minutes. The motion seconded by Director Hoferer carried unanimously on roll call vote. (6-0-0)

**REVIEW and EVALUATE the offers received to own and operate Hotel Topeka.**

Board President Padilla stated there was a need to recess into executive session. He asked the City Attorney to state the motion.

Director Banks entered the room.

Amanda Stanley, City Attorney, stated the motion would be to recess into executive session not to exceed 40 minutes to discuss data relating to financial affairs or trade secrets of a corporation as allowed under KSA 75-4319(b)(4). The open meeting will resume in the Cyrus K. Holliday Building. The following individuals will be necessary to assist the TDC Board in its deliberations, Public Works Director Braxton Copley, City Attorney Amanda Stanley and any other individuals the TDC Board finds useful.

Director Hoferer moved to recess into executive session as stated by the City Attorney. The motion seconded by Director Ortiz carried unanimously on roll call vote. (7-0-0)

Director Miller joined the meeting remotely.

Directors Kell and Valdivia-Alcala entered the room.

At the conclusion of the executive session, the meeting reconvened into open session and Board President Padilla announced no action was taken during the executive session.

Director Duncan moved to add a bid from 1717 Realty to the agenda as an action item and reject the bid as proposed. The motion seconded by Director Hiller carried. Director Miller voted “no.” (8-1-0)

NO FURTHER BUSINESS appearing the meeting adjourned at 5:55 p.m.