



Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Board of Metropolitan Zoological Park and Museum District

September 24, 2024, 12:00 PM, via Zoom and in person at 1001 Highlands Plaza Dr. W. Ste. 310 St. Louis, Mo. 63110

Michelle Harris, Chair of the Metropolitan Park and Museum District, called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM.

Upon roll call, the following members were present/absent:

Christine Chadwick, Present	Bradley Bakker, Present
Darnetta Clinkscale, Present	Michelle Harris, Present
Shelia Hudson, Absent	Jill Nowak, Present
Thomas Mummert, Present	Kenneth Powell, Present

Others in Attendance: ZMD employees Matthew Pollock, Adrienne Mack, Florette Hampton, and Legal Counsel, Jennifer Byrne

The Chair asked for public comments from those in attendance. No comments resulted.

Public Hearing: Mr. Pollock opened the Public Hearing regarding the proposed 2024 Subdistrict Tax Rates. A **Notice of Public Hearing** was published in the Daily Record (City of St. Louis) on September 17, 2024, the St. Louis Countian (St. Louis County) on September 17, 2024 and posted at the Metropolitan Zoological Park and Museum District office and on the District's website, www.zmdstl.org. Mr. Pollock asked for questions and or comments regarding the Public Hearing. There were no questions/comments. The proposed rates, calculated according to guidelines and forms issued by the Missouri State Auditor, are as follows:

Real Estate,

Personal and Other Property

Art Museum Subdistrict	\$0.0671
Botanical Garden Subdistrict	\$0.0335
History Museum Subdistrict	\$0.0335

Science Center Subdistrict	\$0.0335
Zoological Park Subdistrict	\$0.0671

On each \$100 of assessed valuation of taxable property in the City and County of St. Louis.

Mr. Pollock provided a summary of the 2024 Subdistrict Tax Rate computations and related analysis. He informed the Board that the 2024 Subdistrict tax rate ceilings, pro forma and the recoupments were reviewed by personnel within the Office of the Missouri State Auditor, without revision.

Tax Rates for 2024: The Executive Director asked the Board to consider setting the proposed 2024 tax rates.

Ms. Nowak moved that based on the Art Museum Subdistrict's needs, as reflected in budgets submitted in the summer of 2024 and reviewed by the District Board, the 2024 tax rate, for the Art Museum Subdistrict, be set as indicated in the Tax Resolution:

Art Museum Subdistrict – six and seventy-one one-hundredths cents (\$0.0671) on each one hundred dollars (\$100) of the assessed valuation of taxable property in the District.

Ms. Chadwick seconded the motion. The Chair asked for a discussion; none resulted.

A roll call vote was taken to approve the motion. The motion passed with Mr. Bakker, Ms. Chadwick, Ms. Clinkscale, Ms. Harris, Mr. Mummert, Ms. Nowak and Mr. Powell voting 'Aye'.

Ms. Nowak moved that based on the Botanical Garden Subdistrict's needs, as reflected in budgets submitted in the summer of 2024 and reviewed by the District Board, the 2024 tax rate, for the Botanical Garden Subdistrict, be set as indicated in the proposed Tax Resolution:

Botanical Garden Subdistrict – three and thirty-five one-hundredths cents (\$0.0335) on each one hundred dollars (\$100) of the assessed valuation of taxable property in the District.

Mr. Mummert seconded the motion. The Chair asked for a discussion; none resulted.

A roll call vote was taken to approve the motion. The motion passed with Mr. Bakker, Ms. Chadwick, Ms. Clinkscale, Ms. Harris, Mr. Mummert, Ms. Nowak and Mr. Powell voting 'Aye'.

Ms. Nowak moved that based on the History Museum Subdistrict's needs, as reflected in budgets submitted in the summer of 2024 and reviewed by the District Board, the 2024 tax rate, for the History Museum Subdistrict, be set as indicated in the proposed Tax Resolution:

History Museum Subdistrict – three and thirty-five one-hundredths cents (\$0.0335) on each one hundred dollars (\$100) of the assessed valuation of taxable property in the District.

Ms. Chadwick seconded the motion. The Chair asked for a discussion; none resulted.

A roll call vote was taken to approve the motion. The motion passed with Mr. Bakker, Ms. Chadwick, Ms. Clinkscale, Ms. Harris, Mr. Mummert, Ms. Nowak and Mr. Powell voting 'Aye'.

Ms. Nowak moved that based on the Science Center Subdistrict's needs, as reflected in budgets submitted in the summer of 2024 and reviewed by the District Board, the 2024 tax rate, for the Science Center Subdistrict, be set as indicated in the proposed Tax Resolution:

Science Center Subdistrict – three and thirty-five one-hundredths cents (\$0.0335) on each one hundred dollars (\$100) of the assessed valuation of taxable property in the District.

Mr. Powell seconded the motion. The Chair asked for a discussion; none resulted.

A roll call vote was taken to approve the motion. The motion passed with Mr. Bakker, Ms. Chadwick, Ms. Clinkscale, Ms. Harris, Mr. Mummert, Ms. Nowak and Mr. Powell voting 'Aye'.

Ms. Nowak moved that based on the Zoological Park Subdistrict's needs, as reflected in budgets submitted in the summer of 2024 and reviewed by the District Board, the 2024 tax rate for the Zoological Park Subdistrict, be set as indicated in the proposed Tax Resolution:

Zoological Park Subdistrict – six and seventy-one one-hundredths cents (\$0.0671) on each one hundred dollars (\$100) of the assessed valuation of taxable property in the District.

Ms. Chadwick seconded the motion. The Chair asked for a discussion; none resulted.

A roll call vote was taken to approve the motion. The motion passed with Mr. Bakker, Ms. Chadwick, Ms. Clinkscale, Ms. Harris, Mr. Mummert, Ms. Nowak and Mr. Powell voting 'Aye'.

Resolution Setting Tax Rates for 2024 Assessments: Ms. Nowak moved to approve the 2024 Tax Resolution. Mr. Mummert seconded the motion. The Chair asked for a discussion; no discussion ensued. A roll call vote was taken to approve the motion. The motion passed with Mr. Bakker, Ms. Chadwick, Ms. Clinkscale, Ms. Harris, Mr. Mummert, Ms. Nowak and Mr. Powell voting 'Aye'.

A motion to approve the July 23, 2024 regular Board Meeting Minutes was made by Ms. Chadwick and seconded by Ms. Clinkscale. The Chair asked for discussion; no discussion ensued. The minutes were approved by a unanimous voice vote.

Mr. Pollock discussed the July 2024 financials, highlighting August 2024 rent payment. Mr. Pollock shared he hosted the Subdistricts CFO/Finance Accountants explaining the 2024 Tax Revenue.

No Committee Reports. It was requested that the DEI committee meet soon.

Legal Counsel Ms. Byrne will report in Closed Session

No Old Business or New Business.

The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday November 19, 2024 at Noon.

The Chair asked for a motion to go into Closed Session: Pursuant to Section 610.021 Revised Statutes of Missouri Subsection (1), (12). Mr. Mummert moved to close the meeting; Ms. Clinkscale seconded the motion. The Chair asked for a roll call vote, The Chair asked for discussion: no discussion ensued. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Board went into closed session at 12:30 p.m.

The closed session of the meeting adjourned, and the regular meeting was opened at 1:31 pm. and immediately adjourned upon motion by Mr. Mummert seconded by Mr. Powell. It was unanimously approved by roll call vote. Minutes from the Closed Session of the meeting will be prepared by Florette Hampton and filed at the office of Armstrong Teasdale LLP.

Respectfully submitted,

Brad Bakker

Bradley Bakker
Secretary