

Mr. Citrano, so about a year.
THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Welcome.
All right. Let's go to public comments.
MS. MEZINI: All right. So first we will start with public comments in person; however, if you are on the call and would like to submit a comment, please raise your hand. If you're on your desktop, you can hover over to your tool bar, click "Manage Participants," find your name, hit the more down arrow button, and hit "Raise Hand." If you're calling, it's star nine to raise your hand.

Thank you.
And for in-person comments, we will start with Charlie Cofer.
(Mr. Cofer approaches the podium.)
MR. COFER: Thank you very much.
(Off microphone.)
MS. MEZINI: I'm sorry to interrupt, sir.
If you could please press and hold on that
mic up there. There's a little icon that
lights up.
MR. COFER: Is this working?
MS. MEZINI: Yes.
MR. COFER: Thank you.
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I'm Charlie Cofer, the elected public defender for the Fourth Judicial Circuit. I'm here to briefly comment upon what is under Tab 4.B of your packet today, dealing with the setting of parking rates.

I'm mostly interested in the parking rate at the library garage right next door to us, which is right next door to my office. A significant portion of my employees park in that facility and have done so since the office moved over from the Groover-Stewart building over on Market Street to the Jake Godbold building.

I have provided each of the members of the Authority a copy of an email that I sent to Ms. Boyer and Councilman Crescimbeni. This all -- when we first heard about the possible raising of rates -- I believe staff has provided you with kind of a summary of what employees in my office are paying for the rates.

There is -- I will grant you, it is all over the place in terms of rates because when we moved over to the Jake Godbold building and started parking in the library garage, there

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was a grandfathering-in over time, and there's been a rate structure which I've tried to explain in my memo to Ms. Boyer.

I will tell you that we would ask that the Authority recommend that these rates that we have presently been paying continue versus being converted to the proposed rates, which the subcommittees have recommended to the Authority.

As a governmental entity, I don't need to explain to you how all governmental entities are strapped for cash and will be strapped for cash for the next few years because of COVID-19. There are going to be immense pressures on my office financially and, therefore, on the amounts that I can pay to my employees. We have many governmental agencies downtown. We draw people downtown who work in our agencies, whether it's the clerk's office, Tax Collector's Office, Supervisor of Elections, State Attorney's Office, or my office.

Oftentimes it's said that governmental employees are underpaid for the service they provide to their community, and I agree with

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that. And I think one of the things where we could recognize that is to give consideration to our governmental employees who are underpaid in terms of parking, the necessary parking that they have to pay in order to commute downtown, work downtown, and help keep downtown vibrant.

I will note, the rates which y'all are proposing may seem like nominal increases, but to the people in my office, they are significant. I wish I could pay my people more. They certainly deserve more. But I'm here on behalf of the hundred and -- I believe 130 or so employees who have worked in this office versus Clay or Duval, that you allow us to maintain the rates or that we are presently paying and the grandfathering in, either that or give us some consideration and recommend to the City Council that we be --

MS. MEZINI: That's time, sir.
MR. COFER: -- the 50 percent City employee rate.

Thank you very much for your time.
THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Thank you.
Are there any other public comments?
MS. MEZINI: Yes. We have Nancy Powell on
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the call with her hand raised.
Nancy, I will lower your hand, and you can go ahead.

MS. POWELL: Can you hear me?
You know, as you all have heard from us before, we've been advocating -- Riverfront Parks Now has been advocating for the development of a holistic view of our downtown riverfront, for a major signature park at the Shipyards and Metropolitan Park that is accessible and provides a place for all to enjoy a variety of activities and experiences, a 365-day-a-year place.

It is a bold vision that puts forth the public good along our signature asset and will serve to attract private development and economic activity. Importantly, park design should also include resiliency planning, which will avoid future costs and loss of businesses.

We have seen in so many cities the creativity that comes from a robust community engagement effort, with the focus on being a place that is interesting to (audio malfunction).

MS. MEZINI: Ms. Powell, you're breaking
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up.
MS. POWELL: (Audio malfunction.)
Can you hear me?
MS. MEZINI: We could, but you were breaking up a little bit there.

MS. POWELL: Okay. We've been asked, why should -- (audio malfunction) -- public asset.
We know that the lands along the St. Johns River in Duval County is already 90 percent owned by private landowners. So having this land downtown is our last best hope (audio malfunction) --

MS. MEZINI: I'm sorry, Ms. Powell. We're having some connection issues on our end.

MS. POWELL: We continue (audio malfunction) --

MS. MEZINI: I'm sorry, Ms. Powell. If you can hear us, we're just going to take a quick break, and I'll allow you to speak again in a second. We're going to figure out some connection issues on our end.
(Brief pause in the proceedings.)
MS. MEZINI: All right, Ms. Powell, if you
will try to speak again, let's see if we can
hear you.
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MS. POWELL: I don't know how much you heard from the last one, but I will just say that, you know, we've been asked why the remaining downtown public land should become a public asset and be open to everyone. And that is because we know the lands of the (audio malfunction) are 90 percent owned by private landowners, so having this land downtown is our last best hope to create an amazing public asset that rivals any city.

MS. MEZINI: Thank you, Ms. Powell. I'm sorry about that.

We don't have any other public comment, Mr. Moody.

THE CHAIRMAN: Nancy, can you hear me?
I'm sorry we're having these connection problems. Hopefully, maybe you can be in person next time and we won't have to put up with that challenge.

MS. POWELL: I was at DDRB last week, and it was, like, a half-an-hour worth of bad connections.

THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Let's move on.
Our first area that I want to go to is our Community Redevelopment Agency for November

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the 18th. We have minutes. Hopefully, you have read them.

Are there any questions? Are there any changes?

MS. MEZINI: Mr. Moody, we -- actually, minutes are not available for November. However, there is a transcript and a recording available. And if anybody needs that, they can contact us and we can provide that for them. And it's also available on our website as well.

THE CHAIRMAN: All right. Let's go to the first resolution. This will be Resolution 2020-01-03 [sic].

We've got four resolutions that are going to come to you today. Each one of them have come in front of the Strategic Implementation Committee. They are going to make a recommendation to the board, but what I would like to do -- I would like our CEO and staff to present each resolution, and then I'd like Oliver Barakat, from his committee, the Strategic Implementation Committee, to give us their recommendation, and then we'll open up the floor for questions and comments.

MS. BOYER: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
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disposition, which was already heard and approved by the full DIA board. So even though it remains included in the resolution and will technically be part of a motion and vote here again today, there have been no material changes to that disposition, so that component is not being presented again here today.

In your package, the term sheet provides highlights where changes have been made from previous versions that you have seen.

On Page 10, language has been modified to state that the developer agrees to either negotiate with its lender or to include the City as beneficiary for the completion guarantee being provided to that lender, or otherwise, the developer will enter into a completion guarantee directly with the City that mirrors the completion guarantee negotiated with the lender. So in either of those cases, this puts the City in the position of having direct rights and remedies for the completion of the project, which was a concern raised when the redevelopment project was presented in November.

The second item that was open was the
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right of first refusal. There's been
continuing conversation where we feel we've reached agreement on the ROFR as presented. That includes the ten-year term and maintains the similar use requirement found in that language. Nothing else has changed in this language other than to add the word "commercial" as a modifier to the word "improvements," meaning that the ROFR would allow Related to have the option to acquire the property, subject to sale, on similar terms and build the proposed building for an operation of a similar use at value providing similar tax revenue to the City for a period of ten years from closing.

The next item has to do with the restaurant parcel. So additional work has gone into trying to best locate the site of restaurant parcel in conjunction with the developer, as well as Parks, to minimize disruption with the development plans already in place. This will remain somewhat in flux until an operator is identified and the proposed site is designed to meet their needs. We expect the pad may look something like
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what you see in the blue outlined area on Page 10 of the term sheet. Here, we have an irregular-shaped parcel, estimated to be approximately 5,500 square feet. And in the ROI calculations, this is accomplished by reducing the size of Parcel $B$, which is the area to the north of that restaurant site, that will be coming back to the City. There is also a small 560-square-foot triangle in the park shown as "R3" that may come into question as the design is finalized, but for now it's not being included as proposed and under any circumstance that ROI is required to maintain coverage of one time at minimum. This pad has been vetted with the Parks Department, and they view it as the best option from their perspective as well.

Among other changes as it relates to the restaurant site, Page 2 of the term sheet removes language that contemplated easements for the underground storage tank or the location of the storage tank and reduces the language to state that the City shall relocate the storage tank -- the fuel storage tank to COJ property, which is necessary for the

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location of the restaurant parcel and is consistent with the City's intentions to improve resiliency as part of this project.

Of the new requests, the first relates to engineering work that the developer has performed on the soil conditions, where they have discovered problems related to the compactness of subsoil conditions on the site. The developer has explored several alternatives and has determined that the least-costly but most-effective approach to stabilize the area will add more than a million dollars in cost, and is requesting up to $\$ 500,000$ from the City to offset these additional costs. So that additional funding would come as 50 percent of those total remediation costs associated with addressing the soil compactness issues up to \$500,000.

The developer is also requesting a small additional parcel near the intersection of Prudential Drive and Museum Circle for the placement of their sign. The sign parcel is approximately 158 square feet and is required by the City as the City does not allow placement of private signs on public property.

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It has been determined the location is not in a City right-of-way, and the additional property has been included in the ROI calculation with a cost estimate of just over \$4,700.

That's the end of my staff report, sir, and I'm happy to address any questions.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Mr. Kelley.
Why don't we start with -- David, would you -- do you have any questions?

Better yet, Oliver, could I get you to report from the SIC committee and your recommendation? And then I'll open it up to the board.

BOARD MEMBER BARAKAT: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

We recommended to the board to approve as presented by staff. There was some discussion, primarily about an additional
half-million-dollar ask from the developer.
And we wanted to ensure, despite the fact that that actual cost may exceed a million dollars, that the City was only going to get a (inaudible) half-million, max. So it's 50 percent or a half-million, whichever is the lower of the two numbers.

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Other than that, there was discussion about the signage and some other, what I would say, minor considerations, but we did recommend to approve to the board.

THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Thank you.
So, David Ward, questions or comments?
BOARD MEMBER WARD: Just this one -- one question. And in fairness to both staff and the developer, I don't think I noticed this when we were reviewing this in the Strategic Implementation Committee. I suppose my question is best directed to Mr. Kelley.

On the -- what is Page 10, "Developer Obligations," Number 2, we were talking about the completion guarantee, substantially the same format as the developer provides to the lender or another commercially reasonable guarantee of completion.

This is not to nit-pick or reinvent the wheel here, just for my own education. We talk about the developer will provide to the City and developer's sole discretion. Is there any sort of risk for us -- the way I read "sole discretion," meaning, I guess, technically, they do not have to provide it. Is there any

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risk to the City or DIA in the event that they wouldn't? I don't anticipate -- Mr. Diebenow could certainly speak to it, but I wouldn't anticipate that would be too much of an issue, but just wondering what the import of that language was.

MR. KELLEY: Through the Chair to Mr. Ward, so my understanding of that language -- and I'll ask Mr. Diebenow to confirm -- is that it's intended to focus on the form of the guarantee and not the -- an open-ended right to still provide or not provide. And so -- and in my conversations with the development team, it was stated that they would be willing to provide that additional guarantee in a form that mirrors what they are providing to their lender if we don't cojoin with that lender on their guarantee, just to simplify the approval process and not have extensive negotiations on a wholly separate guarantee. That might be a problem for the lender themselves.

But I'll let Mr. Diebenow speak.
(Mr. Diebenow approaches the podium.)
MR. DIEBENOW: Steve Diebenow, One
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Independent Drive, Suite 1200, here on behalf of the developer, the Related Group.

That's exactly right, the way that Mr. Kelley described it, because we don't have a lender in place and we don't know what that guarantee is going to look like yet. We're reserving the ability to have the guarantee be whatever form we would like it to be in accordance with the language that's in the term sheet. But there will be a document provided, a guarantee provided.

BOARD MEMBER WARD: That makes sense. I would have a recommendation -- I'm not sure -I'm sure I'm out of order. I probably failed Robert's Rules of Order.

My recommendation, then, would be just to make sure the language is clear; that it should read, "developer will provide to the City, the form of which developer's sole discretion, a complete guarantee."

The way it reads right now, it would be sole discretion of whether they have to provide it or not, the way I read it. So it should be, the form of which to be in developer's sole and reasonable discretion. I would also add

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"reasonable," but that's the transactional lawyer in me coming out.

Nothing further, Mr. Moody.
THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Thank you, David.
Todd.
BOARD MEMBER FROATS: So I like what he's done with the right of first refusal. I just want to comment on right of first refusal. It was a big discussion item originally, and I like what's been done with it. It does sort of avoid the issue with the Hyatt on the property over there, so congratulations. I think it protects the City.

Second, just in reviewing the site plan, I did notice on the left-hand side -- Ms. Boyer and I already discussed this. There was a -the width of the boardwalk on the -- on the western side of this property -- and I guess this is more of a DDRB issue, but it looks like it's 6 feet -- and I understand there have been discussions already on it and it's not really our -- it's not part of our board, but I do want to point that out. And I think they're having discussions to expand that.

Thank you.
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Completion on the restaurant simultaneous with a CO on the multifamily.

BOARD MEMBER BARAKAT: Thank you.
No further questions, Mr. Chair.
THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Gillam.
BOARD MEMBER GILLAM: The revisions make sense to me. I still like this project and I'm in favor of it.

THE CHAIRMAN: All right. Thank you.
Carol.
BOARD MEMBER WORSHAM: Thank you.
Carol Worsham, board member.
I think Oliver answered my question -- or you did with the question that Oliver asked about the restaurant site and the tying of that to the completion of the residential structure.

I want to thank you all for -- I think we've done a good job in bringing this thing back to the board with the recommendations and concerns, not only with the ROFR but the restaurant site, and I'm glad you coordinated that through the Parks Department.

So I don't have any other questions.
Thank you.
THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you.
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Craig Gibbs.
BOARD MEMBER GIBBS: Thank you.
I attended the SIC meeting and it was a great presentation, and I think this is a great project. Congratulations, Mr. Kelley.

THE CHAIRMAN: All right. Thank you.
Mr. Citrano.
BOARD MEMBER CITRANO: Mr. Chairman, before you call the vote, I just need to remind the board that I did file a Form 8 on this project.

I attended the SIC meeting as well, and I appreciated the debate that the committee had. I do not have any questions and I'm also in support.

THE CHAIRMAN: All right. I --
BOARD MEMBER ADAMS: Mr. Moody --
THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Adams.
BOARD MEMBER ADAMS: Thank you very much.
I apologize. I recognize this will be a
little bit awkward since I'm the only one that's remote.

And my question is actually driven by that remoteness because I could not hear
Mr. Kelley's description of the revisions to
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the ROFR, which I have great interest in. So if you wouldn't mind, Mr. Kelley, could you -we'll see if it works again this time.

MR. KELLEY: Thank you, Mr. Adams.
Through the Chair, so the ROFR itself, the language was modified to state that we've reached agreement on the ROFR language as presented with a ten-year term and a similar use requirement that's found in that language is maintained. So nothing else has changed in the language other than to add the word "commercial" as a modifier to the word "improvements." So ultimately, it means that the ROFR would allow Related to have the option to acquire the property, subject to sale, on similar terms and build the proposed building for operation of a similar use at a value providing similar tax value to the City for a period of ten years from closing.

BOARD MEMBER ADAMS: So is it the intention of the ROFR that, if the decision was made to redevelop the MOSH site for commercial purposes, it would be offered for sale outright to Related for redevelopment on similar terms, similar valued as this project? Or are we

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contemplating granting them the right to step in once there's been a proposal that's been put out, and then acquire on similar terms as whatever the leading proposal is?

MR. KELLEY: Yes, sir. It's the second of the two options that you presented.

BOARD MEMBER ADAMS: Okay. That's what I was afraid of. So my position remains as the last time we talked on this subject. I think that's a disincentive to other developers coming in, and so I'll vote accordingly.

Thank you very much.
THE CHAIRMAN: All right. Any further comments or questions before I ask for a motion?

MS. BOYER: Mr. Chairman, I would just draw -- since both Ms. Worsham and Mr. Barakat raised a question about the timing of the restaurant approval, if you look on Page 13 of 17 in the term sheet under Additional Requirements, Paragraph 1, is where that is addressed.

And so it contemplates that the applicant could obtain final approval on the residential building prior to obtaining final DDRB approval

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on the restaurant. But they have 12 months -they have to get conceptual, and then they have 12 months to get the final, and they have to complete them at the same time.

But the idea is that it would take a longer time to construct the parking garage and the residential property than it would the restaurant property, and so they could stagger the final approval and the commencement of construction. They just have to complete them both simultaneously.

THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Thank you, Ms. Boyer. All right. I need a motion.
BOARD MEMBER WARD: Just as a point of clarification, I don't know who this needs to be directed to, but I would propose some additional language, like I discussed. Does that need to be included in my motion? So slightly amended language; is that correct? I just want to make sure before I waste everyone's time.

MS. BOYER: Yes. You could make a motion to recommend approval, subject to an amendment to incorporate the language you suggested on page --

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BOARD MEMBER WARD: Mr. Chairman, I would
going to agree. I was going to let you read
your language and then I was going to say that
the applicant agrees with your revision. We would accept it.

BOARD MEMBER WARD: Okay. So I move approval of 2021-01-03 with the revision of the language under the Developer Obligation section, Subsection 2, the last sentence to read: Developer will provide to the City, in the form of which to be in developer's sole and reasonable discretion, a completion guarantee, and so forth.

THE CHAIRMAN: All right. There's a motion. Do I have a second?

BOARD MEMBER GILLAM: Second.
THE CHAIRMAN: Who seconded? Braxton Gillam?

BOARD MEMBER GILLAM: Yes.
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THE CHAIRMAN: All right. Any further comments?

MS. MEZINI: Mr. Moody, I'm sorry to interrupt. I am required to read it into the record -- Mr. Citrano already told us about his voting conflict, but I'm going to read the statement from the 8 B form for the record.

And that reads: My employer, Truist Bank, has a business relationship with the Related Group. I have no personal involvement in the management of the relationship.

End comment.
THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Ina. All right. Let's vote.

Mr. Braxton Gillam.
BOARD MEMBER GILLAM: I'm in favor.
THE CHAIRMAN: Carol Worsham.
BOARD MEMBER WORSHAM: In favor.
THE CHAIRMAN: Bill Adams.
(No response.)
THE CHAIRMAN: Hello, Bill Adams?
(No response.)
THE CHAIRMAN: Oliver Barakat.
BOARD MEMBER BARAKAT: In favor.
THE CHAIRMAN: Jim Citrano.
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BOARD MEMBER CITRANO: I'm in favor. THE CHAIRMAN: Todd Froats. BOARD MEMBER FROATS: In favor. THE CHAIRMAN: Craig Gibbs. BOARD MEMBER GIBBS: I'm in favor. THE CHAIRMAN: David Ward. BOARD MEMBER WARD: I'm in favor. THE CHAIRMAN: And I, likewise, am in favor.

Let me come back to Bill Adams. Bill, are you there?
BOARD MEMBER ADAMS: I am.
THE CHAIRMAN: How do you vote? BOARD MEMBER ADAMS: I am opposed.
THE CHAIRMAN: All right. So we have eight in favor, one opposed for the passage of Resolution 2020-01-03 [sic].

All right. Ms. Boyer.
MS. BOYER: Mr. Chairman, if I could just note for the record and for the benefit of those who may be on Zoom that DIA adopted several months ago a bylaw change that allows us, if we have a quorum present and voting in person in the meeting, to allow members who are not present but who have been excused for a

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justified reason to vote via Zoom, and that is why we are allowing Mr. Adams to vote.

THE CHAIRMAN: All right. Thank you for that clarification.

All right. Let's go to the next resolution, 2021-01-04, the Baptist Convention Building and the Federal Reserve Building.

Again, I'd like Ms. Boyer and her staff to tee it up. I would like Oliver Barakat and his committee to describe what happened at the SIC meeting, and then we'll open it up to the floor for further questions and comments.

MS. BOYER: And I'll allow Mr. Kelley to start the presentation.

MR. KELLEY: Thank you, Mr. Chair, Ms. CEO.

So I'm proud to present our first request under the Downtown Preservation and Revitalization Program that we commonly refer to as the DPRP. It was approved in October of last year, and this is precisely the type of development activity this program was created for.

This project includes redevelopment of two historic Jacksonville buildings located

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1 adjacent to one another on the block
2 immediately to the west of City Hall, also 3 adjacent to the Sweet Pete's operation and the former Seminole Club building. That property, the Sweet Pete's location, is not part of this request, but it's owned by the developer applicant, JWB Capital, and the operation of that building is integral to the request being presented.

The properties in the redevelopment plan as presented include the former Florida Baptist Conventional Building located at 218 West Church Street and the former Federal Reserve Building located at 424 North Hogan Street. These buildings, along with the Sweet Pete's building, comprise the eastern half of the block. And the western half of that block is the site of the redevelopment of the old Independent Life building by Augustine Development, currently working its way through the City Council process, and also not related to this request. I just present that for the board's benefit to kind of get the mental image of the redevelopment activity all contiguous on one block to the west of City Hall.

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refer to it as the "Hogan Street Building" -was built in 1922. It's a three-story structure plus basement designed by A. Ten Eyck Brown, a prominent architect from Atlanta, along with Henrietta Dozier of Jacksonville. Ms. Dozier is celebrated as a pioneer in the field of architecture for women, and this building is seen as one of her signature properties.

The property has significance as being one of the five early Federal Reserve Bank branches established in the South, and is the first and only one in Florida until the Miami branch opened in 1975. The property has most recently been used as a private medical office, but has not been utilized in many years and has fallen into significant disrepair as well.

Recommended funding under this proposal totals just over 8.6 million on total development costs of 18.5 million. I'd like to describe -- because this is the first time we're presenting a DPRP, I'm going to describe the process in which we approach the underwriting using the DPRP. I won't do this on each and every one.

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In underwriting, the process which we will underwrite this and other DPRP applications was established. So we begin by determining the need for the subsidy by looking at the operating pro forma and testing the assumptions related to revenues and expenses in its preparation. By testing NOI, the net operating income, assessing the level of the debt that it can cover at reasonable level, roughly 1.25 times, and then looking at the levered IRR projected to be earned by the developer, we were able to make some judgment on the proposed debt and equity as presented by the applicant and the proposed capital stack.

From there we reviewed the construction budget as provided at the line item level, and negotiated the funding level of each line item. As you recall, the funding levels found in DPRP allow for the exterior to be funded at 75 percent max of eligible cost. Restoration of the interior is also at 75 percent max of eligible costs. Rehabilitation of the interior, which the majority of the interior costs were found to be, is limited to 30 percent max of eligible costs. Code

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compliance eligibility is established at
75 percent max of eligible costs. And other soft costs are 20 percent max of eligibility costs.

So once we've reached agreement on those line items with the developer, the maximum funding level for the historic preservation and restoration forgivable loan, more commonly referred to as the "HPRR," and the code compliance renovations forgivable loans, the CCR, are then established.

In this particular case, between with the two buildings, the HPRR totals 3,596,630.
There's a table in your packet that outlines this. There's code compliance loans on both buildings combined of 3.3 million. And there's also a DPRP deferred principal loan of $1,727,864$.

So when we look at the developer's equity, in this case JWB will be injecting 3.2 million into these projects on a combined basis, that totals 17.4 percent of the total development cost. At that level, anything below 25 percent, per program guidelines, requires that DPRP-deferred principal loan.

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So this is a must-pay obligation with a ten-year term. The HPRR Ioan and the CCR forgivable loans are both five-year amortizations, 20 percent each year. So the DPRP deferred principal loan is structured as interest only through maturity, with a rate established at the 10-year Treasury at the time of closing. Payments are required -- those interest payments are required annually.

And so the final step of the underwriting is to estimate the ROI for the project with a minimum requirement established in the guidelines at $0.5(x)$, which this project is projected to just meet, including assumptions for ad valorem taxes with consideration given to the ten-year tax abatement, local option sales tax projected to be generated, and the sales tax benefits of projected employment to be created. The interest in the DPRP-deferred principal loan is also included as well, as is the present value of the loan payoff discounted as 3.5 percent.

There are tables found in the staff report that serve as a score card that are used to ensure each of these underwriting parameters

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has been met in the application and through underwriting. The performance schedule found in the term sheet requires first commencement of construction within six months following execution of the redevelopment agreement. The applicant commits to commencement of construction, meaning receipt of all required approvals, permitting closing on all financing to allow the start of construction activities.

Secondly, substantial completion within 24 months following commencement of construction. And the DIA CEO will have the authority to extend the performance schedule up to six months for good cause as shown by the developer/applicant. There will be standard clawback provisions as found in the term sheet in accordance with the DPRP guidelines.

And of note, there are currently two separate municipal liens on the Church Street property of approximately 1.4 million each. The applicant has already entered into a settlement agreement with the City that will allow for administrative dismissal of those costs if these properties are put into redevelopment within 24 months of the date of

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those agreements. That date was November 2020.
Otherwise, all other property taxes are current and required to be maintained current through the application period, the construction period, and the compliance period.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Mr. Kelley.
I'd like to go to Oliver Barakat now to report from the SIC committee. We had a lengthy discussion and we also made a recommendation.

Mr. Barakat.
BOARD MEMBER BARAKAT: Thank you, Mr. Moody.
I think I can echo all the committee members in saying, this is exactly the type of project we want to see in our committee. Particularly, 218 West Church Street has been the bane of our existence downtown for many years. And not only will this bring some residential and some mixed use to an area of downtown that needs it, it's going to remove some blight. So we were all very excited to see this project come to fruition, particularly with a local developer that has -- already has existing assets nearby and is really invested in the downtown community.

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weren't overinflating expenses, et cetera. And I believe that they are in line with the market, generally speaking. Nothing that I observed was out of line.

So, therefore, we did recommend approval, just -- contingent upon seeing this additional information. And I think, based on that, our approval -- approach prevails here, and we recommend that the board approve as well.

Happy to answer any other questions.
THE CHAIRMAN: Braxton, let me start with you. Do you have any comments or questions?

BOARD MEMBER GILLAM: I have both. I want to start with a question, and I'm not sure if it's Ms. Boyer or Mr. Kelley.

I just want to refresh my own recollection on how these loans are paid out. Meaning, do we pay these loans out based upon projected expenses or based upon actual costs as they are incurred?

MS. BOYER: Actual costs after they have been incurred and verified.

BOARD MEMBER GILLAM: So if the project you said was 18 million became 10 million, we would be loaning some percentage of 10 million,

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not 18 million?
MS. BOYER: That is correct. And it would be based on the relative percentages of the budget for which it was eligible for each particular item as determined, once it got through the historic preservation process.

BOARD MEMBER GILLAM: Thank you.
So I -- this is -- I find myself in a difficult and unusual position because normally -- my posture on this board has always been, our role is to find a way with programming that -- approved for us by us to help these developments that otherwise couldn't make it so we can have more business and activity downtown. And so my comments are going to be unusual from that -- that's my normal perspective.

But this project barely meets our stated ROI requirements, and I think there could be a reason for that. And here's my concern, and it's not with the Church Street portion; it's the Hogan Street portion of this project. I hate that this project comes to us combined. I think it covers up what I think is, you know, potentially -- you know, what could be, if not

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here, could be in the future a way to abuse the program.

If you look at, you know, the data that Mr. Kelley and his office have done such a good job putting together, you see that we have a purchase price buried in the Federal Reserve Building property, the Hogan Street, $\$ 1.75$ million. But they ask from our organization, basically -- well, between what they ask of the City and the federal tax credit available is over 50 percent of the cost of this project, so we're talking about over -over 3 million -- over $\$ 4$ million of government money with state and federal money to make this project go, but we've buried the 1,750,000 purchase price.

And so -- the land, obviously, wasn't worth that if it's going to cost $\$ 8$ million -I guess 5 million -- 5.6 million is the construction cost. If you're going to have to pay $\$ 5.6$ million to get this up and running (inaudible) -- and I'm concerned about how that can be used potentially unfairly against the City.

So that aspect of the project really
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1 concerns me. I think this is -- this is too
2 much to ask the City and the taxpayers to bear
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in light of what appears to be either a bad
decision -- or if it's a prospective decision
because sometimes developers contract with the
"We will buy this if we can get government
programming to follow it." If that's the
situation -- I'm not sure if it is or isn't --
I would say "no" because we would never want to
use, effectively, City money to pay off a
landowner at that rate for property that has
no -- it is not worth that much money. And I'm
concerned about long-term, you know, success of
this kind of a program when we -- when that
opportunity is being potentially abused in that
way.

Thank you.
THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you.
Carol Worsham, comments or questions? BOARD MEMBER WORSHAM: Questions.
Unfortunately, I was unable to attend, so thanks to the committee for their work and comments.

Two questions. Can you remind me what the difference is between -- the drawn line between

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the restoration and the rehabilitation items? What constitutes restoration and what is rehabilitation on the chart?

MS. BOYER: So I will answer, and then Mr. Kelley will probably correct me.

Restoration, as we have been using it, is -- an example I use is if you were maintaining an old decorative ceiling or you're maintaining an old elevator facade or you're maintaining the marble that was once there on the floor.

Restoration [sic] is the new improvements, which might be Sheetrock necessary to make it a habitable and usable space and are not necessarily old historic elements that you are going to the extra expense to restore.

BOARD MEMBER WORSHAM: Thank you.
And then my second question was, given the state of that building, is 24 months reasonable for construction?

MR. KELLEY: We put this in the hands of the GC and their team, and so here we have Auld \& White as the GC on this project. Part of our underwriting is -- we do require that there be substantial or extensive experience in historic

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rehabilitation within the development team, so that was found to be with Auld \& White as GC on this.

BOARD MEMBER WORSHAM: I have respect for their company and know their work well. I was just surprised with that time frame.

Thank you.
THE CHAIRMAN: All right. Bill Adams, questions or comments?

BOARD MEMBER ADAMS: Thanks.
You know, I'm very encouraged by the project. I agree with all the comments that this is exactly the kind of thing we like to see come in.

You know, listening to Mr. Gillam talk about ROI, I fundamentally have a problem, I suppose, with ROI being an end-all/be-all metric here simply because we are doing things for purposes other than financial return. We set a threshold to use it as a benchmark. To me, if we're going to get it -- this (audio malfunction) threshold, (audio malfunction), saying that that is a negative thing, but under financial (audio malfunction) the return (audio malfunction) --

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MS. MEZINI: I'm sorry, Mr. Adams. You're breaking up.

BOARD MEMBER ADAMS: -- greater than the dollar return.

I can see by Ms. Boyer shaking her head --
MS. MEZINI: No. I'm so sorry to interrupt.

BOARD MEMBER ADAMS: I'll just drop that.
MS. MEZINI: For everyone on Zoom, we're aware that we are having some connection issues. It sounds like the audio is going in and out for them, not for us.

So if it's all right, Mr. Moody, I'm going to try to $\log$ out and log back in on the main computer. It'll just take a minute and, hopefully, that will fix it for the Zoom attendees.

So we will just take a brief pause.
THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Sounds good.
BOARD MEMBER ADAMS: Great.
THE CHAIRMAN: Can Bill Adams continue talking or --

MS. BOYER: We're going to take a pause in the meeting because we're going to be off Zoom for a moment.

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(Brief pause in the proceedings.) MS. BOYER: I'll share with you that the City IT department had Ina provide a training on Zoom meetings for them and that other departments are following our lead and other boards and commissions so, hopefully, she knows the trick here.

MS. MEZINI: Let's see if it's picking up the sound. So we will try again and hopefully that is better for you individuals on the call.

Thank you for your patience, and I'm sorry about that.

THE CHAIRMAN: Bill Adams, are you there?
BOARD MEMBER ADAMS: I am. Let's see if it works a little more smoothly this time.

My comments were really aimed at the questions surrounding the return on investment as the metric here.

I get that we set that as a threshold that has some financial analysis, and, obviously, it is important. But we have a threshold and it's been met. But I think it's all (audio malfunction) --

MS. MEZINI: I'm sorry, Mr. Adams, you are

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have the ability to -- when the market is proving itself, to either approve or deny based on ROI.

But I think our starting point should be -- the priority is to get these vacant, rundown buildings back in production, and I think this is a model project in that regard.

Thank you.
THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Thank you, Jim.
Todd Froats, questions, comments?
BOARD MEMBER FROATS: So I'm in favor of the project, but --

MS. MEZINI: Mr. Froats.
BOARD MEMBER FROATS: So I'm in favor of the project, but I think Mr. Braxton Gillam makes a good comment that -- so first, I have a question: Has it already been purchased?

MR. KELLEY: My understanding is the building has been purchased, but Mr. Sifakis is also on Zoom, and he may want to comment on that. And I may ask him also to add comments on the 24-month construction period.

AUDIENCE MEMBER: Alex Sifakis, 340 8th Street, Atlantic Beach, Florida.

The buildings have already been purchased.
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And the reason for the purchase price is because that's what we actually purchased (audio malfunction).

MR. DIEBENOW: Alex, this is Steve.
MR. SIFAKIS: Can you hear me?
MR. DIEBENOW: You're breaking up. Do you
mind if I take a shot at answering it, and you can chime in if I say anything that's wrong?

MR. SIFAKIS: Yeah.
MR. DIEBENOW: So Steve Diebenow, One Independent Drive, just on behalf of
Mr. Sifakis.
So the buildings are already purchased, and they were purchased at the prices that each one is recorded for in the pro formas and in the documents provided to the DIA. They were actually purchased for those amounts based on their relative condition of the property. So there were two different ownership groups, one for each building, and each building is in a really different condition.

The Federal Reserve Building is built like a bunker; it's in good structural shape. 218 Church is falling apart, so that's why there's a relative difference in purchase price cost.

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They were already purchased.
But the other thing to know is that if we were going to game the system in our pro forma, we would have allocated the purchase prices in the opposite direction on each building. We were limited in total amount of incentives available, based on the purchase price on 218. If we had reversed the purchase prices, and made one larger and one smaller, we would have been able to get additional support out of the program the way that it's written, but that's not how it turned out. It turned out that we used the exact purchase prices that were used. We ran it through the analysis to show the gap. And then, once the gap was demonstrated, we ran through the cost to see what would qualify.

On the second point, as to Auld \& White, yes, Auld \& White has been involved for -- in this project for over a year, and the 24-month construction timetable is one that Auld \& White believes that they can meet, and that's why we included it in the term sheet.

BOARD MEMBER FROATS: Thank you.
So I think that's -- that kind of solves
that issue. But Mr. Braxton's point is well
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1 taken. Maybe on future deals we should require some sort of appraisal so we're not subsidizing the purchase price.

Second, what -- so we spent a lot of time in the past coming up with this program. And Ms. Boyer and her team did a great job of putting this together. There was a lot of discussion on tearing down historical buildings, brand-new building, new development. So this has gone through our committee before. We supported the project then. I don't think it was unanimous, but maybe one non-vote, one vote for no. But it's a great project; we need it.

We do need to be restoring a lot of these historical buildings. You can be in favor of saving these buildings and future new development. You can actually do that. And I think this project in itself and this program does save a lot of these buildings. You can see how much it costs to do this. It's very costly. Eight million dollars is a significant number.

And to the ROI point, you know, the 50 percent -- you're going to have ROIs that

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are less than one, as Mr. Adams said. That could be for a brand-new entertainment complex, a neighborhood, it could be for a park system, and it could be for historic buildings. So we have to be very careful looking at the ROI and what the overall goal is.

We're not a business -- a private entity or a public company that's looking at ROI. We are a Downtown Investment Authority that's looking at the city approach. We have to have that bigger vision, and so when we consider ROI, we have to consider, what's the purpose of overall program. And so I think this program satisfies it.

I also was in favor of Lot J, and I think that neighborhood supported it. I'm also in favor of parks. And I think if we were to invest in parks, our ROI would be very low, but I would be in favor of it. I just want to point that out.

Ms. Boyer, this still has to go through City Council. Is that a majority vote -- do you know -- or super majority vote?

MS. BOYER: It would be a majority vote. This is not asking for a change in this year's

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BOARD MEMBER FROATS: Thank you.
That's everything. Thanks.
THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Mr. Froats. Mr. Gibbs.
BOARD MEMBER GIBBS: Thank you.
I had a chance to attend the SIC meeting, and I think this is a great project. I share some of the concerns that Mr. Gillam voiced; however, we get a block back. And this building that is at 218 West Church Street, remember, was built after the last national pandemic. So because of that, we cannot look at merely the financing. Again, we get a block back.

Thank you.
THE CHAIRMAN: David Ward.
BOARD MEMBER WARD: Nothing from me.
Thank you.
THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. I've heard some really good comments and I'm, likewise, for this project.

You know, when you -- Sunday afternoon I was a little bored, so I jumped in my car and I went downtown. I parked by the side of the

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road and I went right by the Seminole Club. I went and looked at the Federal Reserve Building; a great, majestic, old building. It needs to be restored. I walked around the corner to the Florida Baptist Convention Building. Wow, it is in bad shape, but it's going to be wonderful to get both of these buildings back.

But I was also reminded how close a couple other projects we have already approved -- the Independent Life tower with 140 apartments, 21,000-square-foot grocery store, restaurant and a lounge, that's -- that could happen. Also nearby was the six-story Ambassador Hotel.

So what's happening here, we're getting some real critical mass -- and, folks, this is literally the next block-and-a-half from City Hall. We're getting some critical mass downtown and really great historic buildings, so I think this is a positive.

All right. Any other comments?
Mr. Braxton Gillam.
BOARD MEMBER GILLAM: I just want to follow up and to be clear to the board.

My frustration or concern here is not so
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much ROI -- I note for the record that it is an extremely low ROI. And if we think we shouldn't be considering that, we should take it off our paperwork and stop calculating it if it is not relevant to our standards. For that reason, I raised that point.

Again, my concern is not with Church Street; it's really more with the Reserve Building issue. And because we've got calculations in the way we're modeling this and justifying these loans, we're calling a $\$ 1.75$ million purchase price, which appears to be a real purchase price that actually occurred -- we're calling that equity. And just because someone overpaid for something doesn't mean it's equity. It's worth -- equity is whatever it is worth.

And I would submit to you -- I'm not an appraiser. Mr. Moody is an appraiser, maybe he could speak on this issue, but if it's going to cost, you know, $\$ 8$ million to renovate this building, including that 1.75 million -- I submit to you, it's not worth 1.75 million. No one would pay that unless they were expecting the government to give them 54 percent of the

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price to, you know, renovate it. That's my concern.

But anyway, I'm done. Thank you.
THE CHAIRMAN: Regarding the appraised value, I've not done an appraisal, so make no mistake -- but when I saw that sale come through, and I knew the building, my first thought was, Wow, I wish I could have bought that. I think there's some real value there.

All right. Any other further comments?
BOARD MEMBER CITRANO: Mr. Chairman, I wanted to make one more comment, and it relates to those sources and uses. I brought this up at the committee meeting.

Because of the way we're contributing the loan proceeds, which is, basically, at the end when everything is completed, it's not a risk to the DIA, but I think it's prudent nonetheless, before the project starts, that the developer show evidence that they have 100 percent of the cost for that interim period sourced.

So whether it's a commitment letter from the lender, equity, whatever, I just think that's a prudent step in the protection, and

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1 it's that it ensures that the project will be
completed, which is a big deal. It's not a question of risk of our dollars. It's just we don't want a project not completed, and I think that that step will give us that protection.

THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Thank you, Jim.
LeAnna Cumber, are you out there, and do you have any comments or questions?

COUNCIL MEMBER CUMBER: I am here, and I have no comments or questions on this one.

Thank you for asking.
THE CHAIRMAN: I need a motion.
BOARD MEMBER ADAMS: I'll move to approve the resolution.

BOARD MEMBER BARAKAT: Second.
THE CHAIRMAN: Was that made by Bill
Adams?
BOARD MEMBER ADAMS: It was.
THE CHAIRMAN: And Oliver Barakat made a second. So let's vote.

Braxton Gillam.
BOARD MEMBER GILLAM: Opposed.
THE CHAIRMAN: Carol Worsham.
BOARD MEMBER WORSHAM: In favor.
THE CHAIRMAN: Bill Adams.
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BOARD MEMBER ADAMS: In favor.
THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you.
Oliver Barakat.
BOARD MEMBER BARAKAT: In favor.
THE CHAIRMAN: Jim Citrano.
BOARD MEMBER CITRANO: In favor.
THE CHAIRMAN: Todd Froats.
BOARD MEMBER FROATS: In favor.
THE CHAIRMAN: Craig Gibbs.
BOARD MEMBER GIBBS: In favor.
THE CHAIRMAN: David Ward.
BOARD MEMBER WARD: In favor.
THE CHAIRMAN: Ron Moody is in favor.
So let the record reflect that we have on
Resolution 2021-01-04 -- we have eight in favor, one opposed. This resolution carries.

The next item of business is 2021-01-05. This is the Regions Jacksonville Headquarters.

Again, I'd like Ms. Boyer and staff to tee it up, and then I'd like the SIC committee that met on it to describe their recommendation.

MS. BOYER: And I will let Mr. Kelley share his staff report and review.

MR. KELLEY: Thank you, Ms. CEO. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

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So this is an interesting presentation. Also, it's a combination of a DPRP request in addition to an Economic Development Grant request on the Regions Headquarters located at the historic Bisbee Building at 51 West Bay Street.

When we put the DPRP program together, it contemplated the use that we just described, bringing historic building stock that is totally nonproductive today back into productive use. It also contemplates the preservation of existing historic buildings, which is the focus of the request that you're hearing now.

So the property was originally constructed in 1909, following the Great Fire of 1901, and is considered one of the most historic properties in downtown Jacksonville for its contribution to the resurgence of the city following the fire. The property was recommended for local landmark status by the Jacksonville Historic Preservation Committee on October 28, 2020, and is under consideration for final designation by the City Council under

The proposal here is unique because it's being established as a five-year commitment and a maximum amount of $\$ 900,000$ that may be drawn upon a maximum of five tranches. Each tranche will be further underwritten by DIA staff and presented to the SIC committee and the DIA board for final approval, subject to the compliance with all DPRP guidelines.

The structure is presented because Regions does not have a comprehensive development plan for this property at this time, but does have maintenance requirements on the property and restoration requirements that it knows it will be undertaking, and the DPRP provides incentive to return the property more to its historic condition through the replacement of windows and other architectural features and code compliance requirements.

We expect the first draw to be presented in the coming months, which will then be underwritten in the process defined previously, and we expect that there will be a combination of HPRR and CCR loans in that request to come from that process. Each of these loans will have a five-year maturity, forgiving principal

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1 at the rate of 20 percent annually, and will

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parking, and hard costs for its revised signage to replace lost visibility, and access to the garage itself.

The Economic Development Grant is structured as matching funds and is proposed to be disbursed in not more than two tranches with \$100,000 in the current -- actually, next fiscal year -- no, in the current fiscal year, and the second $\$ 100,000$ in the coming fiscal year. It is also proposed, the funds not utilized in this year's funding may roll over to the following year's maximum funding amount.

Funding requests must be accompanied by evidence of actual expenditures that will be reviewed and approved by DIA staff. And once funded, there is not a compliance or forgiveness period for these amounts as they are structured as a pure grant.

Happy to address your questions.
THE CHAIRMAN: All right. Thank you, Mr. Kelley.

Oliver, your committee met on this. Could you give some brief comments and also describe the vote that was taken?

BOARD MEMBER BARAKAT: Thank you,
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Mr. Chairman.
We did ultimately agree to make a recommendation of approval to this board. There was a fair amount of discussion, just because of a -- I would say, somewhat unorthodox position of this request in that, as far as a $\$ 900,000$ request is -- the scope of work attached to that -- to those dollars is not yet finalized. Even though it needs to live within the confines of our program, it was just kind of hard to get our arms around what exactly we are providing the funds for.

And there was some language that I had expressed concern that it related to more of a maintenance and repair loan. That has since been clarified that that is not the intent of their request. And as these $\$ 200,000$-or-so tranches come before the SIC committee in the months and years come, we will have a better idea of the scope and that it will not be, you know, minor maintenance items.

They do intend to landmark, as was mentioned, and make improvements to a historic and visible building. Also, we have somewhat of an unwilling counterparty in that Regions

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Bank did not want to sell the parking lot next door.

And as far as the $\$ 200,000$ Ioan is concerned, that is an enticement due to some inconvenience and structural changes to the building that Regions will have to incur. And so they are being a cooperative partner with VyStar in getting that garage built that we've been trying to get built in the Downtown core for many, many years.

So after some back and forth, we did decide to approve this, but we did have some of the aforementioned concerns, and I think they have been addressed.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Mr. Barakat.
All right. Braxton Gillam, let's start with you. Comments and questions.

BOARD MEMBER GILLAM: I don't have any further questions.

I note that Mr. Barakat's, you know, concern and issue related with trying to get the parking issue resolved, and the fact that the applicant is assisting us in that process, I think is helpful. And for that reason, I'm in favor.

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THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you.
Carol Worsham.
BOARD MEMBER WORSHAM: Just a clarification on -- we're basically holding $\$ 900,000$ over a five-year period and they're coming back with a $\$ 200,000$ scope of work each year for approval? Is that the way this is working?

MS. BOYER: Through the Chair to Ms. Worsham, it's essentially a preauthorization of -- it won't be held in the sense that there won't be an actual cash amount encumbered. And the amounts don't have to be 200,000 ; it could be 450,000 in one year. But the idea is that they are allowed to do not more than annual requests over a five-year period. And it could be that it's all in two. It's just that they don't have their actual construction plan figured out yet, and so they want to be able to phase how they do their various -- they may do the exterior separate from the interior, for example, and they want to be able to bring those to us in two separate tranches.

But the concept is that the amount of
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historic preservation program -- DPRP program -- Ioan would not exceed 900,000, and they would have to do all of the matching obligations on their part to generate a $\$ 900,000$ amount if we were going to award that.

I think Mr. Kelley wants to add
clarification.
MR. KELLEY: If I may, through the Chair, so the applicant, following the SIC, wanted to clarify that the -- while they're limited to five draw requests, they may submit two requests in a same year. It's not a requirement limiting one per year. It's just a limit of five requests, because they are -they're uncertain about their timing related to the different redevelopment activities that might accompany this.

So I offered that for consideration by the board as well.

BOARD MEMBER WORSHAM: Thank you. I understand that.

I guess my question is: Why do that and not come back when they know what they want to do? What's the advantage to us or to them for the way it's structured now?

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MR. KELLEY: Through the Chair to Ms. Worsham, so part of this is related to their evolving business model. Right now, they're using primarily only the ground floor, and they have thoughts about what they may do with the second floor, but they know they have some immediate needs. And they know -- similar to what we do as a CIP, they take a similar approach. So they have got, more or less, some staged activities that, more or less, are ideas about what they might do with the building. So as they progress through time, it will become more clear about whether -- you know, what uses they may put into the second floor, which would require elevator for ADA access, et cetera.

So while those are uncertain, there are other things that they -- they're pretty much ready to pull the trigger on now as it relates to some window replacements primarily on the second floor, and the window replacements on the ground floor are expected to come at a later date as well.

MR. DIEBENOW: Mr. Chairman, may I add one more thing?

THE CHAIRMAN: Yes, sir.
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Ms. Worsham, the other conceptual issue that's going on is that the City and VyStar desire the surface parking lot today. Regions does not have a complete plan to renovate or to make historic renovations to their building today. And so the creative opportunity that this term sheet creates and that, hopefully, the City Council will bless through a redevelopment agreement is a document that will bridge the time -- the gap between the need for the surface parking lot and the time when Regions will be doing the renovations on their building.

BOARD MEMBER WORSHAM: Thank you for that.
No further questions.
THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Thank you, Carol.
Bill Adams.
BOARD MEMBER ADAMS: I don't have anything.
Thank you.
THE CHAIRMAN: All right. Thank you.
Oliver, any other comments to add?
BOARD MEMBER BARAKAT: No, sir.
THE CHAIRMAN: Jim Citrano, questions
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comments?
BOARD MEMBER CITRANO: I have neither.
Thank you.
THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Froats.
BOARD MEMBER FROATS: No questions, no comments.

THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Gibbs.
BOARD MEMBER GIBBS: Having attended SIC,
no further questions or comments.
THE CHAIRMAN: David Ward.
BOARD MEMBER WARD: I guess my only question, slash, comment -- I'm in support of this generally. And we talked about this to Mr. Barakat's point pretty extensively in SIC. I guess, just a question -- and, Mr. Kelley, I don't know if this is most appropriate to go to you. My question would be -- I see in the Economic Development Grant, they're eligible for a $\$ 200,000$ grant, and that grant is intended to -- if I look at how it's worded on the first page of the term sheet, DIA shall reimburse Regions up to $\$ 200,000$ in matching funds for approved costs related to the sale of the surface lot. And we go over to the approved costs -- and I know we talked about

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back door, related to access to the parking garage, et cetera. And I understand that part of what we're trying to accomplish here was moving that area on a parking lot, surface lot as it's called, the greater good of that overall development.

Is it common that we generally take care of professional services fees, including legal fees? And does that also include, like, brokers' and agents' fees, for instance, who might be involved in the sale of that lot?

And I say that presuming that these two private parties aren't selling the lot for a dollar. So I'm assuming that somebody is getting paid for consideration for the sale of the surface lot. So I just noticed that the City is paying for professional services fees, which I don't always see in these.

So it's more of a clarification point more than anything.

MR. KELLEY: Through the Chair, thank you, Mr. Ward.

So the answer to that question is, as it relates to the cost that they are going to

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be -- they're happy keeping their surface lot and not bringing it -- so part of this is -was a negotiated agreement to -- you know, to cover those costs.

And I might have to turn to CEO Boyer to address whether or not we've done that in other agreements prior to my time or made consideration for those, but I think you see clearly the purpose for the way it's structured here.

MS. BOYER: Through the Chair to Mr. Ward, I would say that you are correct that it is out of the ordinary. And, typically, our Economic Development Grants are. So we don't do them very often, but pretty much those are kind of used for one-off situations.

I'll point to the Florida Blue parking grant as another example where we wanted -- we were going to enter into a situation where we filled that retention pond. Florida Blue built a garage. We were going to help with the parking grant on that. We got parking spaces for nights and weekends, but, in turn, they were willing to sell their parking lot to FIS,

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 currently using and weren't really motivated to sell.BOARD MEMBER WARD: Thank you.
THE CHAIRMAN: Todd Froats.
BOARD MEMBER FROATS: I think the message is, although we're allocating this $\$ 900,000$ for future use, this is not going to be a standard procedure. So we don't expect that future applicants come forward and ask for the same request. There are multiple parts to this.

Thank you.
THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Thank you.
Craig Gibbs.
BOARD MEMBER GIBBS: I've already spoken.
Thank you.
THE CHAIRMAN: All right. LeAnna Cumber, any comments or questions?

COUNCIL MEMBER CUMBER: I have nothing to add.

Thank you.
THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Diebenow, you look like you want to say something.

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MR. DIEBENOW: Mr. Chairman, thank you. I appreciate your recognizing me.

I just want to answer one question from Mr. Ward. There were no brokers involved in the transaction.

But also, Mr. Moody, when you are in a position to make a motion, the only thing that we would request is that the concept discussed about there being the ability to make two applications in a year but no more than five total for reimbursement, I think that needs to be an amendment to the actual term sheet.

But other than that, I think the term sheet is in great shape. That's a clarification that we could take care of now, and that would help in the drafting of the development agreement before it goes to City Council.

THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. So I need a motion, and would you please consider the amendment that was just described? Resolution 2021-01-05.

BOARD MEMBER WARD: I will move to approve Resolution 2021-01-05, and somebody may have to help me with the exact amendment that we need

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related to the requests per year.
BOARD MEMBER GIBBS: I will second.
THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Craig Gibbs will second. David Ward has made the motion.

Steve Diebenow, for the record, I want you to say that one more time as part of the amendment.

MR. DIEBENOW: Thank you very much.
It would be that -- right now in the term sheet it contemplates a total of five applications for reimbursement, and which would remain the same. However, in any one year there may be two applications submitted for requests for reimbursement.

BOARD MEMBER WARD: Would that be up to two? Is that your intent, Mr. Diebenow?

MR. DIEBENOW: Correct, in any year.
BOARD MEMBER WARD: So I will -- to be clear, I will move to approve Resolution 2021-01-05 with the amendment that there may be up to two requests by the developer per year -up to two per year.

THE CHAIRMAN: All right. Do I already have a second or do I need another second?

BOARD MEMBER GIBBS: I have a question
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before -- I will second it, yes.
Will those requests be limited to 200,000 each?

MS. BOYER: Through the Chair, it's my understanding there should be no monetary number associated with the requests. There are still a total limit of five requests. It's just that the timing of those requests may change. So a total of five, up to two in one year during the five-year period. They still all have to be within a five-year period, and there is no monetary limit on any particular request.

BOARD MEMBER GIBBS: Thank you.
THE CHAIRMAN: All right. So we have a motion. We have a second by Craig Gibbs.

Let's go ahead and vote.
David Ward.
BOARD MEMBER WARD: Approve.
THE CHAIRMAN: Craig Gibbs.
BOARD MEMBER GIBBS: Approve.
THE CHAIRMAN: Todd Froats. BOARD MEMBER FROATS: In favor.
THE CHAIRMAN: Jim Citrano.
BOARD MEMBER CITRANO: In favor.
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center, and many others. The property is also being constructed with approximately 13,000 square feet of retail space on the ground floor fronting Riverside Avenue. That 13,000 square feet of retail space is the subject of this request.

The property is being constructed under an existing redevelopment agreement with an effective date of May 15, 2017. That 2017 RDA calls for a mixed-use development with not less than 295 residential units and 12,750 square feet of retail space.

It is supported by a -- or in part by a REV Grant authorized under City Ordinance 2017-0101-E, with current terms of a minimum capital contribution of 50 million. That maximum REV amount is 9 million. It's based on a REV term of 20 years calculated at 62.5 percent. The base year is 2017, and it has a final year of funding of 2041.

So recognizing the detriment to growth in the Brooklyn area expected if this retail space is to remain dark for a protracted period, an additional REV grant structure was developed

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based on maximum funding equivalent to $\$ 120$ per square foot of retail space, totaling \$1,556,000.

The challenges that the developer has been having are related to the COVID environment, leasing retail space. We looked at a lot of research and the challenges with leasing retail space in this environment. It is very, very difficult. So our intent is to keep the momentum that's going along that corridor there -- of Riverside Avenue -- through the approval of this supplemental REV Grant.

So the funding level is roughly equal to the amount of the additional ad valorem taxes the property is expected to generate over a five-year period, once placed into service, above the existing 62.5 percent REV Grant outlined above.

The qualifications within this, each -- we define what is an eligible year. So a tax year in which more than 50 percent of the total space, the total retail space, is leased or made available for lease to a retail business, defined as "those businesses that sell products on a transactional basis to end consumers, food

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and beverage establishments, and providers of services targeted towards the general public other than healthcare, advising, or counseling."

And we have provided flexibility here, in that the calculation of this supplemental REV Grant is 12.5 percent over five years. However, they have the flexibility, where an eligible year can be found anywhere from years one through ten. So even though the calculation of the max REV amount is based on a five-year calculation using the traditional approach, they may be eligible for funding up to ten years.

Those payments, the calculation of the REV Grant payments, in any eligible year will be determined by multiplying 12.5 percent by the annual project revenues, which you may be familiar, is the incremental ad valorem consistent with the definition found in the 2017 RDA, multiplied further by the proportion of retail space to total space on an annual basis. So in a given year, that 12.5 percent of the annual project revenues would be further reduced if they lease any of that retail space

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to a nonretail user.
So if in a given year 60 percent of that space is leased to retail, then they would get 60 percent of the 12.5 percent that they would be eligible for in that given year. So they couldn't earn the full 100 percent unless all of that 13,000 square feet were to be leased to a retail tenant. And it's for that reason that we provide the flexibility to go out to ten years to earn the full amount as proposed.

To be eligible for payment, the retail space shall demonstrate average occupancy of not less than 60 percent during the applicable tax year as supported by monthly rent rolls to DIA. So the developer may lease up to 50 percent to commercial users that do not meet the definition of retail tenant above, and there's additional detail and recommendations as found in the Exhibit A term sheet provided in the staff report.

With that, I'm happy to address any questions.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Mr. Kelley. Braxton Gillam, questions or comments?
BOARD MEMBER GILLAM: No comment.
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THE CHAIRMAN: Oliver, let me go back to your committee meeting, and could you give us some comments regarding the meeting and their vote?

BOARD MEMBER BARAKAT: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

We had a bit of conversation on this project. Just again, it's a bit unorthodox like the last one, but these are unorthodox times. In conversation, the heartburn mostly pertained to precedent and the fact that this is not the only owner that is impacted by COVID. And if we award this, are we, you know, proverbially opening up a Pandora's box?

I think the committee became comfortable in knowing that this is only real Class A project that has been delivered in probably one of the most challenging times to deliver Class A retail in an urban area, and so there was sympathy for the delayed absorption. But I do think there is some merit in making sure -in communicating to the community that this is a very unusual situation; this is not business as usual for us.

I thought about this further, and I
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thought about the fact that if this pandemic comes to a quick close this summer and retail rebounds strongly, it would sure be nice to clawback this bonus. We don't -- the point of this is not to have a windfall, but to ease the pain. I don't know, mechanically, if there would be a way to do that.

But anyway, these are the kinds of conversations and struggles we had, but did end up approving it because of the very unusual situation circumstances we are all in.

THE CHAIRMAN: Carol Worsham.
BOARD MEMBER WORSHAM: Thank you, Oliver, because I think that was my first question, was, what other projects would this method impact?

So it is my understanding -- you're saying that, at this point, there are no other projects that this same approach would impact or we would not be asked to fund like this?

MS. BOYER: Through the Chair to Ms. Worsham, I don't think we have any other active projects that are under construction that have a significant retail requirement. However, I think I mentioned to someone when we

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were talking about this in preparation for the meeting, that Ford on Bay is another example, certainly, where the retail requirement in the RFP response is causing great heartburn.

And certainly this is a particular project where we might be asked to look at something that would be some kind of a retail incentive. I mentioned in the Strategic Implementation meeting, that is part of our BID and CRA update. One of the incentives that they are looking at is additional retail-type incentives.

So we have our Retail Enhancement Program, which is for the end user, which is appropriate. But if we are going to be asking developers to incorporate significant amounts of retail space because we have a vision of an activated street, and we want that to be the case perhaps in five years when we have more residents downtown but we want them to build it now, we may have to assist with that.

BOARD MEMBER WORSHAM: Understood. Thank you for the clarification.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Carol.
Bill Adams, comments or questions?
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site. So the tenant will benefit by that $\$ 125$
a foot as opposed to the money flowing through -- out, strictly, just back to the benefit of the developer. point here, is that the net benefit here lies ultimately with the user of that space, and it helps the developer to attract new tenants, which is the goal.

Thank you.
THE CHAIRMAN: Todd Froats. favor if this was normal times, but I am in favor because it is under construction. We want it to be successful. I would not be in favor if it was Ford on Bay because that's a significant piece of property on the river, but in this case, the location of it, it's under construction, and given the times we're in today, I would be in favor.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Todd.
Craig Gibbs. concerns expressed at SIC. We're in dire times, and because of that, I'm in favor. David Ward. Thank you. comments? me.

Thank you. this. We are in interesting times. We've had history of retail along the Riverside corridor that has had problems. And there's a lot of great things happening, but we have got to be encouraging and to kind of move that development along, and I think this is really a good plan. read that document, please?

MS. MEZINI: Yes. So Mr. Citrano's
statement states: Through my employer, I
conduct business with affiliates of Vista
Brooklyn Apartments, Hallmark Partners and/or its principals.

End comment.

BOARD MEMBER CITRANO: That's an important

BOARD MEMBER FROATS: So I wouldn't be in

BOARD MEMBER GIBBS: Those were my

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THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Mr. Gibbs.

BOARD MEMBER WARD: Nothing from me.

THE CHAIRMAN: LeAnna Cumber, any

COUNCIL MEMBER CUMBER: No comments from

THE CHAIRMAN: I'm, likewise, in favor of

Okay. Before we vote, Ina, do you want to

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Thank you.
THE CHAIRMAN: I need a motion on 2021-01-06.

BOARD MEMBER WORSHAM: Move to approve.
THE CHAIRMAN: Carol Worsham has made a motion to approve.

Is there a second?
BOARD MEMBER GIBBS: I'll second.
THE CHAIRMAN: Craig Gibbs has seconded.
All right. Let's vote.
David Ward.
BOARD MEMBER WARD: Approve.
THE CHAIRMAN: Craig Gibbs.
BOARD MEMBER GIBBS: Approve.
THE CHAIRMAN: Todd Froats.
BOARD MEMBER FROATS: In favor.
THE CHAIRMAN: Jim Citrano.
BOARD MEMBER CITRANO: I'm in favor.
THE CHAIRMAN: Oliver Barakat.
BOARD MEMBER BARAKAT: In favor.
THE CHAIRMAN: Bill Adams.
BOARD MEMBER ADAMS: In favor.
THE CHAIRMAN: Carol Worsham.
BOARD MEMBER WORSHAM: In favor.
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BOARD MEMBER GILLAM: In favor.
THE CHAIRMAN: And Ron Moody is in favor.
So let the record reflect that Resolution
2021-01-06 carries nine to zero and passes.
That is four resolutions. That was a lot of work, good work. And so thank you for everyone's participation.
(The foregoing proceedings were adjourned at 3:33 p.m.)

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THE CHAIRMAN: Let's go to our next section, the Downtown Investment Authority. We're not going to read the minutes. We're going to go to Resolution 2021-01-01 related to off-street parking rates.

MS. BOYER: Mr. Chairman, I'm going to have Mr. Crescimbeni go through both -01 and -02 for you as we get to those resolutions, but I think perhaps -- if I could just take a moment to address Mr. Cofer's comments.

I don't know if board members received additional information prior to the meeting or just the handout at the meeting, but -- and I'll let either Mr. Crescimbeni or Mr. Carle jump in after I speak if I -- and correct me here if I'm in error in some of what I'm communicating to you.

But as we started to implement the garage rate changes that you approved back in the fall -- and then they went to City Council, and those were implemented -- we have discovered numerous parking arrangements that are not memorialized in contract form and that were not

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part of our list that we were considering or that Haahs considered when they did their study. So they weren't aware of these other side arrangements.

And as you can tell from the information that Mr. Cofer provided, his employees were charged various rates for various locations. Some of them have reserved spaces, some of them have unreserved spaces. There are some, what we would call "pool cars," that use the space. I mean, there are just multiple different circumstances.

And there is no question that at the time they relocated to this space, they were allowed to park in the library garage at these varying lower rates. However, we had direction from you and we felt that it was important that we proceed to implement the Haahs study, which makes it really clear that, consistently, we are not supposed to be offering discount parking off whatever the published rate is, that we should be adjusting the published rates periodically to be consistent with market demand.

But in the case of the library garage and
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the Ed Ball garage, where we have long waiting lists on both of them -- and the waiting lists were causing numerous issues -- that it was important back in the fall that we increase the rates in those garages to encourage people to relocate perhaps to the Water Street garage or the First Baptist garages or other garages that offered lower rates and that had parking available. So this is a -- managing supply and demand with pricing.

Mr. Cofer suggested -- asked that, and -and I am not saying that his request is not without merit and that it would, you know, be a hardship for his employees to incur additional costs. I would say the same thing is true of the Jessie Ball duPont nonprofits, who we advised that their discount was expiring. We had numerous others that were also notified.

What Mr. Cofer asked for, I believe, was -- there was an ordinance that was passed in September that extended a 50 percent discount off the published rates for City employees for one year. So just like we had talked about, we were phasing it in for the Jessie DuPont and we were phasing it in for

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dialogue, but I just wanted to understand -Diane M. Tropia, Inc., Post Office Box 2375, Jacksonville, FL 32203 (904) 821-0300
others, we were phasing it in for City employees.

So I looked up that piece of legislation while we were sitting here, and that legislation was bill 2020-0568. And it phases in a 50 percent discount for City employees only up until October of next year. So I -- if any of you are inclined to make any concession -- and I'm not asking that you do, I'm simply telling you that we consulted with Haahs about this particular circumstance, and their advice to us was, you need to eliminate the discounts. That was kind of like, stop being soft and develop a process here.

So that's where we are.
This particular action that you are seeing does not relate specifically to Mr. Cofer's request. This relates to some changes with some rates in the library garage, but it also relates to some rates in the Ed Ball garage. And if you want to do something in response to Mr. Cofer's request or direct us to do that and you want to direct us to file a piece of legislation, you know, I'm open to hearing that
you to understand that we have done the research, we had followed up with the consultant. They said, no discount.

And so that's where we were, knowing that we would likely use parkers in the library garage and that his employees would seek a less expensive parking space, perhaps at First Baptist, but that would also allow us to use some of those that had been on the waiting list or provide monthly parking to those individuals.

Of course, this is all somewhat hypothetical at the moment as so many downtown employees are not actually using their spaces. And so it's really hard to know what that's going to look like come October or November, but that's why I'm kind of hedging a bit, because if you were offering an extension to him consistent with the City employees, it would only be till October. And I really am not sure that prior to October we are going to have such heightened demand that there is a shortage of spaces.

So I'm going to let Mr. Crescimbeni present the resolution and please feel free to

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add anything on that topic that you think is appropriate.

THE CHAIRMAN: And, Ms. Boyer, did I hear you say earlier that he's going to present both resolutions together?

MS. BOYER: No, you'll -- he'll do them one at a time, but I'm just going to have him, since he has worked with Mr. Carle on developing the resolutions, make the presentation.

THE CHAIRMAN: All right. Thank you.
Mr. Crescimbeni.
MR. CRESCIMBENI: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
So Ms. Boyer covered a lot of what I was going to talk about, but just to reemphasize, this board sought out a parking plan that was developed by Haahs and delivered to us in 2019. And she mentioned some of the key recommendations therein, and that was eliminate free and discounted parking and raise the rates in the garage.

We came with a plan to this board in September. You adopted some parking rates that we -- for off-street parking in all of our garages. We rolled those out on November 1st,

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and that's when we discovered that we had reserved parkers in the Duval Street garage, but we never presented you a reserved parking rate for that facility.

We also discovered that there was some demand for a nighttime rate in the Ed Ball garage for folks that work the night shift, 6 p.m. to 7 a.m. So we wanted to come back and present a nighttime rate for the Ed Ball garage.

And then we also discovered that one of the daily rates for the Ed Ball garage that this board adopted in September was going to prove to be somewhat cumbersome to manage inasmuch as we're offering vouchers to City agencies that would, in turn, give those to customers that visited Ed Ball -- or the City agency located either in City Hall or the Ed Ball building. And to keep up with those was going to be a challenge in terms of labor hours that the reconciliation process -- and then we also had some concerns about whether we could even control those being used only for their intended purposes and not being distributed for unintended purposes.

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So this resolution essentially comes back to the board and presents some revisions to the table of rates that you proposed -- or you adopted at your September meeting. And if you look at the attachment, Exhibit A, you'll see that in the second-to-the-last column we're not changing many things, but we are changing four things, I believe -- three things -- four things.

The first one is the establishment in the Ed Ball garage, the nighttime monthly rate of $\$ 80$. Further down, under the Duval Street garage, we're recommending the establishment of a reserved parking rate since we have reserved parkers in the garage, and that is $\$ 120$. And that number came from conversations with Haahs who suggested that any reserved rate be at least 1.5 times the normal monthly rate. The monthly rate allows you to park in the garage, but it doesn't give you a space to use -- the same space every single day.

Further down in the column you will see that -- where we talk about the Ed Ball Building -- or the Ed Ball garage, we had recommended -- or we are recommending rates --

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this panel got -- had some discussion at a previous meeting about implementing the -- I'm sorry, we adopted an hourly rate of $\$ 1$ per hour and then that ramped up to $\$ 20$, I think, for the second hour and the third hour, with a cap of $\$ 50$. And that was going to involve the issuance of vouchers to help the folks that were going there for true in-and-out business. And the purpose of the higher rates and the subsequent hours was to prevent people from using the garage, you know, for monthly parking purposes at the lower rates -- at the hourly rates.

So we're recommending there -- and this panel had some discussion about that. So you see the recommended change, and this was consulted for -- or with Haahs, and we are recommending a rate change of a dollar -- I'm not sure. This doesn't -- yeah, so it would be $\$ 1$ for the first half hour, $\$ 2$ for the second half hour, $\$ 3$ for the third hour -- or third half hour, $\$ 4$ for the fourth half hour, and then from there it goes from $\$ 20$ to the third hour, $\$ 20$ for the fourth hour, or a $\$ 50$ cap.

So it maintains part of the structure --
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the pricing structure that this board adopted in September, but on the front end, on the low end, we've lowered those rates to a more conducive rate for in-and-out business in lieu of having to issue vouchers to all these agencies and then try to keep track of those on a monthly basis.

So those are the changes that we're proposing to our rate schedule.

Now, moving on to the Public Defender's Office, in addition to the handout that Mr. -the Honorable Cofer gave you, I also have this sheet here which kind of summarizes some of our findings. So here's what we discovered when we went to roll out these rates: We discovered that the Public Defender parks 13 vehicles in the garage that we have no revenue for. They don't pay for that. This was a carryover -- in the absence of supporting documentation, their suggestion is that this was a carryover from the previous garage operator -- private operator, but we haven't been able to find anything in writing to this effect, and they haven't been able to provide us anything in writing. So we have to deal with that issue.

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The second problem was, we have five vehicles that are parking there with reserved monthly parking at three different rates, so we thought we should establish a reserved monthly rate and allow anybody that wants to take advantage of that to do so.

And just as a footnote, the reserved monthly rates are not subject to -- in the case of City employees, that is not subject to a 50 percent discount. The 50 percent discount only applies to the prevailing monthly rate, just the basic economy rate.

And then if you go down further, there's a summary of the monthly parkers in the garage. They have approximately 86 vehicles; 58 pay a rate of $\$ 68.48$ per month, including tax. And the other 26 are using what is known as the "rooftop rate." Now, the rooftop rate is something that's still out there. It's still being used by other parkers, including City employees, but the key word there is "roof," and that's for when you park on the roof. In the memo that Mr. Cofer provided to you, you will note that the -- there's some emails in the back and they talk about the rooftop rate

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it was parked in the garage at least 14 times
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being Levels 4, 5 and 6, but that's not how we apply it to anybody else. And when you adopted your rate change in September, we included that rooftop rate.

We've also notified all rooftop users, except for the Public Defender's Office users, that if they get caught parking with a roof over their head; i.e., not on the roof, on some lower level, that we're going to convert them, at that point, to just the regular monthly parking rate.

And then on the reverse side of this is a summary of the activity of the 13 free parking vehicles. In some email exchanges I had with the Public Defender's Office, they indicated that these vehicles were in and out frequently during the day. And if you look at this activity -- this was for a six-month period, from July 1st through December 31st. If you look at the activity, you can see in the first column how many times those vehicles actually moved in those 130 business days of that half year. And you can see that some of them stayed parked for -- if you look at Vehicle Number 2,
for over 100 hours. So it was not moving on a daily basis. It was having trouble moving on a weekly basis. And you can see that one vehicle was parked for almost 1,200 hours.

So we need to figure out how to deal with this because, again -- going back to the Haahs study, eliminate discount parking, eliminate free parking, you know, put in standardized rates that everybody follows.

So, with that, I'll be more than happy to take any questions, but the rate schedule before you would implement the reserved rate at -- at the Duval Street garage to accommodate those four -- or those five Public Defender vehicles and provides a nighttime rate at the Ed Ball garage, and it changes the hourly rates at the Ed Ball garage.

THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Thank you, Mr. Crescimbeni.

Oliver Barakat, your committee met on this resolution last week, and I know you thoroughly discussed it. Could you describe what happened at the meeting?

BOARD MEMBER BARAKAT: That was two meetings ago. Feels like an eternity, but I --

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Defender's Office for some limited period of time?

MS. BOYER: Typically, when we are -- we have the right to set rates, which has to be given to City Council, and kind of they have the ability to approve or disapprove those.

We also -- in the past, every time we have granted a discount rate that I'm aware of, we've done it by contract that we've taken to City Council for City Council approval. So the (inaudible) contract went through City Council. The DuPont contract went through City Council. And so that's why we had asked -- and the City employee discount went through by ordinance. So they adopted a rate schedule and then they, by ordinance, applied a discount for City employees for the year, which is why it was not clear to me -- and perhaps Mr. Sawyer can find something else to the contrary, but it was not clear to me that, absent going to City Council, we had the authority to unilaterally do that. We could perhaps do it on the rate schedule, where you said -- where we added language on the rate schedule that -- that we were phasing it in over the remainder of this year in terms

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of the -- because you're talking about having a different rate applied to a specific user or group of users as opposed to the universal rate.

So it seems to me that at -- at least you would have to incorporate it in the rate schedule that you provided to council, but I'm not even sure if we can make it effective absent a separate ordinance.

BOARD MEMBER GILLAM: So I think we're talking about it as a resolution to -- to the new rate schedule, which is -- does not go to City Council?

MS. BOYER: So this resolution had nothing directly to do with the Public Defender's Office, but you're right, there would be, like, a third resolution -- or a second -- a resolution of the board suggesting that council adopt an ordinance, et cetera. And we could, obviously, work on that and prepare that.

BOARD MEMBER GILLAM: So I did a bad job.
So with -- without respect to the Public Defender's Office, is -- today we're looking at a resolution to approve the off-street parking rate schedule as presented by Mr. Crescimbeni

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that would then go to City Council for approval?

MS. BOYER: You are looking at approving a rate schedule revision. So this is a revision of the rate schedule that you adopted in September, which only changes the Ed Ball nighttime rate and those -- okay. But it goes to City Council and lays on the table. They don't act on it. They only choose to act if they wish to file an ordinance doing something else. But it goes and it sits there for 30 days; and if they don't take any action in 30 days, it becomes effective.

BOARD MEMBER GILLAM: Okay. So they don't have to actually, affirmatively, approve it; they can disagree with it and change what we proposed if they want to?

MS. BOYER: That's correct.
BOARD MEMBER GILLAM: So we've been here a long time and I -- I will make this quicker than I intended to initially. You know, I would submit to this body that the Public Defender's Office is not a local not-for-profit or even the basic, you know, City employee group of individuals. They're providing

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services to the lowest of these in this
community and they're professionals who are doing it at a lower rate than what the -market rate for their services, and they are faced this year, from a budgeting standpoint, and -- well, they will be the least of these when it comes to the budget they'll submit in Tallahassee.

And so, I mean, I think imposing what may seem like a small amount but would be a significant amount of increase in charges this year, particularly when it sounds like we're not going to have a need for that parking at least until late fall, you know, when people start returning to work, I think, is -- it's a bit much to ask.

And, so, you know -- so I'm not opposed to -- in fact, I like this off-street parking rate schedule and the revision to it. It makes perfect sense to me. I'm going to -- you know, a make-it-easy kind of a person. I mean, it's straightforward, but I would, you know, encourage, request that we make accommodation or -- or suggest an accommodation at least through 2021 for the Public Defender's Office

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to figure out what they're going to do going forward.

THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Thank you, Braxton.
Carol Worsham.
BOARD MEMBER WORSHAM: I don't have any additional comments.

THE CHAIRMAN: All right. Bill Adams.
BOARD MEMBER ADAMS: I don't really have a whole lot of comments other than, you know, I've always said that we hired a consultant to tell us what to do. And having bought that dog, I don't think we ought to do the parking ourselves, so I'm in favor of it as currently presented.

It's not that I'm not sympathetic to the Public Defender's Office. It's just sometimes it is what it is and there's always going to be a group or another that doesn't like it.

THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Thank you, Bill. Jim Citrano.
BOARD MEMBER CITRANO: I think I'm generally in agreement with Mr. Adams comments. I just worry about making accommodation to a particular group and then -- I heard somebody say Pandora's box earlier. You know, so I

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think consistency here is important in that regard.

Thank you.
THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Jim.
Todd Froats.
BOARD MEMBER FROATS: I'm in favor with
the proposed rates. I agree, we hired a consultant to do this.

Mr. Crescimbeni, the information you gave us with some of the parking there, indefinitely almost, I think it's just time to -- I'm glad that you guys did this. I'm glad that you went out and hired the consultant to look at this. It's probably long overdue because a lot of these grandfathered rules are in there from -from the past, and it's probably a good idea that we do this.

These rates are still lower than the private market. I park in the VyStar garage, and these rates are all lower than the rates there. So I think it's time to do this.

THE CHAIRMAN: All right. Thank you, Mr. Froats.

Craig Gibbs.
BOARD MEMBER GIBBS: Did I hear you say
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that the legislation allows City employees a phase-in through October of this year?

MS. BOYER: There was a separate -through the Chair to Mr. Gibbs, I'm sorry. There was a separate piece of legislation filed that the mayor's office introduced to allow City employees a 50 percent discount off these increased rates for a year, and it expires at the end of the fiscal year, which is September -- end of September of '21.

BOARD MEMBER GIBBS: I'm kind of leaning to the same feeling that Mr. Gillam has in terms of giving Public Defenders the same kind of discount. So while we did hire Haahs to set rates, they're providing a tremendous service for people who have tremendous needs. So if the motion is to approve it as written, I will vote against it.

THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Crescimbeni, you look like you want to make a comment.

MR. CRESCIMBENI: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
I would just like to add to Ms. Boyer's
comments. The legislation that the council took up last year on the 50 percent discount was an extension of legislation that originated

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probably back in 2012, I believe. And in 2012, the City Council made a decision, when employees were taking 2 percent pay cuts, that perhaps one thing we could do as a municipality would be to reduce their parking costs by 50 percent in municipal garages. So that's when the legislation originated.

So last year, when you adopted your -- the previous rate schedule that we submitted to you in September that went on the street -- went live on November 1st, the City employees are now getting 50 percent off the new rate, but that rate was applicable to them and it does expire at the end of September.

As the contract and regulatory compliance manager, I was very concerned when we adopted these rates and started seeing people paying below them because my job is to make sure that everybody's doing what they're supposed to be doing as established by this board. So anything to the contrary I think we're going to have to address one way or the other because, in my role, I've got to adhere to this sheet or some kind of list of rates to make it fair.

MS. BOYER: Mr. Chairman, if I may?
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favor of this. I'm big for simplification, standardization, let's run it like a business. If we want to do something else for certain reasons, fine, we can make those changes.

Okay. I need a -- any other questions or comments before I call for a motion?

BOARD MEMBERS: (No response.)
THE CHAIRMAN: All right. I need a motion.

BOARD MEMBER WORSHAM: I'll move to approve.

THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Carol Worsham has made the motion to approve Resolution 2021-01-01 as presented.

Is there a second?
BOARD MEMBER BARAKAT: Second.
THE CHAIRMAN: Oliver Barakat has seconded.

All right. Let's vote.
David Ward.
BOARD MEMBER WARD: Approve.
THE CHAIRMAN: Craig Gibbs.
BOARD MEMBER GIBBS: Approve.
THE CHAIRMAN: Todd Froats.
BOARD MEMBER FROATS: In favor.
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we do it either administratively or
legislatively, however Ms. Boyer and
Mr. Crescimbeni think we need to proceed. We need to do it right. And to provide the same opportunity for the Public Defender's Office that we provide to the City Council, provided to City employees through this year -- this fiscal year end.

BOARD MEMBER GIBBS: I'd second that.
THE CHAIRMAN: All right. Motion made by Braxton Gillam and seconded by Mr. Gibbs.

BOARD MEMBER BARAKAT: Clarification question, Mr. Chairman.

THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Barakat.
BOARD MEMBER BARAKAT: To Mr. Gillam, your resolution is to be consistent with -- is to be consistent with the City's discount provided to City employees, which was 50 percent of the increase? Is that -- was that the rate that was provided to City employees?

MS. BOYER: Through the Chair to Mr. Barakat, City employees, pursuant to that ordinance, pay 50 percent of the published rate.

BOARD MEMBER GILLAM: So this means
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they'll actually -- they'll actually be paying less for the next seven months or eight months of whatever they've been paying, but then at the end of that term they'd go to the published rates with this proposal.

MS. BOYER: That may or may not be correct because some of the rates they have been paying are significantly below the currently published rate. So I would have to do the math to tell you whether, on an individual basis, paying 50 percent of this rate is actually less than what they have been paying now because some of the individual rates that -- we said there were a lot of different rates that people were paying.

THE CHAIRMAN: Case in point, we need to simplify it.

Todd Froats.
BOARD MEMBER FROATS: Mr. Crescimbeni stated something earlier. I don't think everybody understood it, so I would like him to repeat that.

MR. CRESCIMBENI: You'll have to remind me of what it was that I said.

BOARD MEMBER FROATS: You talked about the
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1 fact that they were already not paying the

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reserved rate. So their parking rate, assuming we pursued legislation with the City Council to offer a 50 percent discount to Public Defender employees, it would apply to the prevailing monthly rate of $\$ 80$. So they would be paying $\$ 40$ until the end of the year, if it was approved by council, plus sales tax.

BOARD MEMBER GILLAM: Yeah, I'm just doing quick math. There may be a couple of those in there that in my opinion increase the rates, but most of them are going to be about the same or a little bit less than what they're currently paying.

So I think my earlier comment was -- may not have been completely accurate because of the diversity of programming that the current Public Defender's Office has. I mean, I think it was generally correct.

And I think that the proposal would make your job a lot easier, Mr. Crescimbeni, if -if you had that type of rate structure to apply at least through -- in the fiscal year with regard to Mr. Cofer's employees.

THE CHAIRMAN: All right. We've got a motion. We've got a second.

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Does anyone need the motion reread? BOARD MEMBERS: (No response.)
THE CHAIRMAN: Let's go ahead and vote. BOARD MEMBER ADAMS: I did have a question.

THE CHAIRMAN: Bill Adams.
BOARD MEMBER ADAMS: Sure. It just relates to the question of the chart that Mr. Crescimbeni put up relating to, I guess, the vehicles used by the Public Defender's Office.

To me, there's a significant difference between the rate charged to employees of the Public Defender's Office in their individual capacity and the vehicles that are owned by the Public Defender's Office. Are we treating these things differently or are we treating them the same way?

BOARD MEMBER GILLAM: If I could clarify my proposal, it was -- they will all now be charged at the new rates but with the discount, at least applicable to City employees for the next -- well, until September 30th.

BOARD MEMBER ADAMS: I guess, I -- you know, then this raises -- I don't want to make
this more complicated than it is. We're talking about cars and parking, but, you know, if we're talking about efficiency and these -we're just looking for places to store the cars that is -- are better used by the Public Defender's Office in the course and scope of their (inaudible) strikes me that there's probably lower cost options outside of the core. They may be slightly less convenient, but cheaper where those vehicles could be stored.

I'm not really -- I don't really have an opinion too much either way relative to the rates charged to employees at the Public Defender's Office for parking their own cars when they're coming to work, but it's -- it seems to be for these two particular -- two different creatures.

THE CHAIRMAN: All right.
Mr. Crescimbeni.
MR. CRESCIMBENI: Just for informational purposes, we have City vehicles that park in City garages. Those are pool cars that just may or may not get used any given day, and we collect -- the Office of Public Parking

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collects the prevailing rate, a nondiscounted rate, from that particular agency that that car -- that City vehicle belongs to.

THE CHAIRMAN: All right. Thank you, sir.
All right. We've got a motion and a second. Let's vote.

BOARD MEMBER ADAMS: Well, I have a question to clarify this. So is our motion to treat all vehicles, you know, including the vehicles owned by the Office and vehicles owned by the employees the same way? Because that, then, seems inconsistent with the way that we're treating City vehicles. So if our objective is to align these two things, at least in the fiscal year, I guess we have to split those two pieces out.

BOARD MEMBER GILLAM: So that's not my motion. My motion -- we've got eight months' worth of the fiscal year remaining. I'm trying to simplify for Mr. Crescimbeni's sake and give consideration to Mr. Cofer and his organization to change -- and they, for sometime, have been paying nothing for these 13 vehicles. This would change -- they're going to have to be -if we approve this, would be paying half rate

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for those 13 vehicles. And then maybe during that time frame they make the decision to move them off site because they don't want to keep paying at full rate in October, but -- but I'm just trying to make this simpler for everyone, in particular our administrative staff.

Thank you.
THE CHAIRMAN: Mr. Ward, you good?
BOARD MEMBER WARD: Yes.
THE CHAIRMAN: All right. Let's vote.
David Ward.
BOARD MEMBER WARD: Approve.
THE CHAIRMAN: Craig Gibbs.
BOARD MEMBER GIBBS: Approve.
THE CHAIRMAN: Todd Froats.
BOARD MEMBER FROATS: Opposed.
THE CHAIRMAN: Jim Citrano.
BOARD MEMBER CITRANO: I'm in favor.
THE CHAIRMAN: Oliver Barakat.
BOARD MEMBER BARAKAT: Approve.
THE CHAIRMAN: Bill Adams.
BOARD MEMBER ADAMS: I'm opposed.
THE CHAIRMAN: Carol Worsham.
BOARD MEMBER WORSHAM: In favor.
THE CHAIRMAN: Braxton Gillam.
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BOARD MEMBER GILLAM: In favor. THE CHAIRMAN: Ron Moody is in favor. Craig Gibbs, you were in favor. And David Ward was in favor, correct?

BOARD MEMBER GIBBS: Yes. BOARD MEMBER WARD: Yes.
THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. So let the record reflect that we have seven yeas and two nos. The motion carries.

Okay. Let's go to our last resolution. It's going to be very similar to the previous one. Resolution 2021-01-02. This is related to on-street parking rates.

Ms. Boyer.
MS. BOYER: Mr. Crescimbeni, go ahead.
MR. CRESCIMBENI: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
So this matter came before this board and passed. We did not take -- the board did not take any action. And, again, this is a rate chart that was suggested by the consultant through their plan that they issued back in 2019. Their recommendation was to eliminate all credit card transactions of a dollar or less and to also increase the on-street parking rates to at least $\$ 2$ per hour.

When this came before the board before, there was a lot of discussion about the first hour; should the first 30 minutes be 75 cents, should it be 50 cents. There was a -- and we -- I think Ms. Boyer asked that it be tabled and we'd go back and revisit this. So we've had some conversations with the consultant and they gave the blessing on a dollar for the first 30 minutes of the first hour and a dollar for the second 30 minutes of the first hour inasmuch as that achieves their recommended goal of $\$ 2$ per hour and it facilitates turnover of the space.

So the rate table attached to this resolution on Exhibit A, you will see that -in the top table that would be the recommendation, to adopt the rate of a dollar for the first 30 minutes, a dollar for the second 30 minutes, and then $\$ 2$ for each hour, a portion thereof, beyond the first hour.

Now, you notice on this Exhibit A we have three tables. And we also distributed a map to you of our parking meter locations. So if you take a look at this map, you'll see streets in two different colors. You'll see some streets

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1 in blue and you'll see some streets in green. Investment Authority to periodically change to not only create high- and low-demand parking areas, but to periodically change those boundaries. And those boundaries for those areas can be anywhere within the two CRAs, Northbank and Southside. present, this is -- the green would be the the high-demand areas. So low-demand areas, the second table on the page, would be to continue using the 50 cent per hour rate. Haahs study was that we give consideration to event parking rates, and you'll see the third table at the bottom of the page. For meters in the vicinity of the stadium or the Performing Arts Center or the arena or any other entertainment venue or any other area that might have a function with strong attendance, this would give the downtown -- the DIA and the parking office the ability to establish an event rate on those meters for a duration of

This resolution also allows the Downtown

So on this chart that's before you, at low-demand areas and the blue streets would be

And then another recommendation of the

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six hours when those particular events were going on.

And as a footnote to this conversation, as I mentioned at the SIC meeting, there's a long list of recommendations that came out of the Haahs study and we will be slowly but surely coming back to the SIC committee and the full board with additional recommendations to roll out those recommendations from the Haahs study. And a lot of those include other things like technology improvements, mobile phone payment apps, payment kiosks. We're currently working with the sheriff's office on revising our meter bagging policies. And this is all going to be designed to facilitate turnover on parking spaces so that we can get customers to restaurants, retailers, businesses in downtown, push the long-term parkers off the meters and into the garages. And this is going to be something that's coming back before this board on a very regular basis.

But if there's any questions about this resolution and this rate table, I'd be happy to try to address those.

MS. MEZINI: Mr. Moody, John Sawyer of OGC
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has asked if he could speak.
THE CHAIRMAN: Please.
MR. SAWYER: Thanks, Ina.
John Sawyer, Office of General Counsel.
It was on the prior parking meter debate, but the way Council Member [sic] Gillam expressed his motion I think everything's fine.

So thank you. I'm good.
THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Thank you.
All right. Let's have questions and discussions.

David Ward.
BOARD MEMBER WARD: Nothing from me.
Thank you.
THE CHAIRMAN: Craig Gibbs.
BOARD MEMBER GIBBS: I'm wondering why low-demand areas are 50 cents and not a dollar.

MR. CRESCIMBENI: I'm sorry, can you repeat that question, please, Mr. Gibbs?

BOARD MEMBER GIBBS: Yes. The low-demand areas are -- the adopted rate will be 50 cents, and why not a dollar?

MR. CRESCIMBENI: That's a good question. You may not like the answer, but at present those green areas are serviced by mechanical

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meters as opposed to more technologically advanced meters in the blue areas. And the mechanical meters are so old that they -- that the pricing is established by cams inside and we have no ability to change those.

So we have two options: Maintain the 50 cent per hour rate until we can upgrade the meter or remove the meter. So we're kind of constrained, but we do have some other digital meters that we may be able to deploy from backup inventory. And we're examining these streets and some of those blue -- some of the greens may change to blue soon based on what inventory we do have of additional digital meters.

BOARD MEMBER GIBBS: Thank you.
THE CHAIRMAN: Todd Froats, questions or comments?

BOARD MEMBER FROATS: So I would be in favor of the consultant's recommendation. But given what you just stated there, we have to change out a lot of these -- a lot of the equipment, so I would -- I would be in favor of adopting the new adopted rate as proposed with the idea that it would be changed once we get

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upgraded equipment.

THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Todd.
Jim Citrano.
BOARD MEMBER CITRANO: No questions or comments.

THE CHAIRMAN: Oliver Barakat.
BOARD MEMBER BARAKAT: Long overdue. No comments.

THE CHAIRMAN: Bill Adams.
BOARD MEMBER ADAMS: Nothing here.
THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Carol, comments or questions?

BOARD MEMBER WORSHAM: No real questions, but a comment to thank staff for the diligence of working on this parking study. I know it's not exciting or sexy, but it certainly needs to be done, so thank you for all your hard work in getting us to this point and patience.

THE CHAIRMAN: Braxton Gillam.
BOARD MEMBER GILLAM: No comments.
I just would move to approve Resolution
2021-01-02.
THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. I have a motion.
BOARD MEMBER WORSHAM: I'll second.
THE CHAIRMAN: I'm also in favor of it.
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Is there a second?
BOARD MEMBER WORSHAM: Second.
THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Carol Worsham has seconded.

So this is Resolution 2021-01-02 for on-site parking. Let's see how we vote.

David Ward.
BOARD MEMBER WARD: Approve.
THE CHAIRMAN: Craig Gibbs.
BOARD MEMBER GIBBS: Approve.
THE CHAIRMAN: Todd Froats.
BOARD MEMBER FROATS: In favor.
THE CHAIRMAN: Jim Citrano.
BOARD MEMBER CITRANO: I'm in favor.
THE CHAIRMAN: Oliver Barakat.
BOARD MEMBER BARAKAT: Approve.
THE CHAIRMAN: Bill Adams.
BOARD MEMBER ADAMS: Approve.
THE CHAIRMAN: Carol Worsham.
BOARD MEMBER WORSHAM: In favor.
THE CHAIRMAN: Braxton Gillam.
BOARD MEMBER GILLAM: In favor.
THE CHAIRMAN: And Ron Moody is in favor.
So let the record reflect that this
resolution passes. That's 2021-01-02 passes
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nine to zero.
Folks, a lot of good work there. We're approaching three hours -- two-and-a-half hours, so let's go ahead and push through. We'll go to new business.

Ms. Boyer.
MS. BOYER: I don't have anything for new business, but I do when you get to the CEO report.

THE CHAIRMAN: All right. Let's go to the DRI update.

MS. BOYER: And I don't -- oh, good. Mr. Parola is on Zoom. I can see him. So he can give you the DRI -- he, by the way, was covering the Rules Committee today, which is why he could not be here this afternoon because -- since it's a holiday week, the City Council committees overlapped with this board meeting.

So, Mr. Parola, will you go ahead and give everyone the good news about the DRI?

MR. PAROLA: Can everyone hear me? I know there were some technical difficulties earlier.

THE CHAIRMAN: We can hear you for now, but speak up.

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MR. PAROLA: Is that better?
Well, the good news is there's no more
DRI. So that's pretty much the long and the short of it. It went through City Council, very well received. We got some good compliments. Actually, there were some council people who were (audio malfunction) abandoning legislation and processes that are just not required anymore.

It has been replaced with an allocation procedure that is authorized through the Comp Plan now. So your ability to allocate development rights is now through the Comprehensive Plan. It's still an allocated development right where the transportation side is mitigated for. That has been, as we discussed before, incorporated into the Mobility Plan, arguably where it should be, so we're in lockstep with the way the rest of the City behaves in terms of mitigating transportation impacts.

Our next step is to work with our consultant. We are going to take an existing building on the Southbank and make up a scenario in which it has a change of use on it

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1 and internally process that change of use and

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are making progress on the CRA and BID update professional services contract that we have out. So we have four tasks in that, as you're familiar with. You probably will be hearing from the consultant team later this month and into February. They're starting their stakeholder meetings. So some of the groups are looking for input on parks. They might be looking for branding input. They might be looking for design standard input or incentives. So be thinking about where you think there are holes in our programs and where we have opportunities to improve so you can provide that.

The second thing I wanted to share is -- I know you've seen it in the press, but we haven't met since the late December activity at
the District. So the District closed on their bonds prior to Christmas. And between Christmas and New Year's we closed on the conveyance to the City of all of the property you see in green, which were considered the City parcels. So that is the park property and Riverwalk along the riverfront, as well the marshfront park, and then the Overland Trail

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area. Four-and-a-half acres that were purchased for real funds by the developer and were conveyed to the City at no cost as part of our redevelopment agreement. And so that has occurred.

We spent a lot of time working on the details of the construction budgets for the CRA improvements, which are the ones that we are obligated to pay for. So primarily bulkhead, park improvements, Riverwalk, et cetera. We've come to a mutual agreement on those, and those are included in the exhibits to the disbursement agreement and other documents that were executed at the time of closing.

We are anticipating that you will see construction start. It is going to be starting. They already have a contract out to bid on the parking lot that they're providing for Duval County Public Schools as a swap parcel. That will be the first thing that happens. We have a meeting tomorrow about moving forward on the bulkhead as quickly as possible. But you're going to see construction starting on the site certainly in the first half, if not the first quarter of '21. So

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that's great news. Very exciting.
We've got a really extraordinary artist that we're working with for the key art piece in the park that will be symbolic of the node and I think you'll all be very pleased as this starts to move forward.

And then the other thing I wanted to update you on -- and, Ina, you can switch to the other slides.

I gave you all a handout. The Landing RFP -- long awaited. That took us a long time to work through the various procurement issues, and we are grateful to the Procurement office for their help -- was advertised this week and is now on the street. You all were given a copy of it, so feel free to share it with your friends and colleagues and encourage people to participate and encourage people to bid on this.

We sent it out to a list of, I believe, over 50 firms and companies that we were aware of; national firms, local firms across the board, but we certainly want to have a number of respondents.

Darryl Joseph and I are the scorers on the
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PSEC committee. Unlike a property disposition, you are not scorers. You are subject matter experts. So your input can be provided to the Procurement Department. You can weigh in on what you think of different teams. You can weigh in on what you think of different designs when we get to the design competition phase, but -- so you are not in the same cone of silence that you are when we are doing a property disposition. I will be in that cone of silence and the staff will be, but just so you're aware of kind of how this is different because this is a City procurement process we're going through.

And on the site, I just wanted to share with you -- so Streetsense had done this work for us, which is just kind of a real high-level graphic of what the site is, the total
6.8 acres.

Ina, if you can go to the next slide.
These are the two corners where we are envisioning that there will be private development pads and that we are anticipating that the design of the park space will accommodate and address. It is possible that
the locations of those can slide with street reconfigurations, and if one is obviously already contemplating the ramp being removed in order to have the pad on the right, closest to the Main Street Bridge.

And if you go to the next slide, you'll see -- as we've defined those, these are some dimensions -- minimum dimensions that Streetsense had come up with. These three pages are all included in the RFP, so I'm not showing you anything that is not out there publicly available.

So these show you minimum pad dimensions that we used to come up with the criteria in the RFP, that the public space would be a minimum of 4.5 acres. So we know that we're working with 4.5 . It could be more. And, as I said, it's possible that, with a reconfiguration of Independent Drive or something, that you could gain even more than that, depending on the location of the private site.

But it's very exciting that it's out there. I wanted to share the timetable a little bit. So the responses -- there is a

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prebid -- nonmandatory prebid conference on the 29th. All of this information is contained in the RFP. Individuals who want more information can contact Dustin Freeman who's email is dfreeman@COJ.net. So that is going through the City Procurement office. That's where you should go with any questions, and they will be answered in addenda form, or at the prebid meeting.

We expect responses due in March. Those will be evaluated. The three qualified teams will be selected by the end of March. They will have 90 days to complete their 50 percent design and then they'll be -- at the end of June look forward to the presentation of their proposals, both in written form. And there will be a workshop where you will be invited to attend and get to see what the various teams are suggesting, and ultimately one of them will be selected then to move forward with a hundred percent design.

It is our hope to have that funded in next year's CIP, and that will coincide with the bulkhead work that is projected on this site, as well as the Hogan Street cycle track

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construction, as well as the completion of the Performing Arts Center garden. So hopefully this whole area can be completed in '22. That would be our goal as we're looking forward.

So I just wanted to share that. And I will turn it back to the chair.

I'm sorry, Mr. Chairman. I forgot one piece of this I wanted to share.

I know that Nancy Powell spoke earlier, and I did want to mention that I have been in conversation with the Jessie Ball duPont Fund. And they are engaging a consultant/designer who would look at the entire riverfront park system in terms of both programatically and aesthetically in terms of how it would integrate and how you would use one park related to another park to another. And so I'm very grateful for them for kind of taking that on and running that parallel and in tandem with this effort, so they will be able to take extensive public comments and receive public input on that and also have that professional design expertise look at how these parks, the District, this one and all the others relate to one another.

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and I want all of us to be encouraged that --
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Thank you.
THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. Ms. Boyer, great news. That sounds exciting.

All right. We are now at the chairman's report, next to the last thing -- the last thing. And I have a little housekeeping to do.

Ms. Boyer, I know you and your staff, it's a team effort that you present all this material to get ready for us. I'm going to please request that, as much as humanly possible, could we get those staff reports seven days before the Strategic Implementation Committee? Because there's a lot of stuff to go through. And I know -- I look around and we're all professionals working by the hour, and so our time is precious. So whatever you can do, please, it would be helpful.

Everyone pull out the big exhibit. It's entitled Downtown Development and Redevelopment Projects.

Ina, could you put that up on the board?
I asked Guy Parola to update this for me.
He did it in just the last couple of days. I was really blown away -- and I really think --

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and I'd really like us to get some exposure with this.

We've got a lot of things going on downtown. And, I mean, we just got good news on the District. We've got good news on the Landing. But when you look at this overall exhibit -- and down at the bottom, the legend, notice where it says, in the white text, these are approved, slash, pending approval. The red text is project completed. The yellow text is project permitted, slash, under construction.

Now, I'm not going to go through each of these projects, but what I am going to do is point out and tell you that -- if you look on the Southbank area, there are five projects that we have touched, and most of them are well on their way. I know for a fact there's quite a few others on the Southbank that are going to be coming before this board.

When you go to the Brooklyn area, there are seven projects that we have been involved in and are -- either they're coming out of the ground now or they're making great progress.

You go to the Core area, there are 14 projects within the Core area. And then you go

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to the sports area -- the Sports Center, and there's two major projects that we have touched.

Now, we don't even have the Cathedral District in there. But all totalled, there's more than 28 projects here that we've been working on, and a lot of us here on this committee have been involved with for three, four, five, six years. I mean, we've been involved in each one of these.

So don't lose sight -- you know, let's stay encouraged. On Sunday when the article comes out and it says, "With Lot J dead, what's next for downtown?" Well, the answer is a lot is available -- or happening downtown. And I think we need to look at it as, let's get our base hits, let's get our doubles, let's get our triples every once in a while. Let's keep grinding at it because there's a lot of good things happening.

Any comments?
Todd Froats.
BOARD MEMBER FROATS: I just want to comment on the District. It was -- it came before this board before I joined the board,

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and I just want to congratulate the members that were on the board at the time; and Mr. Wallace, I guess, at the time. That's a big deal. At the time that was our Lot J, at an earlier time. A lot of people opposed it. It was a big dollar amount. Not the same dollar amount, but a big dollar amount.

There were a couple of individuals, Mr. Rummell, Mr. Munz had the vision to create this district. And it took a significant amount of public financing, public incentives to create that. And still, it took this long to get it to where it is.

The point I'm trying to make is that the developers are not lining up to do those large-scale developments downtown. So when we have investors that are here and want to do that, we have to work with them and we have to keep that in mind and just change the public opinion a little bit to some of the people that were against these things.

The game of baseball has changed a little
bit. It's not just singles anymore. If you
look at baseball, they want home runs. And we definitely need a home run. I would say that

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