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No. 96 -

A RESOLUTION

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF GRIFFIN DECLARING THE PUBLIC NECESSITY OF PROMOTING AND DEVELOPING A STRONG CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT FOR SAID CITY BY CREATING A CLIMATE FAVORABLE TO THE LOCATION OF NEW INDUSTRY, TRADE AND COMMERCE AND BY REVITALIZING EXISTING INDUSTRY, TRADE, COMMERCE AND ECONOMIC ACTIVITY WITHIN THE CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF GRIFFIN; PROMOTING EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES; ACTIVATING A DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AS AUTHORIZED BY TITLE 36, CHAPTER 42 OF THE OFFICIAL CODE OF GEORGIA ANNOTATED; DESIGNATING SUCH AUTHORITY AS A REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY FOR THE CITY; DESIGNATING THE BOUNDARIES OF THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AREA; APPOINTING THOSE PERSONS WHO SHALL SERVE AS INITIAL DIRECTORS OF THE AUTHORITY AND ESTABLISHING THE TERMS THEREOF; ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the General Assembly has found the revitalization and redevelopment of the central business district of the municipal corporations of this State develop and promote for the public good and general welfare trade, commerce, industry, and employment opportunities and promote the general welfare of this State by creating a climate favorable to the location of new industry, trade, and commerce, and the development of existing industry, trade, and commerce within the municipal corporations of this State;

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest and is vital to the public welfare of the people of this State to revitalize and redevelop the central business districts of the municipal corporations of Georgia;

WHEREAS, the City of Griffin has a long-standing policy of promoting the vitality of its central business district as evidenced by the redevelopment and renewal projects financed by the Griffin Development Authority, the continuous participation of the City as one of Georgia's original Mainstreet cities; the employment of an active downtown manager, the promotional events of the Downtown Council which attract retail growth and highlight the City's historic and cultural heritage, and most recently by completion of several public works projects, including the Streetscaping of the City's main downtown streets; and

WHEREAS, Title 36, Chapter 42 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated creates in and for each municipal corporation in the State of Georgia a public body corporate and politic to be known as a downtown development authority, governed by a board of directors, whose qualifications, powers and duties are set forth therein;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF GRIFFIN, GEORGIA, as follows:

It is hereby declared that there is a need for a downtown development authority to function in the City of Griffin and it is the purpose of this resolution, enacted pursuant to O.C.G.A. Sec. 36-42-5, to activate in and for said municipal corporation a public body corporate and politic to be known as "The Downtown Development Authority of the City of Griffin, Georgia", with all the powers, duties and responsibilities as provided by Chapter 42 of Title 36 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated. In addition thereto, said Authority is hereby designated as a "redevelopment agency" for the City of Griffin, as provided by O.C.G.A. Sec. 36-44-4; provided, however, such agency shall only exercise such redevelopment powers within the downtown development area as delegated to it in this Resolution and by subsequent resolutions of this body.

Said Authority shall be governed by a board of seven (7) directors. The first board of directors, whose qualifications have been judged by this body as persons who either have or represent a party who has an economic interest in the redevelopment and revitalization of the downtown development area, and the expiration of their terms, shall be as follows:

	<u>Term Expires</u>
LUTIE JOHNSTON	12/31/98
MARION GODARD	12/31/98
GERTRUDE ROGERS	12/31/00
SHAWN CAIN	12/31/00
DOUGLAS S. HOLLBERG	12/31/02
HELEN GRAYSON	12/31/02

and RAYMOND HEAD, a duly elected member of the Board of Commissioners of the City of Griffin whose term as an Authority Director shall expire on 12/31/99, simultaneous with his term of elected office. Directors whose terms have expired shall continue to hold office until a successor is elected. A majority of the board of directors shall constitute a quorum.

The boundaries of the downtown development area, within which the Authority shall exercise its powers, shall be as follows:

BEGINNING at a point formed by the intersection of Broad Street with Thirteenth Street., thence proceeding East along Broad Street to Ninth Street, thence proceeding North along Ninth Street to Broadway, thence East along Broadway to Eighth Street, thence North along Eighth Street to Chappell Street, thence East along Chappell Street to Sixth Street, thence South along Sixth Street to Broad Street, thence East along Broad Street to Third Street, thence South along Third Street to Solomon Street, thence West along Solomon to Fourth Street, thence South along Fourth Street to Taylor Street, thence East along Taylor Street to Third Street, thence South along Third Street to Poplar Street, thence West along Poplar Street to Fifth Street, thence South along Fifth Street to College Street; thence West along College Street to Hill Street, thence South along Hill Street to Oak Street, thence West along Oak Street to Ninth Street, thence North along Ninth Street to Poplar Street, thence West along Poplar Street to Thirteenth Street, thence North along Thirteenth Street to Broad Street, being the point of beginning. All streets used as boundaries for the district hereinabove described shall be public rights-of-way.

The Downtown Development Area shall also serve as the area of operation for the Authority when exercising powers delegated to it as a "redevelopment agency", pursuant to O.C.G.A. Title 36, Chapter 44.

As soon as feasible, on or after January 1, 1997, the initial board of directors of the Authority shall meet on such date, and at such time and location as specified by Director Raymond Head for the purpose of organizing itself. In addition to the powers granted to Downtown Development Authorities by O.C.G.A. Title 36, Chapter 42, the Authority shall be authorized to undertake a study of the feasibility of preparing a "redevelopment plan", as defined in O.C.G.A. 36-44-3, and report its findings and conclusions, in writing, to this body on or before August 1, 1997. It is not the intent of this body to delegate to the Authority any redevelopment powers, other than the exercise of such power as necessary to conduct such feasibility study, by this Resolution.

This Resolution, and the Authority herein activated, shall become effective on January 1, 1997.

Judy Flournoy

From: Adam Causey
Sent: Thursday, January 06, 2011 3:27 PM
To: Judy Flournoy
Subject: RE: commissioner on DDA

Here is the official code:

36-42-4. Creation of authorities; appointment and terms of directors; quorum.

There is created in and for each municipal corporation in this state a public body corporate and politic to be known as the downtown development authority of such municipal corporation, which shall consist of a board of seven directors. The governing body of the municipal corporation shall appoint two members of the first board of directors for a term of two years each, two for a term of four years each, and three for a term of six years each. The governing body of the municipal corporation may appoint one of its elected members as a member of the downtown development authority. After expiration of the initial terms, except for the director who is also a member of the governing body of the municipal corporation, the terms of all directors shall be six years; provided, however, that the terms shall be four years for those directors appointed or reappointed on or after July 1, 1994. The term of a director who is also a member of the governing body of a municipal corporation shall end when such director is no longer a member of the governing body of the municipal corporation. If at the end of any term of office of any director a successor to such director has not been elected, the director whose term of office has expired shall continue to hold office until a successor is elected. A majority of the board of directors shall constitute a quorum.

(Ga. L. 1981, p. 1744, § 2; Ga. L. 1992, p. 2533, § 2; Ga. L. 1994, p. 1006, § 1.)

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and

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are the only thing it says about elected officials.

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Adam, off the top of your head, do you remember the specifics of the appt.... after Ms. Todd relinquished to Hollberg, I think I got confused. I don't recall it being the standard annual appt.