## MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF THE ILLINOIS SPORTS FACILITIES AUTHORITY

#### **September 17, 2020**

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Illinois Sports Facilities Authority was held on September 17, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. Due to the Governor's Disaster Proclamation related to health concerns the meeting was held via audio and video conference.

#### Item 1. Call to Order

Chairman Sanchez called the meeting to order at approximately 10:00 a.m.

#### Item 2. Roll Call

Call of the Roll was taken, and the following members of the Authority were present: Manuel Sanchez, Rosemarie Andolino, Norm Bobins, Leslie Darling, Michael Forde, Ilan Shalit. Also present were P.J. Frayer, Dana Phillips Goodum, Maureen Gorski, Maria Saldaña and Russell Levine of the Authority's staff. In addition, John Corvino and Maacah Scott from the Chicago White Sox staff attended the meeting.

### Item 3. Approval of the Minutes

Chairman Sanchez called for a motion to approve the minutes of the Board Meeting held on May 21, 2020. Mr. Shalit moved to approve and Ms. Andolino seconded. Roll Call vote was taken;

Ayes: Chairman Sanchez, Ms. Darling, Mr. Bobins, Ms. Andolino, Mr. Forde and Mr. Shalit.

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

### Item 4. Prevailing Wage Determinations

Ms. Phillips Goodum stated that Resolution 21-01 sets the prevailing wages for laborers, mechanics and other workers engaged in construction of public works for the Authority as of July 15, 2020. She stated that under the Illinois Prevailing Wage Act, the Authority is required to annually ascertain the prevailing rates of wages. Mr. Sanchez asked for a motion to approve **Resolution 21-01:** A Resolution Approving Current Rates Under the Prevailing Wage Act. Ms. Andolino moved to approve and Ms. Darling seconded. Roll call vote was taken;

Ayes: Chairman Sanchez, Ms. Andolino, Mr. Bobins, Ms. Darling, Mr. Forde, and Mr. Shalit.

Nays: None

Abstentions: None

# Item 5. Fiscal Year 2020 Unaudited ISFA Operating Results

Ms. Phillips Goodum stated that the pre-audit financials included in the Board Book for the year-ended FY 2020 reflected hotel tax revenue on a cash basis, noting that the cash basis is used to track the Authority's ability to repay the State Advance. She stated that the Illinois Department of Revenue had provided final hotel tax revenue numbers this week. Rather than refer to the projections in the Board Book, she indicated that she updated the financials to reflect hotel tax revenue numbers on an accrual basis, as required for audit purposes, and sent out revised financials

the night before. Barring any further audit adjustments, the updated statements reflect the hotel tax and net results expected. She first reviewed the financials that were included in the Board Book and summarized that these financials resulted in \$2.4 million of excess revenue over expenditures. She reviewed the major revenue line items noting that net hotel tax revenue, investment income and special events revenue were below budgeted amounts. On the expenditure side, she indicated that there were savings in debt service due to the recent debt refinancing, construction and operational costs resulting in a favorable variance of \$2.5 million. She then reviewed the expenditures in some detail. She concluded by stating that the onset of the pandemic did not impact the Authority's ability to repay the FY2020 State Advance even though net hotel tax revenues were \$2.9 million under the budgeted amount as a result of the pandemic's impact on hotel stays in March of 2020. March of 2020 marked the beginning of COVID-19 and the tail end of FY 2020 hotel receipts on a cash basis. Next, she reviewed the updated financials she had sent out the night before which reflected only a change in hotel tax revenue on an accrual basis. On an accrual basis, revenue for hotel stays during the fiscal period, July through June, is reflected in the audited financials. The audit adjustment included hotel stays for April, May and June of 2020 and excluded hotel stays from April, May and June of 2019, which were included in the FY 2020 cash basis figure. She stated hotel stays in April, May and June of 2020 were severely impacted by COVID-19 and the statewide stay at home order imposed by the Governor in an effort to mitigate the spread of the disease. Accordingly, she concluded the negative variance for net hotel tax revenue on an accrual basis would be \$17.6 million and, barring other audit adjustments, the overall expected net result would be expenditures in excess of revenue of \$12.3 million.

## Item 6. Guaranteed Rate Field Capital Repairs

Ms. Gorski reported that several FY 2021 projects had been initiated and are in process. She stated that one of those projects, HVAC renovations includes installation of UV light to improve air quality. She stated that all other FY 2021 projects were also in process. She noted that a major project for FY 2021 was the Security and Perimeter Upgrades, which included security upgrades to entrances at Lot D, the players' lot and possibly Lot E. She stated that next item was a redirection of funds and explained that due to the closing of the ballpark because of COVID-19, some FY 2020 projects were not completed and others were not even initiated. Accordingly, she was requesting that those projects with budgeted amounts get approved for completion in FY 2021. Ms. Gorski summarized that the total amount for these deferred projects was approximately \$1.1 million and the major items included HVAC improvements, Wayfinding Signage and Training and locker room improvements. She stated that she was requesting approval of Resolution 21-02 that redirected funds for these projects to be completed in FY 2021. Chairman Sanchez asked for a motion to approve Resolution 21-02: A Resolution Relating to Guaranteed Rate Field Fiscal Year 2020 Redirection of Funds. Ms. Andolino moved to approve, and Mr. Shalit seconded. Chairman Sanchez requested roll call vote

Ayes: Chairman Sanchez, Ms. Andolino, Mr. Bobins, Ms. Darling, Mr. Forde and Mr. Shalit.

Nays: None

Abstention: None

Item 7. Other Business None

Item 8. Public Meeting
No Public Comment

Item 9. Adjournment Chairman Sanchez adjourned the meeting at approximately 11:00 a.m.



ATTEST:

