

JEDO BOARD  
Joint Economic Development Organization  
Wednesday, November 12, 2003 – 3:30 p.m.

The JEDO Board met in the Chamber of Commerce Board Room with the following present: Lisa Stubbs, Councilmember, Chair; Gary Price, Duane Pomeroy, Ted Ensley, Vic Miller (all voting members).

Others present: John Nave, Doug Kinsinger, Kathy Moellenberndt, Tony Augusto, Jo Beilman, Nora Patton-Taylor, Jeff Wietharn, Ken Schmanke, Susan Mahoney, Brenden Long, John Myers, Rich Eckert, Trinket Harding, Ed Ramirez, Brad Owen, Amy Bauer, Curtis Pitts, and Bob Sherburne.

Marice Kane participated for part of the meeting via phone. She was out of state.

**Agenda #1. Approval of minutes of the October 22, 2003, meeting.** Gary Price moved the minutes be approved as presented. Vic Miller seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**Agenda #2. Presentation of Financial Statements.** Brad Owens of Mize, Houser & Company presented the financial statements for GO Topeka, Inc. (copy attached to the original of these minutes). Brad reviewed the Statement of Assets and Statement of Income/Expense. A question was raised as to whether projections for revenue received from sales tax were on target. It was reported that the revenue received to date is above the budgeted projection.

Gary Price moved the financial statement be approved as presented. Vic Miller seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**Agenda #3. Selection of Auditor for 2003 Financial Statements.** Doug Kinsinger of the Chamber explained the proposal from Berberich Trahan & Co. for an audit for GO Topeka. (copy attached to the original of these minutes) According to the contract between JEDO and GO Topeka, JEDO has the authority to approve the firm who conducts the audit. The Berberich proposal is \$1,000 more than that of last year but there has been an increased amount of activity in the fund that would justify the additional fees.

Vic Miller moved that the audit proposal of Berberich Trahan & Co., P.A. be accepted. Gary Price seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**Agenda #4. Discussion of Individual City/County approval of JEDO/GO Topeka contract amendment.** Brenden Long presented information regarding the process for the JEDO/GO Topeka contract amendment. Brenden reported that both governing bodies do not have to separately approve the document since it is an

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**At this time, Marice Kane's phone call ended. The order of the agenda returned to Agenda Item #6.**

**Agenda Item #6. 2004 Federal Funding Priorities.** The Federal Funding Priorities were listed for all:

- Topeka Boulevard Bridge
- Infrastructure for Central Point Commerce Park
- Great Overland Station
- Projects for MTAA and the 190<sup>th</sup> Air Refueling Wing
- Monroe School project

Duane Pomeroy indicated that City budgets for work around Monroe School had not been approved by the Council as of yet. He thought that Sumner Elementary School should also be included in the Monroe School project portion.

Doug Kinsinger indicated that December is the ideal month to get a project added for consideration. Other sources of funding need to be delineated for projects being proposed for federal funding in order for them to be considered favorably.

Doug mentioned that Senator Sam Brownback would visit with City representatives on December 11th. At that time, the federal funding priority list will be reviewed with Senator Brownback.

Vic Miller agreed that the Sumner Elementary School building should be packaged with the Monroe School project and possibly the support of the Park Service for that inclusion could be obtained. The Sumner School would be mainly used as a multi-service facility, but possibly 2 or 3 classrooms could be used in relation to the Monroe site and Brown vs. Board of Education ruling.

Doug Kinsinger indicated that a one-page summary from City staff was needed to present for consideration. The summary need not be detailed, but just an explanation of how Sumner could tie in with the Monroe project. Duane indicated he would obtain that from City staff.

Ted Ensley mentioned past problems he has had regarding the Park Service where a proposal was approved at the local level, but taken out at the regional level before consideration could be given by Washington D.C.

It was decided to invite Steve Adams of the Park Service to the December JEDO meeting to discuss how to package items for consideration at the federal level.