

### CITY OF ALBUQUERQUE OLD TOWN PORTAL MARKET ADVISORY BOARD May 17, 2017 – Minutes (Page 1)

Board Members: Denise Pepin, Alex Nunnally, Ramona Tafoya Citizens: Mario Hinojo, Stella Naranjo, Lisa Carrillo City Representative: James S. de Champlon

Denise Pepin established that there was a quorum and called the meeting to order at 5:07 p.m.

Alex Nunnally motioned to approve the Agenda; the motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

Alex Nunnally motioned to approve the Minutes from the March 15, 2017 meeting, the motion was seconded and approved unanimously.

**Old Business:** It was determined that the Board would nominate and elect new Officers at the July 19<sup>th</sup> Board meeting.

#### Buying from wholesalers and other various items on the Portal Market:

The Board was divided on this topic that turned out to have several different aspects of contention, including; there are no outdoor sales allowed in Old Town with very few exceptions, among which is the Old Town Portal Market program; what sort of documentation would the wholesaler or jobber need to have, even if selling product indoors; at what level of presence does this type of activity become disruptive to the Portal Market and to Old Town in general; what type of product might be appropriate for this type of transaction. (See page 2 for an addendum to the minutes with added details from the conversation, as offered by Ramona Tafoya.) It was generally agreed that we should take the issue to the Legal Department for clarification on the various legal aspects involved.

Proposed changes to the Regulations Governing Soliciting in the H-1 Historic Old Town Zone, pursuant to §13-3-2-18:

Tabled until the June 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

#### **Portal Managers Report:**

Tabled until the July 19<sup>th</sup> meeting.

#### Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

A Special meeting was scheduled for 6 p.m. on June 14<sup>th</sup> to review the proposed changes to the Regulations. The next regularly scheduled meeting is set for 5 p.m. July 19<sup>th</sup>.



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# Additional comments from the conversation on Buying from wholesalers and other various items on the Portal Market:

different aspects of contention including:

- there are no outdoor sales allowed in Old Town with very few exceptions, among which is the Old Town Portal Market program.
- this type of selling is against the zoning code.
- all types of selling, including food is inappropriate and a violation of zoning code.
- sellers should have a business license and registration, although they sell to the stores without this documentation.
- Sellers should not and do not sell to the public.
- Sellers should not set trays in front of a vendor's space.
- Selling out of cars or trailers should not occur.
- · Selling to vendors interferes with merchants business.
- Merchants purchase from same sellers.
- Not allowing vendors to buy from sellers interferes with vendor business. Buying allows them to purchase items not available in local supply stores. This allows them to enhance their inventory with one of a kind items not available anywhere else in Old Town
- Handing vendors 1 tray at a time to look at merchandise should be allowed.
- Selling to vendors has occurred for a long time.
- Tacit approval. The city knew this was occurring and never objected to it or attempted to stop it in the last 40+ years.

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