May 14, 2026
Dimond Improvement Association
Board of Directors Meeting

Members Present: Zandile Christian, David Gross, Kidan Hull, John Jacobs, Marjorie Jones, Victoria Wake

Members Absent: Craig Johnson, Maria Rincon, May Seto-Wasem

Guests: None

1. Approval of Agenda

A quorum was not present at the start of the meeting, so formal approval of the agenda was not done.

2. Approval of Minutes

January 2026 and March 2026 minutes were approved (motion: Marjorie; second: John). Note: April's meeting was cancelled due to expected absences, so no minutes.

3. Chair's Report

DAVE welcomed new board member KIDAN Hull to the board. Board officers need to be elected–David, Marjorie, and Victoria are willing to continue to serve as Chair, Treasurer, and Vice Treasurer; we need a new Recorder to step forward. DAVE has been looking into the membership system now that Membership has been moved out of CEVO and into its own committee. At the moment, he has switched all memberships to recurring, meaning that dues will be automatically charged at expiration dates. DAVE will call a meeting of an initial membership group, including some current and former board members. JOHN suggested making a stronger "value proposition" for membership, i.e., offering more benefits for membership beyond voting rights and supporting the organization in general; KIDAN asked if members can be contacted via text.

4. **Treasurer's Report**

MARJORIE passed around the preliminary final budget for last year (FY26) and the current available funds report. She also advised that every board member should be familiar with DIA's conflict of interest policy, and sign an acknowledgement of the policy once a year. She will send the policy and a document to sign to each board member.

5. Committee Planning

DAVE asked board members to consider which committees they would like to serve on this year, saying that everyone should ideally serve on two. Current committees are:

Beautification, Community Engagement & Volunteer Outreach, Economic & Business Development, Membership, Oaktoberfest, and Public Safety.

6. Committee Updates

Beautification: KDC sub-group has been monitoring drop-spot and requesting footage from the City's illegal dumping camera; a group of 3-5 men have repeatedly dumped large quantities of loose trash, approaching the spot via Champion St. through the Caltrans lot. KDC needs another Wednesday lead or two.

Economic & Business Development: The Mailbox is proceeding with its Storefront Enhancement grant project. JOHN reported that Dollinger is no longer pursuing the residential building and drive-through at the old BofA property, but will continue to develop the retail space. VICTORIA attended the Small Business Week launch event on 5/5; the City's longer-term effort will feature free or discounted digital advertising for selected businesses in each district of the City.

7. Volunteers of the Year

VICTORIA reported on the presentation of the Volunteer of the Year Awards at the May 13 General Meeting. Richard Park received his for all his work at Dimond Park restoring picnic tables and benches; Tom Kunhardt will be presented his soon (by JoAnn Tracht-Rawson and Victoria) for his ongoing tending of the 12 large planters in the commercial area. Each award included a certificate and $100 gift card.

8. Good of the Order / New Business

Members briefly discussed Measure C and if DIA takes positions on ballot measures. Our 501(c)(3) status does not allow us to endorse candidates, but we can take positions on ballot measures, although we haven't so far. If we did, we would need to report activity and any expenditure on our annual IRS Form 990.

ZANDILE requests that DIA T-shirts be ordered for the board. There was a previous design, but DAVID has been working with an artist on a new design.

Adjourned at 9:00pm

Minutes submitted by Victoria Wake
Approved 6/11/26