MIDLANDS REGIONAL CONVENTION CENTER AUTHORITY

Purpose(s)/Service(s): The purpose of the Authority shall be to:

- Engage in all aspects and/or activities related directly or indirectly to design, development, management, operation, or any other functions pertaining to a regional/convention facility;
- Participate in similar activities with respect to parking and other facilities that directly or
 indirectly support the operation of the Center; provided no Tourism Development Fees or
 other funds of the Authority shall be expended with respect to any lodging facilities
 unless fully reimbursable to the Authority;
- Participate in the management, operation and marketing of the Township Auditorium to the extent deemed appropriate by the Authority and Richland County;
- The Authority is exclusively charitable. No part of the net earnings of the Authority shall inure to benefit of, or be distributed to its trustees, directors, officers, or other private persons;
- The Authority shall not attempt to influence legislation;
- The Authority shall not participate in, or intervene in, political campaigns on behalf of any candidate for political office.

The Authority consists of **NINE** (9) directors. Each member shall appoint **TWO** (2) directors, with the City entitled to appoint an additional **THREE** (3) directors because of the City's additional financial exposure with respect to the bonds. The terms are for **THREE** (3) years. Members shall not serve more than **TWO** (2) consecutive terms; however, upon service of **TWO** (2) consecutive terms a member may be eligible for reappointment after **ONE** (1) year of non-service.

The Board meets the 4th Tuesday of every month at the Convention Center at 9:00 AM and the meeting last approximately 1½ hours.

The member's average annual commitment is 18 hours. Each director shall be required to attend in person at least 75% of the regular meetings.

Preferred Experience: At least **ONE** (1) director by each Governmental entity shall be employed in the Lodging Industry. Specifically, **ONE** (1) of the Richland County seats is required to be an Hotelier. The other seat can be from other areas of work but should have understanding of tourism and hospitality.

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