

## CITY OF LAWRENCE REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MINUTES

March 21, 2017

4:00 p.m.

**Public Assembly Room** 

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Jerry Clifford, Brian Hicks, Bruce Kimery, Bob Marien, and Frank Sullivan Jr.

**STAFF PRESENT**: Economic Development Director Cam Starnes, Corporation Counsel David Johnson, and DPW Director Bill Anthony.

**Also present**: Jessica Tower (Lawrence Chamber of Commerce), Chris Barnett (Lawrence CDC), and Rich McPhail (Hanson Professional Services).

**CALL TO ORDER & DETERMINATION OF QUORUM:** President Jerry Clifford called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and announced a quorum.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Mr. Clifford asked the minutes from February 28, 2017 be approved. Mr. Kimery made the motion; Mr. Hicks seconded. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS: Claims were submitted for \$22,297.80. Mr. Starnes answered questions and provided a summary of Claims for the Commission. A request for the Monarch Fund balance from the February Financial Update handout will be provided at next month's meeting. Mr. Sullivan made a motion for approval thereof; Mr. Hicks seconded the motion. The Commission approved unanimously by a show of hands.

## STAFF REPORT:

- 1. Lawrence Trades District update. Mr. Starnes continues to encourage pathways to employment opportunities and growth in construction trades through positive relationships with the Indiana Construction Roundtable and State Subcontractors Association. Mr. Starnes is currently waiting on a response from CBRE relative to the professional services engagement for hotel market research and will move forward once the agreement is finalized. Mr. Starnes has not yet received right of first refusal waiver regarding 4420 Dunn Street, but noted that the seller has notified the holder that if not received within the allotted time frame, it will then be waived.
- 2. Zagster Bike Share program. Mr. Starnes has had initial discussions with Zagster regarding a bike share program for Lawrence. The cost of the bike share service is \$1,800 per bike, per year, and is inclusive of equipment, maintenance, insurance, and station installation. Local businesses could receive marketing exposure through sponsorship of the program and rental fees could fund future bike/pedestrian infrastructure projects. The RDC is a candidate for holding the contract with Zagster.

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

- Authorization for City staff to begin procedure for disposition of 52<sup>nd</sup> Street property to abutting landowner in accordance with state law: Mr. Starnes requested authorization for staff to begin the process for sale of RDC owned property at 9462 E. 52<sup>nd</sup> Street. A motion was made by Mr. Sullivan and was seconded by Mr. Hicks. It was unanimously approved by a show of hands.
- 2. Franklin Road amended LPA for engineering and design services with Hanson Engineering. Mr. Starnes provided a recap of prior events that led to the current Amendment No. 4 to LPA Consulting Contract request. The approved Cost Reduction Analysis identified three (3) main options. Mr. McPhail of Hanson Engineering provided illustrations and detailed answers to the Commission regarding each option. Mr. Starnes and Mr. Anthony additionally clarified questions relating to design costs, expenditures, and funding. A motion was made to approve the amendment by Mr. Sullivan and Mr. Kimery seconded. Before the unanimous decision was made by a show of hands, the Commission asked Mr. Anthony and Mr. Starnes to see if there is any funding available to address the unsightly conditions at 46<sup>th</sup> Street. Mr. Anthony will check on more attractive barricade options and report back to the Commission.

**ANY OTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE RDC:** Mr. Sullivan requested a date change for the May meeting from the 23<sup>rd</sup> to the 30<sup>th</sup> in order to attend. Mr. Clifford will address at the April meeting.

There being no other business to come before the Commission, Mr. Clifford concluded business of the meeting. Mr. Kimery motioned for adjournment at 5:18 p.m. and Mr. Marien seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Jerry Clifford President/

Mary Jo Rothenbush, Recording Secretary

These minutes are not intended to be verbatim. They are a summary of discussion held, with the exception of motions.