



**CITY OF LAWRENCE REDEVELOPMENT
COMMISSION PUBLIC ASSEMBLY ROOM
LAWRENCE GOVERNMENT CENTER**

9001 E. 59th Street

Thursday, March 28, 2024

3:30 P.M.

MINUTES

Call to Order and Determination of Quorum

The meeting was called to order by President Jerell Blakeley at 3:35 p.m. A quorum was determined with Vice President Elia Sanchez James and Commissioner Sarah Whittaker present.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the March 4th meeting minutes was made by Commissioner Whittaker and approved by VP James. Minutes adopted 3-0.

Approval of Claims and Purchase Orders for Payment

A motion to approve the claims was made by VP James, Seconded by Commissioner Whittaker and approved 3-0.

RDC Financial Update

No financial update from the controller's office was provided.

Old Business

- None

New Business

1. Executive Director's Report – Director Johnson reported that he has spent time working with Lawrence Utilities to understand our development challenges. The RDC in the years ahead will be partners with LU to expand our sewer capacity in order to allow the city to grow.

Director Johnson gave an update on Monarch property that Reyes will be vacating this summer. Council members Jennings and Masur were also introduced by Presented Blakely.

2. Resolution NO. 1 – 2024 Authorizing Execution of Release of Option for 4411, 4421, and 4429 Franklin Road Properties, and corresponding termination of option. Commission Counsel Russell Brown recommended resolution 1 to terminate an option to release property. Motion was made by VP James, seconded by Commissioner Whittaker and approved 3-0.
3. Presentation on Brownfields – BCA. Len Henrichs from BCA presented on a city grant to conduct research and environmental remediation. In summary, the city can offer to conduct research ahead of real estate transactions for redevelopment.

Any Other Business to Come Before the Commission

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 4:18 p.m.