



Urban Renewal Agency Minutes

Monday, January 14, 2019, 12:00 PM

Council Chambers
203 Main Avenue East- Twin Falls, Idaho

Members: Dexter Ball, Perri Gardner, Suzzane Cawthra, Rudy Ashenbrener, Cindy Bond, Andy Hohwieler, Doug Vollmer

1) Confirmation of Quorum/Call Meeting to Order

Present: Dexter Ball, Perri Gardner, Cindy Bond, Rudy Ashenbrener, Suzzane Cawthra, Doug Vollmer

Absent: Andy Hohwieler

Staff Present: Nathan Murray, Executive Director; Brent Hyatt, Assistant Finance Officer; Lorrie Bauer, Secretary; Jonathan Spendlove, Planning and Zoning Director; Mitch Humble, Deputy City Manager; Nikki Boyd, City Council Liaison

Chairman Ball called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM. A quorum was present.

2) Consideration of Amendment(s) to the Agenda

None.

3) Consent Calendar

- a) Request to approve 1) Minutes for December 10, 2018 meeting; 2) December 2018 Financial Report; 3) January 2019 Accounts Payable.

MOTION: Perri Gardner moved to approve the consent calendar. Suzzane Cawthra seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted. Approved 6 to 0.

4) Reports/Updates

- a) Executive Director's Report

URA boundary Amendment - Last October the Board approved to make a Finding of Necessity to extend the Urban Renewal Area boundary. It's been learned that In order to proceed, a more in-depth analysis is necessary as well as creating an area plan; therefore, legal counsel advised that until we have a project and plan for a specific site, it's best to wait to change the boundary. Meghan Conrad, legal counsel for the Agency, briefly explained the codes and statutory findings needed to establish a revenue allocation area. A specifically defined vision is required.

160 Main Avenue - Developer will know the status of their financing by the end of the month. This would dictate when demolition would happen as well as the construction timeline. We're still waiting for them to provide us with the costs for a possible parking garage.

RFP for Vacant Parcel on Victory - The deadline for submissions is tomorrow, 15th. One response has been received. Details, as well as a possible consideration request, will be on February's agenda.

Downtown Traffic Study - With regards to the 2nd Avenues and the one-way ring-road that loops around downtown, Nathan shared he discussed calming measures with Region 4 of the Idaho Department of Transportation (IDT) in Shoshone. Possible changes could include angled parking on one side and creating more crossways and bulb-outs. IDT would accept changes as long as it didn't change the level of service by more than one grade. In order to figure out what changes would help to make a pedestrian-friendly corridor and to be able to effectively communicate with IDT, a detailed traffic analysis was suggested. Discussion ensued. Further information will be discussed at a later date.

5) Items of Consideration

None.

6) General Input/Announcements - Public/Staff

Dan Brizee, Twin Falls, voiced his favorable opinion for a downtown traffic study due to parking complaints, speed and the different types of vehicles currently using the roadway. He feels traffic should be moved off the 2nds, especially the truck traffic.

7) Upcoming Meeting(s)

a) Monday, February 11, 2019 @ 12:00 pm.

8) Adjournment

a) Adjourn to Executive Session 74-206(1)(c) to acquire an interest in real property which is not owned by a public agency.

The meeting will not return to open session.

MOTION: Perri Gardner moved to adjourn to Executive Session 74-206(1)(c). Rudy Ashenbrener seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted. Approved 6 to 0.

The meeting adjourned at 12:18 PM.



Lorrie Bauer, Recording Secretary