



Urban Renewal Agency Minutes

Monday, June 14, 2021, 12:00 PM

Council Chambers
203 Main Avenue East- Twin Falls, Idaho

Members: Rudy Ashenbrener, Andy Hohwieler, Doug Vollmer, Dan Brizee, Jan Rogers, Alexandra Caval

1) Confirmation of Quorum/Call Meeting to Order

Present: Rudy Ashenbrener, Andy Hohwieler, Dan Brizee, Alex Caval, Jan Rogers, Doug Vollmer

Absent: Cindy Bond

Staff Present: Travis Rothweiler, City Manager; Brent Hyatt, Assistant Finance Director; Jesse Schuerman, Engineer; Lorrie Bauer, Administrative Assistant; Jonathan Spendlove, P&Z Director; Meghan Conrad, Special Counsel

Chair Ashenbrener called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM. A quorum was present.

2) Conflict of Interest Declaration

Alex Caval declared she would not be voting on Action Item 5)b).

3) Consent Calendar

- a) Request to approve 1) Minutes for May 10, 2021; 2) May 2021 Financial Report; 4) June 2021 Accounts Payable.

MOTION: Jan Rogers moved to approve the minutes for May 10, 2021, the May 2021 Financial Report, and the June 2021 accounts payable. Andy Hohwieler seconded the motion. Roll call vote showed all members present voted. Approved 6 to 0.

4) Reports/Updates

- a) Executive Director's Report by Travis Rothweiler, City Manager
Children's Museum - Held their first community event and unveiled concept drawings. They will present the drawings and give an update during the August meeting.

Parking Structure (Galena Group) - Even though the submittal date has passed, negotiations will continue to try to reach an agreement. A third party has confirmed participation which would add 50'. Due to timelines, the parking structure may be completed in phases.

Budget Committee - The budget committee met and the preliminary budget will be presented at the July 12th meeting.

URA Board Applicants - Five applicants were interviewed. Two candidates will be presented to the Mayor and City Council for appointment on June 28th. They will be in place for the next URA board meeting.

Board Retreat - The June 23rd field trip will be postponed until the end of July to allow the new board members to join and participate.

The Fair Use Appraisal process puts a value on a property which is then used to sell or exchange the property. We are struggling to find appraisers, but will continue to search for future projects.

5) Items of Consideration

- a) Consideration of a request to spend up to \$38,208.80 to upgrade alleyway utilities to support the development of the property at 129 Main Ave W.

Ken Fitzgerald thanked the Agency for their consideration. The building on the 100 block of West Main and North Main is stable and houses many addresses including residential to help bring housing downtown. 125 Main was clarified as the address of this project. Discussion ensued.

MOTION: No motion. No action will be taken on this item.

- b) Consideration of a request to award the 3rd Avenue Alleyway Drainage Improvements construction contract to REG Contracting.

Commissioner Caval stepped off the dais. Jesse Schuerman introduced the agenda item and shared the bid results in which REG Contracting had the low bid of \$149,007.20. An additional 20% contingency was requested which brought the budget request to \$178,808.64. Discussion ensued.

MOTION: Jan Rogers moved to approve the request to award the 3rd Avenue Alley Drainage Improvements to REG Contracting for a maximum of \$178,808.64. Dan Brizee seconded the motion. Approved 5 to 0.

- c) Presentation of a Certificate of Appreciation to Cindy Bond and Doug Vollmer for their service as members of the Urban Renewal Agency Board.

Chair Ashenbrenner thanked Doug Vollmer and Cindy Bond for their service.

6) General Input/Announcements - Public/Staff

Commissioner Hohwieler commented on past budget issues.

Commissioner Rogers shared the URA Downtown Arts Subcommittee is moving forward with a painted mural on building project.

7) Upcoming Meeting(s)

- a) July 12, 2021 @ 12:00 PM.

8) Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:11 PM.



Lorrie Bauer, Administrative Assistant