

MINUTES

COLUMBIA GATEWAY URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY

REGULAR MEETING
OF
OCTOBER 28, 2013

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBER
313 COURT STREET
THE DALLES, OREGON

PRESIDING: Chair Steve Lawrence

AGENCY PRESENT: Bill Dick, Carolyn Wood, Dan Spatz, Tim McGlothlin, Linda Miller

AGENCY ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Nolan Young, City Attorney Gene Parker, City Clerk Julie Krueger, Urban Renewal Consultant Eric Nerdin

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Lawrence at 7:24 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was conducted by City Clerk Krueger; all members present.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved by Wood and seconded by McGlothlin to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Wood and seconded by McGlothlin to approve the minutes of the July 22, 2013 regular meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of Rehabilitation Grant Request by Wonderworks Children's Museum

The staff report was reviewed by Eric Nerdin.

It was moved by Dick and seconded by Wood to approve a grant in the amount of \$24,225 to Wonderworks Children's Museum, to be used toward building a parking lot for the building located at 206 Madison Street, contingent on Wonderworks providing documentation of additional funds equaling or exceeding \$32,200, which is the amount needed to complete the parking lot building portion of Phase 2. The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Rehabilitation Grant Request by United Church of Christ Congregational

The staff report was reviewed by Eric Nerdin.

It was moved by Wood and seconded by Spatz to approve a grant in the amount of \$26,857 to United Church of Christ Congregational to be used for replacing 25 windows in the building located at 111 East Fifth Street, contingent on approval by applicable agencies and entities, including Historic Landmarks Commission. The motion carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Update on Current Urban Renewal Projects

City Manager Young reviewed the status of on-going Urban Renewal Projects. Regarding the Granada Block Redevelopment Project, Young said the Developer was in the process of putting their financing together and had an investor from VIP Hospitality on board. Young said the parking structure bids had been reviewed and staff was working with one firm now to complete the cost portion. He said it would be presented to the Agency for approval at the November 25 meeting.

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Chair Lawrence said the Granada Block Developer had stated at a meeting in July, that they had no expectation of having the deadline extended beyond December 31. He asked if they would be able to meet that deadline.

City Manager Young said they had been working on the plan development and financing and things were progressing. Michael Leash said the investor had visited the community twice and would be back for another visit in the near future.

Miller said the Agency was a big partner in this project, yet didn't seem to be getting any information about the project. Wood said the Agency had done it's part and now just needed to wait for the Developer to complete their portion of the work. She said whether the Developer succeeded or not, the Agency had all the information needed to allow someone else to come in and make a proposal in the future.

ADJOURNMENT

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

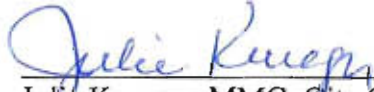
Submitted by/
Julie Krueger, MMC
City Clerk

SIGNED:



Stephen E. Lawrence, Chair

ATTEST:



Julie Krueger, MMC, City Clerk