

**Minutes of the Community Redevelopment Agency
held Monday, August 28, 2023 at 3:00 PM
in Council Chambers**



CALL TO ORDER

This meeting was called to order at 3:00 PM.

ROLL CALL

Chairman:	Art Graham	
Board Members:	Frances Povloski	VACANT SEAT
	David McGraw	Gary Paetau

Also present were: Heather Ireland, Taylor Mobbs, New Board Member Christi Elflein (term to begin 9.1.23)

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR TO VISITORS

No items

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A.

Minutes Approval

4.24.23

5.8.23 Special

5.8.23 Workshop

7.12.23

7.24.23

It was moved by Ms. Povloski and seconded by Mr. Paetau and passed unanimously to approve the following minutes:

- April 24, 2023
- May 8, 2023 Special Called Meeting
- May 8, 2023 Workshop
- July 12, 2023
- July 24, 2023

STAFF REPORT

Staff provided the agency with a Public Works staff report, and a general Community Redevelopment Agency staff report.

A. PW Staff Report August 2023

Mr. Paetau asked if the area in the Southend district, behind Staples, needed to be cleaned out? Mr. Paetau stated that the stormwater ditch looks overgrown and would I like to ask public works to check on this.

Mr. Paetau also asked if public works could provide the agency with a final report on the Jacksonville Drive project, inclusive of: start and finish dates, budget, and any savings. Mr. Paetau also asked if the completion status included phase 2, or if phase 1 was the only phase completed?

Mr. Paetau also stated at a previous meeting, Public Works Director Barron mentioned another stormwater project that was getting ready to issue for bids. Mr. Paetau asked if this project had been bid at this time? And if not, when are the bids due?

Mr. Paetau stated that some of the paver areas along 1st Street surrounding stormwater drains appear to be deteriorating.

B. CRA Staff Report August 2023

Staff discussed the Pier Parking Lot project with the agency, specifically, the fenced off endzone located beside Springhill Suites. Staff stated they would be exploring the option of reopening that area temporarily, while waiting on final project permits. Staff will provide the agency with more information as they work on a plan for this parking lot area.

Ms. Povloski stated for the record, she was fine opening the lot, but wanted to make sure we were not opening it and moving the pallets of pavers just to immediately close it again. The agency concurred.

Ms. Povloski also informed staff of an issue with the arrows recently painted in the Southend District that do not reflect the correct direction. Staff will inform the appropriate department of this error.

Ms. Povloski also wanted to look into making the beach accesses more accessible and requested staff find out where wheel chair mats are currently located and who owns/manages them?

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Paetau asked staff about the Marketing Brochure that was previously discussed, and stated this was something the Mayor wanted the agency to accomplish. Mr. Paetau requested this come before the agency at a future meeting.

Mr. Paetau asked about a downtown plan amendment, and staff reported that will be an FY24 project.

A. PAAC Sculpture Project Updates

Staff provided a brief update on the finalists for this project. At this time, there are no

substantial updates.

B. Latham Plaza Updates

Staff informed the agency of the status of this project.

Ms. Povloski asked if anyone was reaching out to local school, churches, etc. to see about having smaller events to activate the space during the week? Staff informed Ms. Povloski that at this time, the event bookings were handled out of the parks and recreation department, and the fee schedule for the current rental of the space was not conducive to smaller events. The new event policy will be coming before City Council soon for review, and that would potentially change this fee structure.

Ms. Povloski also asked what the plan would be for the current sculpture? Staff stated that would likely be a recommendation from the art committee regarding relocation.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Facade Grant Program Changes

It was moved by Mr. McGraw and seconded by Ms. Povloski to approve the recommended changes to the facade grant program, effective October 1, 2023.

This was approved unanimously.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

A. Passive Park Open House Feedback

Staff provided the agency with feedback received at the passive park workshop, which was widely positive. Staff informed the agency that they will be meeting with CHW to discuss the next phase of this project and an estimated timeline. The agency all agreed to continue to move forward with this project.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, this meeting was adjourned at 3:46 PM.

Submitted by: Taylor Mobbs, CRA Coordinator

Approval:



Art Graham, Chairman

Date:

10/30/23