



City of Racine

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Meeting Minutes - Final Redevelopment Authority of the City of Racine

*James T. Spangenberg
David Lange
Jim Chambers
Josh Garner
Doug Nicholson
James Morgenroth*

Monday, June 2, 2014

5:15 PM

City Hall, Room 106

Call To Order

PRESENT: 5 - James T. Spangenberg, David Lange, Jim Chambers, Doug Nicholson and James Morgenroth
EXCUSED: 1 - Josh Garner

Approval of Minutes for the May 19, 2014 Meeting.

A motion was made by Alderman Morgenroth, seconded by Commissioner Lange, to approve the minutes of the May 19, 2014 meeting. The motion **PASSED** by a Voice Vote.

14-10240

Subject: (Direct Referral) Request by the Executive Director that the Authority certify the redevelopment plan for the West Bluff recreation area. (Res No. 14-0269)

Recommendation of the Redevelopment Authority on 6-2-14: That the Executive Director be authorized and directed to certify the Redevelopment Plan - West Bluff Recreation Area to the Common Council and

That pursuant to section 66.1333, the Common Council direct that no new construction be permitted in the redevelopment area, including substantial remodeling or conversion or rebuilding, enlargement, or extension or major structural improvements on existing buildings, unless specifically authorized by the Common Council.

Fiscal Note: N/A

Assistant Director Sadowski explained the request. He stated that the West Bluff Plan has been passed by Redevelopment Authority, City Plan Commission and adopted by the Common Council. He stated that there were no changes to the Plan and the request is for the Authority to certify the Plan.

Assistant Director Sadowski read through the resolution for the item.

A motion was made by Commissioner Nicholson, seconded by Commissioner

Morgenroth, to approve RDA Resolution 14-16, approving the item. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote

14-10241

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the Assistant Executive Director requesting authorization to apply for a Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation Site Assessment Grant. (Grant Control #2014-023) (Res No. 14-0252)

Recommendation of the Redevelopment Authority on 6-2-14: That the Authority request funds and assistance available from the WEDC under the assessment grant and comply with rules for the program; and

That Brian F. O'Connell, Executive Director, or his authorized agent, act on behalf of the Authority to: submit an application to the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation to aid in the site assessment in the RootWorks redevelopment, sign documents, and take necessary action to undertake, direct, and complete approved grant activities.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 6-9-14: Authorize the Redevelopment Authority apply for funds and assistance available from the WEDC under the assessment grant and comply with rules for the program; and that Brian F. O'Connell, Executive Director of City Development, or his authorized agent, act on behalf of the Authority to: submit an application to the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation to aid in the site assessment in the RootWorks redevelopment, sign documents, and take necessary action to undertake, direct, and complete approved grant activities.

Fiscal Note: The grant application is for \$30,000.00. The City's match is \$30,000.00 which will come from a USEPA site assessment grant. Sufficient funding exists in Account 919 to cover \$2,000.00 in programmatic expenses. The environmental firm of Symbion has offered to prepare and submit the grant application, at no cost to the City, as part of their City-wide environmental services contract.

Attachments: [RDA WEDC-SAG Res_001](#)
[Rootworks 2014 Strategic Plan - \(2.17.14\)](#)

It was determined by the City Attorney's office that Closed Session was not needed for the following two items.

Assistant Director Sadowski stated that this item and item 14-10241 are related. He stated that the two grants requested will help stretch current funding for the assessment of RootWorks.

Assistant Director Sadowski read the fiscal note of the resolution for the item.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lange, seconded by Commissioner Chambers, to adopt RDA Resolution 14-16, recommending approval of the item. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.

14-10242

Subject: (Direct Referral) Communication from the Assistant Executive Director requesting authorization to apply for a Wisconsin Assessment Monies grant. (Grant Control #2014-024) (Res No. 14-0253)

Recommendation of the Redevelopment Authority on 6-2-14: That the Authority request funds and assistance available from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Wisconsin Assessment Monies (WDNR-WAM) grant and comply with of rules of the program; and

That Brian F. O'Connell, Executive Director, or his authorized agent act on the behalf of the Authority to: submit an application to WDNR for a WAM grant to aid in site assessment in the RootWorks redevelopment area, sign documents, and take necessary action to undertake, direct, and complete approved grant activities.

Recommendation of the Finance & Personnel Committee on 6-9-14: Authorize the Redevelopment Authority to apply for funds and assistance available from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Wisconsin Assessment Monies (WDNR-WAM) grant and comply with of rules of the program; and that Brian F. O'Connell, Executive Director of City Development, or his authorized agent act on the behalf of the Authority to: submit an application to WDNR for a WAM grant to aid in site assessment in the RootWorks redevelopment area, sign documents, and take necessary action to undertake, direct, and complete approved grant activities.

Fiscal Note: The grant application is for \$70,000.00. The DNR administers the grant directly so there is no City match required. The environmental firm of Symbiont has offered to prepare and submit the grant application, at no cost to the City as part of their City-wide environmental services contract.

Attachments: [Rootworks 2014 Strategic Plan - \(2.17.14\)](#)
[RDA WDNR-WAM Res 001](#)
[WAM Overview](#)

See discussion for item 14-10241. Assistant Director Sadowski stated there is no City match required for this grant.

A motion was made by Commissioner Chambers, seconded by Commissioner Morgenroth to adopt RDA Resolution 14-17, recommending approval of the item. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.

Next Meeting: July 7, 2014

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chairman Spangenberg adjourned the meeting at 5:30 p.m.