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Meeting Minutes - Final

Redevelopment Authority of the City of Racine

Alderman James Morgenroth
James Spangenberg
David Lange
Gregory Holding
Robert Anderson
Jen Adamski-Torres
Doug Nicholson

Monday, August 1, 2016

5:15 PM

City Hall, Room 303

Call To Order

Chairman Spangenberg called the meeting to order at 5:16 p.m.

PRESENT: 4 - James Spangenberg, Gregory Holding, Jen Adamski and Doug Nicholson

EXCUSED: 1 - Robert Anderson

Others present:

Amy Connolly, Director of City Development
Matt Sadowski, Assistant Director/Principal Planner of City Development
Michelle Cook, Secretary of City Development
Rachana Kothari, Brownfields Specialist RCEDC
Ald. Sandy Weidner

Approval of Minutes for the June 6, 2016 Meeting.

A motion was made by Alderman Morgenroth, seconded by Commissioner Lange, to approve the minutes of the June 6th meeting, as distributed. The motion **PASSED** by a Voice Vote.

Approval of Minutes for the July 11, 2016 Meeting.

A motion was made by Alderman Morgenroth, seconded by Commissioner Lange, to approve the minutes of the July 11th meeting, as distributed. The motion **PASSED** by a Voice Vote.

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Subject: (Direct Referral) Semi-Annual Brownfield and Redevelopment Properties Update Report from Racine County Economic Development Corporation.

Attachments: [Rev. Semi Annual Update RDA 08.01.16](#)

Rachana Kothari, Racine County Economic Development Corporation, gave an update presentation on the brownfield and redevelopment properties and grants managed for the City by RCEDC. She stated there are currently 13 grants being managed, including 2 new grants for 2016, worth \$4.2 million.

Ms. Kothari stated that the plan for the 2017 grant cycle is to work with City Development to prepare a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to have a consultant write applications and manage grants.

Ms. Kothari updated the RDA on the progress of a few of the brownfield sites such as Racine Steel Castings, Rootworks and Machinery Row, and 1520 Clark Street. She stated that we were working on closing out the Harborside (aka Walker Site) grants and that the Southside Industrial Park was currently being marketed.

Brief discussion ensued regarding sites such as the old We Energies property and the Southside Industrial Park.

A motion was made by Commission Holding, seconded by Commissioner Lange, to receive and file the item. The motion PASSED by a Voice Vote.

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Subject: (Direct Referral) Racine Redevelopment Authority Annual Election of Officers.

Chairman Spangenberg opened the floor for nominations of the position of Chairman.

Alderman Morgenroth nominated Commissioner Holding for the position of Chairman. Commissioner Adamski-Torres seconded.

Commissioner Lange nominated current Chairman for the position of Chairman. The nomination failed for lack of a second.

The nomination of Commissioner Holding of Chairman passed by a voice vote.

Commissioner Lange nominated Commissioner Spangenberg for the position of Vice-Chairman. Alderman Morgenroth seconded. The nomination passed by a voice vote.

Administrative Business

Set meeting date for September as regular meeting date falls on Labor Day.

Ms. Connolly stated that we would like to move the September meeting to the last Monday in August since the September meeting falls on Labor Day. Members agreed to move the September RDA meeting to August 29th.

Update on the Herman and Kittle/Veterans/Clark Street project & Development Agreement

Ms. Connolly explained that 1520 Clark Street was back on the market because of timing and financing. She stated that Herman & Kittle has given back the Low-Income Housing Tax Credits (LITHC) and that there is an array of developers interested in the site.

Report on the South Side Industrial Park marketing efforts

Ms. Connolly stated that we are looking at different ways to market the site with a request for proposals (RFP). She stated that there has been one request to view the

property.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:33 p.m.