

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
OF
OLD SIXTH WARD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

January 11, 2017

The Board of Directors (the “Board”) of Old Sixth Ward Redevelopment Authority (the “Authority”), convened in regular session, open to the public, on the 11th day of January 2017, and the roll was called of the duly constituted officers and members of the Board, to-wit:

Claude Anello	Chair
Jason Johnson	Vice Chair
Larissa Lindsay	Secretary
Cynthia Card	Assistant Secretary
Patricia Garza	Director
Alice Valdez	Director
Ann Guercio	Director
Chris Silkwood	Director

and all of said persons were present except Directors Johnson, Lindsay and Silkwood, thus constituting a quorum.

Also present were: Clark Lord and Debbie Russell of Bracewell LLP; Blake McGregor of Edminster Hinshaw Russ & Associates (“EHRA”); Joel Alba of the City of Houston; Melissa Morton of The Morton Accounting Services; Tamara Pierce, a resident of the Authority.

DETERMINE QUORUM; CALL TO ORDER

Director Anello noted that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order. He requested that the attendees introduce themselves.

APPROVE MINUTES

The Board considered approving the minutes of November 9, 2016. Director Card moved that the Board approve the minutes of November 9, 2016. Director Guercio seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

PIPA REQUEST

Ms. Pierce stated that the name of the art project was changed to Art on the Table. She requested that the Board consider authorizing the installation of one of the art tables in the Park for Humans and Dogs. Ms. Pierce noted that the installation is temporary with the amount of time to be determined by the Board. After discussion, Director Card

moved that the Board approve the installation of the art table for a period not to exceed six months. Director Guercio seconded the motion and it carried by unanimous vote.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Ms. Morton reviewed the financial report, including the profit and loss budget to actual, balance sheet, unpaid bills detail, general operating fund, and profit and loss detail reports. A copy of the financial report is attached to these minutes.

Following discussion on the financial report, upon a motion made by Director Guercio and seconded by Director Card, the Board voted to approve the financial report, as presented, and the payment of invoices. Director Valdez abstained from voting on the matter.

ENGINEERING SERVICES, PLANS, WORK ORDERS AND CHANGE ORDERS RELATED TO INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS IN THE OLD SIXTH WARD

Mr. McGregor presented the engineer's report, a copy of which is attached to these minutes.

Sabine Street Reconstruction

Mr. McGregor reported that the contract for the reconstruction of Sabine Street will have to be re-bid at such time as the Authority can afford to proceed with the project. He stated that he has reached out to the City for a possible joint funding of the project.

Entry Monument Disks and Concrete Street Signs

Mr. McGregor reported that Williams Architectural Signage Design and Consulting ("Williams") will change the seasonal disks to spring soon. The Board discussed the possible fabrication of disk to reflect the arts district to be interchanged with the Houston Marathon disk. Director Card stated that she would contact Susannah Mitchell regarding same.

Connections from Private Sanitary Sewers to the Public sewers – Phase 2B

Mr. McGregor stated that he was informed that the Phase 2B sanitary sewer replacement would be funded soon. He stated that as soon as the funds are received, he will conduct a preconstruction meeting and circulate the contracts for execution.

Park for Humans and Dogs

Mr. McGregor reported that the project is essentially complete with only a few punch list items remaining.

Dow School Park

Mr. McGregor reported that Asakura Robinson (“AR”) submitted the 75% plans to the Houston Parks and Recreation Department on November 4, 2016. He stated that because of multiple changes over the past two years to the site plan, an additional services work order is needed to complete the civil construction plan sheets. Mr. McGregor presented Work Order No. 18 increasing the cost from \$12,000 to \$16,200. After review, Director Anello moved that the Board approve the work order as presented. Director Card seconded the motion and it passed by unanimous vote. Director Garza abstained from voting on the matter.

Traffic Sign Replacement

Mr. McGregor then reported that Williams has completed the sign replacement on Kane and Decatur and is working on Union, Lubbock, Taylor, Hemphill and Henderson.

Coordination with the Bayou Preservation Association (“BPA”) on Clean Water Act Grant

Mr. McGregor reported that BPA has received a Phase I Grant to demonstrate Low-Impact Development Technologies in Urban Street Right-of-Way in the Galveston Bay Watershed. He stated that Phase I includes Stakeholder Engagement and Preconstruction Monitoring. Mr. McGregor stated that he is working with BPA on behalf of the Authority on a preliminary plan to have the Authority be the Stakeholder for the project. He stated that BPA has chosen Hemphill as one of its project locations. He noted that BPA plans for construction to commence in the summer of 2018 and the current plans for Hemphill will have to be revised accordingly to meet the anticipated construction start date.

Design of HAWK Pedestrian Crossing

Mr. McGregor reported that he has submitted the plans for the HAWK crossing to the City for review. He stated that he will send traffic light pole and mast arm options to the Board for review.

Washington Avenue Sidewalk, Curb and METRO Bus Stop Improvements

Mr. McGregor reported that he has also stopped production on the construction plans for the Washington Avenue improvements as requested by the Board.

PROJECTS REPORT

Set-Back Request

Director Anello reported that he has not sent the letter requested by Frank Liu in connection with his request that the Authority support a request for a five-foot setback for his project on Washington Avenue.

Proposal for New Corner Markers

The Board deferred action on the proposal until the March meeting.

Boundary Expansion- First Ward

Director Anello reported that plans for expansion are not being considered by the City at this time. The Board deferred action on the matter.

VERIZON WIRELESS FACILITIES

Director Anello stated that Verizon Wireless has requested approval to install facilities in the Authority. After discussion, the Board voted unanimously to authorize Director Anello to prepare a consent letter to Verizon Wireless.

MECA'S REPORT

Director Valdez reported on sewer smell in the area. She also reported that the exterior doors were repainted. She then reported on the theft of some toys and a stereo.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no executive session for the month.

ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

No additional items were discussed. The Board requested that Ms. Russell send out a list of meeting dates for 2017 and post same on the website.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments from the public.

Secretary

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