

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

OF

REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER THIRTEEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS

June 8, 2016

The Board of Directors (the “Board”) of Reinvestment Zone Number Thirteen, City of Houston, Texas (the “Zone”), convened in regular session, open to the public, on the 8th day of June 2016, 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 Director Guercio, thus constituting a quorum.

Also present were: Clark Lord and Debbie Russell of Bracewell LLP; Blake McGregor of Edminster Hinshaw Russ & Associates (“EHRA”); Gary Hill of the City of Houston; Suzanna Mitchell of the Sawyer Heights Arts District; Melissa Morton and Cassandra Bacon of The Morton Accounting Services; and Chris Valdez.

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 April 13, 2016. Director Silkwood moved that the Board approve the minutes of April 13, 2016. Director Card seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

ATTORNEY’S REPORT

MECA Meeting Room

The Board next discussed the rehabilitation of the meeting room in MECA the lease proposed by MECA. Mr. Lord stated that he contacted the auditor and confirmed that a long term lease for the room will not affect the tax exempt status of MECA.

Director Valdez requested that an additional revision be made to the lease to provide that others may use the meeting room. She also requested that the construction materials that are still in the room be removed.

Community Outreach Program

There was no report for the month.

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.

MECA'S REPORT

Director Valdez reported on activities at MECA and stated that a number of fun programs are planned for the summer. She also reported that four burglaries of the MECA building occurred within one week. The Board discussed possible ways to prevent occurrences. Mr. Lord stated that the City might be able to assist since MECA is a City funded asset.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no executive session for the month.

ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

The Board requested that an item be added to the agenda to discuss funding options for Sabine Street and an item regarding additional lighting around MECA.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments from the public.

Secretary
