



APPROVED: August 20, 2008

CITY OF ALBANY
Albany Revitalization Agency
City Hall Council Chambers, 333 Broadalbin Street SW
Wednesday, July 16, 2008

MINUTES

Agency Members present: Mayor Dan Bedore, Councilors Jeff Christman, Floyd Collins, Bessie Johnson, Sharon Konopa, Dick Olsen, and Ralph Reid, Jr.

Agency Members absent: None.

Staff present: City Manager Wes Hare, Urban Renewal Coordinator Kate Porsche, and Administrative Assistant Teresa Nix

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Sharon Konopa called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

June 18, 2008

MOTION: Floyd Collins moved to approve the June 18 minutes as presented. Ralph Reid, Jr., seconded the motion, and it **passed** unanimously.

SCHEDULED BUSINESS

Business from the Public

None.

Adoption of Resolutions

Approving the Intergovernmental Agreement with the City

MOTION: Dan Bedore moved to adopt the resolution approving the Intergovernmental Agreement with the City pledging certain revenues for repayment of the state of Oregon Economic and Community Development Department Special Public Works Fund loan. Reid seconded the motion, and it **passed** unanimously.

Establishing a Pilot Program for \$75,000 to Fund Blighted Single-Family Residential Homes

MOTION: Bedore moved to adopt the resolution establishing a pilot program for \$75,000 to fund blighted single-family residential homes. Reid seconded the motion.

Jeff Christman said that he has some concerns about this resolution. One concern is that the resolution says loans may be for up to \$75,000 per project; he believes that most applications will be for the maximum amount. Although this was discussed at the Board level, he thinks that these projects should come to CARA like any other project. He will vote no on the motion.

Urban Renewal Coordinator Kate Porsche noted that the resolution is presented based on direction from CARA to create a separate pot of funds for requests to fund blighted single-family homes. Dick Olsen said that he understands that these requests would still come to CARA for decision. Porsche said that is correct.

Bedore withdrew the motion because the resolution states that grants are limited to homes within the Hackleman Historic District. He will not support the motion unless that limitation is removed.

The motion was **withdrawn**.

MOTION: Olsen moved to approve the resolution with an amendment that the program is open to any blighted single-family historic home within the CARA district. Bedore seconded the motion, and it **passed** by a vote of 4 to 3:

Yes: Bedore, Collins, Konopa, Olsen
No: Christman, Johnson, Reid

Establishing an Annual Small Grant Matching Program for \$50,000

MOTION: Collins moved to adopt the resolution establishing an annual small grant matching program for \$50,000. Bedore seconded the motion, and it **passed** unanimously.

Approving Calapooia Brewing Company Developer Partnership for \$55,000

MOTION: Olsen moved to adopt the resolution approving a Calapooia Brewing Company Developer Partnership for \$55,000. Christman seconded the motion, and it **passed** unanimously.

Approving Washington Street Studio Apartments Matching Grant for \$18,638

Christman commented that the Washington Street Apartments are completely occupied and look very good.

MOTION: Christman moved to adopt the resolution approving a Washington Street Studio Apartments matching grant for \$18,638. Bedore seconded the motion, and it **passed** unanimously.

Approving George Throop's Developer Partnership for \$298,500

MOTION: Bedore moved to adopt the resolution approving a George Throop developer partnership for \$298,500. Christman seconded the motion, and it **passed** unanimously.

Approving Yohn Baldwin's Matching Grant for \$10,000

MOTION: Christman moved to adopt the resolution approving a Yohn Baldwin matching grant for \$10,000. Bedore seconded the motion, and it **passed** unanimously.

Bedore said this is an example of when CARA did not grant the entire amount requested, but did grant some funds for public improvements. Konopa agreed.

BUSINESS FROM THE AGENCY

None.

NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting will be held Wednesday, August 20, 2008, immediately following the CARA Advisory Board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no further business, Chair Konopa adjourned the meeting at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Reviewed by,

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Teresa Nix
Administrative Assistant

Kate Porsche
Urban Renewal Coordinator