

Community Development Authority Minutes

May 11, 2015

Approved

Site visit to Bardo at 5:15 pm

Call to Order at 5:45 pm by Brown

Roll call – all in attendance except Pfof and Weiss there were excused. In addition, Steward and Jefferson

Public Comment –

None

Minutes:

Garvin/Stott motion to approve minutes. All ayes. Carried.

Election of Chair

Garvin/Mossholder to nominate Bob Hart for Chair.

Stott/Garvin motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Bob Hart. All ayes. Carried.

Election of Vice Chair

Mossholder/Garvin to nominate Jim Stott for Vice Chair.

Mossholder/Garvin motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Jim Stott. All ayes. Carried.

Paul Streeter Presentation for a Community Garden

Amanda and Paul presented concept of a community garden on 2nd Main Street. Approximately 10,000 square feet in size and the overall site has a 60-ft drop in elevation.

The CDA asked about liability and it is a private site, so no liability to the City.

What happens if he doesn't sell all plots? Streeter said all would be planted and all would be worked and shared regardless.

There is a current garden in place.

CDA Supports idea. Steward will look into the zoning specifications.

Bardo project:

Steward gave an update

Brown asked who is responsible – Steward said we (I) are acting as the project manager and am working with MSA and Bardo on the project.

Grant – we are waiting for the contract.

Lueck and Hawkhunter properties:

Garvin presented on Lueck and Amish taking down the building

Lueck needs a demolition permit in accordance with the engineer and needs a completion date.

Steward will meet with him tomorrow @ 3:30 pm

Garvin asked Elliott Clark if he could take down Hawkhunter and he said yes

Might need to redo plat once buildings are taken down.

Advertising in 7 Rivers Alliance

Garvin explained that this is an economic development regional resource group of 20 counties in Minnesota, Iowa and Wisconsin. Can advertise commercial and industrial lots through them. There is a one-time fee of \$500 and it is \$150 per year per lot.

Main Street Business Façade Program:

Taskonis' looking to tuck point and 0% loan for \$2,200.

Stott – tuck point and painting for up to \$5,000.

Garvin/Brown motion to approve Taskonis' in amount of \$2,200 0% loan. All ayes. Carried.

Garvin/Brown motion to approve Stott in the amount not to exceed \$5,000 matching grant. All ayes. Carried.

Theater, Stott, Taskonis and CarQuest taking advantage of the program.

Developer Agreement Policy:

Revised version distributed. Garvin explained.

Garvin/Mossholder motion to approve developer agreement policy. All ayes. Carried.

Update:

Fertile Grounds – bank bought it back (Farmers & Merchants Bank) and the things we own through the CDBG Economic Development program are still there.

What is going on at the Koenecke building? Brown will find out.

Email agenda items to Steward

Garvin/Brown motion to adjourn at 6:55 pm. All ayes. Carried.

Mark Steward
Executive Director – Secretary/Treasurer of CDA
City Administrator