

CITY OF DERBY
REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
February 10, 2009 - 6:30 P.M.
DERBY CITY HALL – ALDERMANIC CHAMBERS
MINUTES

Call to order:

Chairman Joseph Bomba called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance:

All rose and pledged allegiance.

Roll Call:

Present: Glen Stevens, Greg Russo, Michael Kelleher and Chairman Joseph Bomba.

Also Present: Mayor Anthony Staffieri, Director of Economic Development Sheila O'Malley and Corporation Counsel Joseph Coppola

Absent: Ken Hughes

Additions, Deletions, Corrections and Adoption of Agenda:

Motion to approve by Mr. Russo, second by Mr. Stevens, all in favor, motion passes.

Public Portion:

Mr. Dan Waleski, 21 Elm Street, he wanted to urge the Agency to do the best they can regarding the downtown progress.

Election of Chair

Motion by Mr. Stevens to nominate Joseph Bomba as Chairman, second by Mr. Kelleher. Motion to close nominations by Mr. Kelleher, second by Mr. Stevens, all in favor. Mr. Bomba is the Chairman of the Redevelopment Agency.

Adoption of Robert's Rules of Order

Motion by Mr. Russo to adopt the Robert's Rules of Order, second by Mr. Kelleher, all in favor, motion passes.

Adoption of Meeting Schedule 2009

Motion to accept the meeting schedule for 2009, the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. – City Hall – Aldermanic Chambers by Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Russo, all in favor, motion passes.

Approval of minutes -

October 14, 2008 Regular Meeting – motion to accept the minutes by Mr. Russo, second by Mr. Stevens, all in favor, motion passes.

October 30, 2008 Special Meeting – motion to accept the minutes by Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Russo, all in favor, motion passes.

Town Development Act Attorney Coppola explained the Town Development Act to the Agency. On February 19th the Board of Aldermen will hold a public hearing to invite comment regarding the town development act. The purpose of the meeting will be to decide whether or not to go to referendum to pass the authorities that are given to municipalities.

The document was generated by Day Pitney (bond counsel) and describes the powers municipalities can exercise. Municipalities can go out and raise capital through bonds. The Act states these bonds are not backed by the full faith and credit of the City. It is backed by the project itself. The project has to meet all of the requirements of the Act. This never impacts the bond structure of the City.

Status of ALO Project – (City owned properties on Anson, Lafayette and Olivia Streets)

Ms. O’Malley handed out before and after pictures of the 96-98 Olivia Street demolition from Sunday. This week asbestos work will be done at 36 and 44 Lafayette Street. AT&T and U.I. are hooking lines back up to 96-98 Olivia Street. Tuesday will be a final walk through for 36 and 44 Lafayette Street, so Tuesday/Wednesday will be the demolition. There was an emergency partial demolition at 42 Fifth Street. There were calls from neighbors and blight officers with issues of the external structure. The demolition of 42 Fifth Street depends on funding. The cost of re-routing the utilities has been high. The Mayor initiated the request for Representative Gentile and Senator Crisco to put the request in for the funding and Representative Klarides along with Representative Gentile and Senator Crisco pushed to get it on the Governor’s urban act funds.

Status of DOT Parcel

Ms. O’Malley said there was a recent article in the paper which stated the City got the money and the project is all wrapped up. The Mayor asked that she meet with the federal USEDA and talk about the timeline and are we getting this grant. They said they anticipate funding this project, the first week of March. As soon as they get their funding, Derby will get their award. The State would like to provide a match to this million dollars. She has gone before Inland/Wetlands and submitted to P & Z for permits.

Executive Session

Motion to go into Executive Session at 7:02 p.m. and invite Mayor Anthony Staffieri, Corporation Counsel Joseph Coppola and Director of Economic Development Sheila O’Malley, subject to adjournment.

- a. Downtown Redevelopment litigation
- b. RFQ – Downtown Redevelopment

Adjournment Meeting ended at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise Cesaroni
Recording Secretary

These minutes are subject to the approval of the Redevelopment Agency at their next regularly scheduled meeting.