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Stamford Government Center-Stamford, Connecticut
Regular Meeting- Thursday, November 10, 2022

The City of Stamford Urban Redevelopment Commission, Office of Economic Development, held a **Regular Meeting, on Thursday, November 10, 2022, commencing at 5:05pm** via Zoom Meeting.

1. Call to Order

Vice Chairman Fischer called the meeting to order at 5:05pm.

2. Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Stephen Fischer, Richard Evanko, Kenny Green and Mara Siladi
Commissioner Late: Fran Pastore

Commission Staff: Loren Nadres-Executive Director
Dr. Jackson-Assistant Director

Guest(s): Vikki Cooper, Mario Coppola, Lisa Feinberg, Leah Kagan, Jason Klein,
Mitch Kidd, Scott Lumby and Stephanie Odenath

3. Introduction of new URC Commissioner Kenneth Green

Vice Chairman Fischer welcomed Commissioner Green along with the Commissioners and staff.

4. Public Comment

None

5. Reading and Acceptance of Minutes

a. Approval of Minutes from Regular Meeting October 13, 2022

Vice Chairman Fischer asked if all Commissioners have read the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on October 13, 2022. Commissioner Siladi made the motion to approve the minutes with second from Commissioner Fischer. Motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Pastore joined at 5:09pm

b. Approval of Minutes from Special Meeting October 20, 2022

Vice Chairman Fischer tabled this item until next meeting.

6. Election of New Chairperson

This item was tabled until next meeting.

7. Report of Executive Director or Assistant Director

Ms. Nadres welcomed new Commissioner Kenny Green. She added that we'll be checking in with each of the Commissioners, as we set the strategy for the coming year and how to leverage these monthly calls to identify how we move towards these goals. Lastly, we'll be setting up open office hours with any of the Commissioners to make herself available.

Ms. Nadres stated that she and Ms. Kagan has a hard stop at 5:45pm so if there was anything that we need to decide on, if we could do that prior to that and apologized for the inconvenience. Vice Chairman Fischer replied if no one objects, if we can skip the committee reports for the time being and move on to the unfinished business section of the agenda.

8. Committee Report(s)

a. Budget Committee

i. Review and Approval of FY 22-23 Budget

Commissioner Evanko stated a Special Meeting will be needed prior to the next Regular Meeting to finalize the budget.

b. Personnel Committee

9. Unfinished/Old Business

a. 0 West Park Place

Attorney Coppola stated the amendment has been prepared and reviewed by Attorney Rosenberg and we just need it to be executed.

b. Title Report for Stamford Town Center (Mall)

Attorney Coppola reported that the URC had requested that he provide a memo confirming the URC's rights in the subject property and the first step in doing so was to get a complete title search. There were portions of the titles but not a full title. We have been waiting for the City to provide a copy of a title search. He has spoken with City Attorney Dalena and as soon as he has it, he will make it available to the URC.

c. Veteran's Park

Dr. Jackson stated information has been sent to the legal department as requested by them. A conversation with Deputy Corporation Counsel Vikki Cooper was had and further communication will be had once she's had an opportunity to review all the materials and determine some definitive action or resolution. Vice Chairman Fischer requested the information be sent to all the Commissioners. Attorney Coppola reminded the Commissioners to not reply all and have any communications regarding substantive issues on e-mail which would be in violation of the Freedom of Information Act.

d. Financial Records Status Review

Dr. Jackson shared the reports have been forwarded to auditor with the exception of the budget and a draft report should be available at the next regular meeting.

10. New Business

Dr. Jackson stated that he shared with the Ms. Nadres and Chief of Staff the need for an orientation for the Commission with potential scheduling for January.

Commissioner Evanko asked about the parking meters on the lot next to Curley's and the target parking lot agreement. Dr. Jackson will look into these items.

a. Next Meeting

i. Discussion-Next Meeting Agenda

ii. Confirmation-Next Regular Meeting (Thursday, December 8, 2022 at 5pm)

11. Adjournment

Commissioner Pastore made a motion to adjourn the meeting with second from Commissioner Evanko at 5:41pm. Motion passed unanimously. With no further business to be discussed, the meeting was concluded.

Respectfully submitted,



Richard Evanko

Secretary/Treasurer Urban Redevelopment Commission