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CITY OF STAMFORD
URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Stamford Government Center-Stamford, Connecticut
Regular Meeting- Thursday, February 9, 2023

The City of Stamford Urban Redevelopment Commission, Office of Economic Development, held a **Regular Meeting, on Thursday, February 9, 2023, commencing at 5:05pm** via Zoom Meeting.

1. Call to Order

The meeting came to order at 5:05pm.

2. Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Stephen Fischer, Richard Evanko, Kenny Green and Mara Siladi

Commissioner(s) Absent: Fran Pastore

Commission Staff: Loren Nadres-Executive Director, Dr. Jackson-Assistant Director and Theresa Bowen-Office Manager

Guest(s): Ralph Blessing, Vikki Cooper, Colleen Harkey, Leah Kagan, Stephanie Odenath, Pat Parry and Rick Redniss

3. Public Comment

Dr. Jackson asked the Chairman for all of the things that are going on...wars, tornadoes and earthquakes. Just a moment of silence and recognition of those things that are happening around us in this world in which we live. Chairman Evanko responded by recognizing Dr. Jackson's request by taking a moment of silence.

4. Reading and Acceptance of Minutes

a. Approval of Minutes from Regular Meeting January 12, 2023

Chairman Evanko asked if all Commissioners have read the minutes from the Regular Meeting held on January 12, 2023. Commissioner Fischer made the motion to approve the minutes with second from Commissioner Siladi. **Motion passed unanimously with Commissioners present.**

b. Approval of Minutes from Special Meeting January 19, 2023

Chairman Evanko asked if all Commissioners have read the minutes from the Special Meeting held on January 19, 2023. Commissioner Fischer made the motion to approve the minutes with second from Commissioner Siladi. **Motion passed unanimously with Commissioners present.**

5. Update Status Stamford Veteran's Park Grant

Chairman Evanko requested a motion to enter Executive Session. Commissioner Siladi made a motion to enter Executive Session with second from Commissioner Fischer. **Motion passed unanimously with Commissioners present.**

The Chairman invited the Commissioners, URC staff and Attorney Cooper into Executive Session at 5:26pm. The Executive Session ended at 6:10pm. Chairman Evanko no motions were made and no votes were taken.

The Chairman stated we have a way forward and we need to make sure that we work with legal to protect the URC and the City. He and the Executive Director will work together over the next two weeks with what we need on any specific items.

6. Update of 0 West Park Place

No Update. This item will be tabled until next month.

7. Financial Report

Chairman Evanko reviewed the reports for the Commissioners and answered any questions. They also discussed potential investment opportunities. Commissioner Fischer will work with Dr. Jackson on gathering banking rate information for the Commission.

8. Report of Executive Director or Assistant Director

Ms. Nadres stated she will defer her time for the other agenda items.

Chairman Evanko made a motion to go out of order on the agenda to item number 11. New Business with second from Commissioner Fischer. **Motion passed unanimously with Commissioners present.**

9. Committee Report(s)**a. Budget Committee****i. Review and Approval of FY 22-23**

No discussion.

b. Personnel Committee

No discussion.

10. Unfinished Business**a. Ratification of Resolution 2023-1 (100 Clinton Avenue Project)**

Commissioner Fischer made a motion to ratify Resolution 2023-1 (100 Clinton Avenue Project) with second from Commissioner Siladi. **Motion passed unanimously with Commissioners present.**

b. Update on 0 Park Place Parking Lot Revenue

Ms. Bowen stated the check has not been received.

c. Update on 160 Atlantic Street Proposal

This item was briefly discussed but will be tabled until next month.

d. Atlantic Street Town Center Mall Ramps

This item was briefly discussed but will be tabled until next month.

e. Disposal of mobile lavatory at Parcel 36

Chairman Evanko shared with the Commissioners that due to the state of disrepair, we should do something with it as we no longer need it.

f. Title Report for Stamford Town Center (Mall)

This item is tabled.

g. Date and Time for Commissioner Orientation/Overview

This item is tabled.

11. New Business

a. Election of Secretary/Treasurer

Chairman Evanko nominated Kenny Green for Secretary/Treasurer with second from Commissioner Siladi. Commissioner Green accepted the nomination.

Roll Call Vote:

Chairman Evanko: Aye

Commissioner Fischer: Aye

Commissioner Green: Abstain

Commissioner Siladi: Aye

Nomination passed 3-0-1

b. Next Meeting

i. Discussion-Next Meeting Agenda

ii. Confirmation-Next Regular Meeting (Thursday, March 9, 2023 at 5pm)

12. Adjournment

Chairman Evanko asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Fischer made the motion to adjourn with second from Commissioner Siladi at 6:48pm. **Motion passed unanimously with Commissioners present.**

With no further business to be discussed, the meeting was concluded.

Respectfully submitted,



Kenny Green

Secretary/Treasurer, Urban Redevelopment Commission