



CITY OF STAMFORD
URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Stamford Government Center-Stamford, Connecticut
Regular Meeting- Thursday, October 12, 2023

The City of Stamford Urban Redevelopment Commission, Office of Economic Development, held a **Regular Meeting, on Thursday, October 12, 2023, commencing at 5:14pm** via Zoom Meeting.

1. Call to Order

The meeting came to order at 5:14pm.

2. Roll Call

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

Commissioner(s) Absent: Fran Pastore

Commission Staff: Leah Kagan-Executive Director, and Theresa Bowen-Office Manager

Guest(s): Ralph Blessing, Mitch Kidd, Scott Lumby and Stephanie Odenath

3. Public Comment

None

4. Update on 0 West Park Place

Ms. Odenath reported that they are currently working through their own internal schedule with completing the zoning application package for the end of November as the goal. There have been no major modifications since the last round that was presented to the Commission. They are working through the final details, such as the large electrical requirements, water connections, where to put the transformer, finalizing the landscape, pedestrian walkway and the way cars would circulate.

5. Reading and Acceptance of Minutes

a. Approval of Minutes from Special Meeting September 13, 2023

Chairman Evanko asked if all Commissioners have read the minutes from the Special Meeting held on September 13, 2023. Commissioner Fischer made the motion to approve the minutes with second from Commissioner Siladi. **Motion passed unanimously with Commissioners present.**

6. Report of Executive Director

Ms. Kagan stated we'll continue to monitor the progress of 0 West Park Place. For our next meeting, hoping to share a succinct summary from Corporation Counsel regarding how the URC can distribute funds so that the Commission has guidance along with potential suggestions.

Chairman Evanko made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss employment related issues with second from Commissioner Green. All Commissioners present and Ms. Kagan entered Executive Session at 5:22pm

The Commissioners and Ms. Kagan exited Executive Session at 5:54pm. Chairman Evanko stated no motions or votes were held during executive session.

7. Committee Reports**a. Budget Committee****i. Nomination and Vote on Budget Committee**

It was confirmed that the budget committee consists of Chairman Evanko and Commissioner Green.

ii. Discuss and schedule committee meeting FY 23-24

No new update.

iii. Review Financial Reports

Commissioner Green reviewed the financial reports for the Commission.

b. Personnel Committee

Commissioner Fischer made a motion to approve Commissioner Siladi as a member of the personnel committee with second from Chairman Evanko. Motion passed unanimously with Commissioners present.

8. Unfinished Business**a. Disposition of Final Property (Parcel 36)**

Chairman Evanko stated perhaps we can do this at the same time as we're trying to find out what to do with the monies and Ms. Kagan agreed perhaps at the next meeting or the one after and bringing everyone up to speed.

New Business**b. Next Meeting****i. Discussion-Next Meeting Agenda**

Commissioner Fischer stated he will not be available for the next Commission meeting.

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

9. Adjournment

Chairman Evanko asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Fischer made the motion to adjourn with a second from Commissioner Green at 6:20pm. **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