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# CITY OF STAMFORD

# URBAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

# Stamford Government Center-Stamford, Connecticut Regular Meeting-Thursday, December 12, 2019

The Regular Meeting of the City of Stamford, Connecticut, Urban Redevelopment Commission was held on <u>Thursday, December 12, 2019 commencing at 4:37pm</u> in the Urban Redevelopment Commission Conference Room, 888 Washington Boulevard, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor, Stamford, Connecticut.

#### 1. Call to Order

Chairman Diamond called the meeting to order at 4:37pm.

#### 2. Roll Call

Commissioners Present: Mark Diamond, Stephen Fischer, James Huerta and Jonathan Winkel

Staff: Thomas Madden, Executive Director, Dr. Tommie Jackson, Assistant Director, Theresa Bowen, Office Manager

Guests: William Hennessey, Esq., Deborah Brancato, Mark Creedon, Peter Duncan, Grant McKiernan

Chairman Diamond asked for a motion to go out of order to item #5 on the agenda, moved by Commissioner Winkel. Motion passed unanimously.

#### 3. 677 Washington-William Hennessey Jr.

Mr. Hennessey presented the Commissioners with changes/confirmation needed for the Gateway Plan. The Stamford Washington Land LLC needs confirmation from the URC that the planned uses conform to the Plan.

Mr. Madden suggested that we hold a Public Meeting in January and that URC send a memo to Zoning Board with recommendations to overall site plan.

Commissioner Winkel made a motion to have a public hearing to hear this matter on January 23 as discussed, with second from Chairman Diamond. Motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Diamond set a break at 5:41pm. Meeting resumed at 5:50pm.

### 4. Mayor's Presentation

Due to the Mayor's schedule had to be rescheduled to later date and time.

# 5. Reading and Acceptance of Minutes

# Approval of minutes from Regular Meeting held on November 14, 2019

Chairman Diamond asked if all Commissioners have read the minutes from the Regular meeting held on November 14, 2019. Commissioner Fischer made a motion to approve the minutes, second by Commissioner Huerta. Motion passed unanimously.

# 6. Report of the Executive Director

- a. Parcel Quintard Place/Vets Park Sale\*
   Mr. Madden stated the City is not interested in purchasing the property. Chairman Diamond requested that Mr. Madden looking research leasing options.
- Park Square West III (0 West Park Place)\*
   Mr. Madden updated the Commissioners on the status of the project and the expired letter of intent.
- c. Food Truck Update
  Mr. Madden updated the Commissioners on the restroom trailer and stated that an updated budget will be presented at the January Meeting.

Additionally, Mr. Madden reviewed the Parcel Exhibit Map done by Redniss & Mead.

## 7. Committee Report

- a. Budget Committee
  - i. Financial Report (s)
     Commissioner Huerta gave a review of the financial reports.
  - ii. Investment Portfolio Report Commissioner stated that along with Staff will be scheduling for the investment bankers to report on the portfolios.
  - iii. Business Initiatives
- b. Personnel Committee No update.

## 8. Unfinished/Old Business

a. Audit of current URC Properties-

Dr. Jackson updated the Commissioners on the description of the URC properties as detailed on the map that was presented. Dr. Jackson reported that he has exhausted the search for any further URC properties.

#### 9. New Business

a. Review and Vote on 2020 Regular Meeting Calendar The Commissioners discussed changing the Bylaws in the future to include Committee Meeting in Article III-Meetings. Commissioner Winkel made a motion to have a Regular Meeting on January 9, 2020, and to vote on the Final calendar at that time with second from Commissioner Huerta. Motion passed unanimously.

#### b. Next Meeting

- i. Discussion of Next Meeting Agenda
- ii. Confirmation of Next Regular Meeting (Thursday, January 9, 2020 at 4:30pm)
- iii. Other

# 10. Adjournment

Chairman Diamond made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:14pm with second from Commissioner Winkel. Motion passed unanimously. With no further business to discuss, the meeting was concluded.

Respectfully submitted,

James "Jim" Huerta.

Secretary/Treasurer Urban Redevelopment Commission

#### Note:

\*All or portions of a subject may require discussion in Executive Session.