

**COLUMBIA CITY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MINUTES
JUNE 9, 2015**

The Columbia City Redevelopment Commission met in regular session with the following

members present: President Commissioner Carl Siler
Vice President Commissioner Kevin Snell
Commissioner Dr. Angela Leonard
Commissioner Ben Romine

Those absent: Secretary Commissioner Patricia Hatcher

Also in attendance: Ex-officio Member Stan Meyer
Community Development Director Jeff Walker
CCRDC Attorney Greg Hockemeyer
Administrative Assistant to the Mayor Martha Acres
Mayor Ryan Daniel

As the required Commissioners are not present to approve the **June 2, 2015 minutes, they are tabled** until the next regular scheduled meeting.

CCRDC Attorney Greg Hockemeyer informed the Commission the **gift deed for 213 W. VanBuren Street has been recorded and there will be one more tax bill**, due to the fact they didn't make the March 1st tax date deadline of its status.

Community Development Director Jeff Walker updated the Commission on the **demolition project of 213 W. VanBuren Street**. It had come to light, Kim Reiff did not apply for a permit from IDEM and the demolition was halted for approximately one week. Through discussion with Mr. Reiff, the permits were his responsibility, so the **final invoice should have \$2,100.00 subtracted from the total amount**.

CCRDC Hockemeyer informed the Commission he did have a conversation with Sue Beazley in reference to her invoice from Bingham Greenbaum Doll in the amount of \$10,000.00, and she stands firm the amount is justifiable. It is consensus of the Commission to **approve payment in the amount of \$10,000.00 to Bingham Greenbaum Doll for the professional services of Sue Beazley**.

Attorney Hockemeyer also stated from last month's meeting, Teresa Ladd requested the wording in the **façade grant application** be changed to **"require state licensed architect"**. It is the Commission's agreement they decided to change this, so Greg will make the necessary changes in the application.

Jeff Walker informed the Commission he did contact all the parties he originally requested proposals from on the property located at **306 W. VanBuren** Street and found that all of them are busy at this time. Mr. Walker did inform them of the 30 day extension which brings the deadline date to **9:00 AM, July 7, 2015. There will be a special meeting scheduled to receive and open the RFPs.**

CCRDC Attorney Greg Hockemeyer **introduced Resolution 2015-R3**, which requires the CCRDC to make a determination on budget year 2016 TIF revenues and notify overlapping taxing units of their intent of use. After some discussion, Commissioner Romine made a motion, which is seconded by Vice President Commissioner Snell; to **notify the overlapping taxing units the CCRDC intends to utilize all 2016 captured TIF revenue.** On call of the motion, all voted aye.

Martha Acres presented a proposal from William Simpson, Barts BBQ, **to purchase the 213 W. VanBuren property** where the building was demolished to place a permanent area for his food truck and provide a nice setting for people to sit, talk and eat. Mayor Daniel informed the Commission the part owner of Ace Teghtmeyer is interested in sprucing up this area with some trees and/or benches. Mayor Daniel also stated the City Clerk Treasurer would like part of the back lot to build a small maintenance garage for the storage of a few large items. Attorney Hockemeyer informed the Commission if they are selling this property, they need to go through the process of appraisals. Apparently, this lot has generated much interest for development. The Commission discussed different options on this property. Attorney Hockemeyer will draft an RFP for the CCRDC's consideration at the next regularly scheduled meeting. Attorney Hockemeyer would also like the Commission to consider **putting up a snow fence or something to discourage anyone from being on the property, recently demolished, during Old Settlers Week.**

Discussion evolved referencing the **use of the 306 W. VanBuren property for the Poor Jack Amusement individuals to park their living quarters during the Old Settlers Day festival.** After some discussion, Attorney Hockemeyer will draft a release of liability for Poor Jack to sign if they choose to use this area for their living quarters.

Mayor Daniel informed the Commission he has been approached by an individual who would like to paint murals throughout the downtown and will present their proposal at the meeting on either July 14 or August 11.

Commissioner Romine questioned the agreement with ETA's use of the northern half of the property at 306 W. VanBuren. He doesn't want to wait too long to discuss this issue. Stan Meyer stated he will bring this to the School Board's attention next week at their meeting. Attorney Hockemeyer will review the current agreement for any updates needed.

As all business was discussed, the CCRDC adjourned.

These minutes are respectfully submitted by Martha Acres, Administrative Assistant to the Mayor.