

COLUMBIA CITY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MINUTES

September 8, 2015

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

members present: Vice President Commissioner Kevin Snell
Commissioner Ben Romine
Secretary Commissioner Patricia Hatcher
Commissioner Dr. Angela Leonhard

Members absent: President Commissioner Carl Siler

Also in attendance: Mayor Ryan Daniel
CCRDC Attorney Greg Hockemeyer
Martha Acres, Administrative Assistant to the Mayor
Samara Qureshi, Administrative Assistant to the Mayor
Lori Shipman, Whitley County Economic Development Corporation

After reviewing **the August 11, 2015 minutes**, Commissioner Dr. Leonhard made a motion, which was seconded by Secretary Commissioner Patricia Hatcher, to **allow** the minutes as presented. On call of the vote, all voted aye.

CCRDC Attorney Hockemeyer, reported on the **213 West Van Buren RFP application**. After review of the application, there was no indication of price, whether to buy or sell the property. Mayor Daniel advised the Commission both the City of Columbia City and Bart's BBQ have interest in the property. Vice President Commissioner Kevin Snell asked for a motion to establish a committee for the purchase of 213 West Van Buren Street. The committee involves the following individuals: Secretary Commissioner Patricia Hatcher, Commissioner Dr. Angela Leonhard, CCRDC Attorney Greg Hockemeyer, Community Development Director Jeff Walker, City Clerk Treasurer Rosie Coyle, and Troy Gawthrop, Maintenance. Commissioner Romine made a motion to **approve the committee**, seconded by Commissioner Dr. Leonhard. On call of the vote, all voted aye.

Mayor Ryan Daniel transitioned the discussion to the **Request of Use of 306 West Van Buren**. Two parties have requested use of the vacant lot for parking, for upcoming events in October and November 2015. Commissioner Romine favored to open the parking lot for these events, but proposed to put barricades on the west side of the parking lot, to protect Nick Miller's building. Mayor Daniel will gather more information on obtaining the barricades. CCRDC Attorney Hockemeyer will talk with the Van Buren, addressing the upcoming events, along with the parking proposal. Vice President Commissioner Snell requested a motion to draft an agreement, for the three separate events, requesting to use the parking space at 306 West Van

Buren. Commissioner Hatcher made a motion **to draft an agreement**, seconded by Commissioner Romine. On call of the vote, all voted aye.

Lori Shipman informed the Commissioners on the progress of the Cardinal Grain Property. Lori is working with Jim Alvarez, from SME, to put together a proposal for an updated phase one of the building.

As all business was discussed, the meeting adjourned.

These minutes are respectfully submitted by Samara Qureshi, Administrative Assistant to the Mayor.