

COLUMBIA CITY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MINUTES

December 13, 2016

The Columbia City Redevelopment Commission met in a special session with the following

Members present: Commissioner Scott Gates
Secretary Commissioner Patricia Hatcher
Commissioner Dr. Angela Leonhard

Members absent: President Commissioner Carl Siler

Also in attendance: Jeff Walker, Redevelopment Coordinator for the City
Mayor Ryan Daniel
CCRDC Attorney Greg Hockemeyer

The minutes from October 28, 2016 were passed, motioned by Commissioner Scott Gates seconded by Commissioner Secretary Patricia Hatcher. On call of the vote, all voted aye. Minutes from the special meeting 11/3/2016 were passed, motioned by Commissioner Dr. Angela Leonhard seconded by Secretary Commissioner Patricia Hatcher. On call of the vote, all voted aye. Minutes from 11/8/2016 were passed, motioned by Commissioner Dr. Angela Leonhard seconded by Secretary Commissioner Patricia Hatcher. On call of the vote, all voted aye.

Lori Shipman gave an update on the **Cardinal Grain** comfort letter. Lori indicated that the letter was drafted pending attachments of some maps from GIS. Lori explained she is having trouble getting them. She is going to get some help with those and get them turned in. The letter will be complete after that.

CCRDC Attorney Greg Hockemeyer spoke about the time constraints on the **TIF timeline**. He explained there is not an immediate need to create a new TIF, because the grant has not been awarded yet for the apartment project. CCRDC Attorney Greg Hockemeyer explained it can be tabled until March when the commission knows if the grant was awarded or not.

Metronot came and presented to the commission. Metronet explained that they are very excited to come to Columbia City and offer fiber optic internet. Currently the internet service being offered in the community is low quality. They spoke about the high quality of fiber optic internet and the speed in comparison to what is on the market now. The company also spoke about a new type of TIF being created. This TIF has no geographical lines only fiber lines. The

type of TIF takes about three months to set up and some firms are becoming very skilled at creating them quickly, efficiently, and correctly. They explained they would pay for the bond so the city would have not financial loss if something did not work out. The group seemed very interested in fiber optic internet. As it would not only help business, but local schools as well. The group agreed to think about it and discuss it after some time.

There was a bill from Umbaugh that needed approved for services on the current TIFs for \$2755.00. Commissioner Dr. Angela Leonhard motioned to approved it, Secretary Commissioner Patricia Hatcher seconded it. On call of the vote, all voted aye.

As all business was discussed, the meeting adjourned.

These Minutes are respectfully submitted by Theresa Green, Administrative Assistant to the Mayor.