

**COLUMBIA CITY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MINUTES
JUNE 2, 2015**

The Columbia City Redevelopment **Commission met to open and review the Requests for Proposals for the 306 W. VanBuren Street property** with the following **members present:**

Vice President Commissioner Kevin Snell
Commissioner Ben Romine
Secretary Commissioner Patricia Hatcher

Those absent: President Commissioner Carl Siler
Commissioner Dr. Angela Leonhard

Also in attendance: Mayor Ryan Daniel
Ex-Officio Member Stan Meyer
Martha Acres, Administrative Assistant to the Mayor
Jeff Walker, Community Development Director
Lori Shipman, WCEDC

Jeff Walker sent sixteen (16) invitations out for **Request for Proposals on the property located at 306 W. VanBuren Street**. No RFPs have been received. Mr. Walker also stated he did a follow up on the invitations on May 26th. After some discussion, Commissioner Romine made a motion, which is seconded by Secretary Commissioner Hatcher, to **extend the deadline for RFPs for 30 days**. On call of the motion, all voted aye. Commissioner Romine is concerned about the ETA parking on the north lot. Mr. Meyer stated the sooner they make a decision on the parking, the better, so the school will be able to determine where extra parking will occur during school.

Jeff Walker introduced a letter he drafted to the Whitley County Assessor asking for the property located **at 213 W. VanBuren Street be changed to a “tax exempt” status** and is requesting the Commission’s permission to release it. On the motion of Secretary Commissioner Hatcher and second of Commissioner Romine, **to authorize Mr. Walker to submit this letter to the Whitley County Assessor’s Office**, all voted aye.

On the motion of Secretary Commissioner Hatcher and second of Commissioner Romine, to **approve the minutes of the May 12, 2015 meeting**, all voted aye.

As all business was discussed, the meeting adjourned.

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