

## **COLUMBIA CITY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MINUTES**

**April 2019**

**Members present:** President Commissioner Carl Siler  
Vice President Commissioner Patricia Hatcher  
Secretary Commissioner Dr. Angela Leonhard  
Stan Meyer, Ex-officio member  
Commissioner Scott Gates

**Members absent:** Commissioner Tad Varga

**Also in attendance:** Mayor Ryan Daniel  
Community Development Director Jeff Walker  
CCRDC Attorney Greg Hockemeyer  
Lori Shipman

The **minutes** from March 2019 were approved. Motion was made by Scott Gates, seconded by Patricia Hatcher. On call of the vote, all voted aye.

**RFP for 314-316 W. Van Buren:** Members from the RDC met with the bidder, and a counter offer was presented. The terms of the counteroffer were explained by Greg Hockemeyer (see attached), and a motion was made by Angela Leonhard to approve the terms, seconded by Scott Gates. On the call of the vote, all voted aye.

**Façade Grant Payments:** Lori presented three approved façade grants that still need payment: the Bloom Gates Shipman & Whiteleather building, the United Way building, and the Arnold Project. On the call of the vote, all voted aye to approve the payments.

**Façade Program Revisions:** Over the course of a few meetings, it was decided that the grant for the program will be reduced from \$5,000 to \$3,000. The terms of a larger grant programs are still being decided. Lori requested one more meeting to finalize changes before the May meeting.

**LML:** Greg and Scott appeared before the Property Tax Assessment Board of Appeals, and the board recommended that the RDC be granted a waiver of tax liability. Next, the request will go to the Columbia City Common Council and Department of Local Government Finance.

**New Reporting Duties:** Greg informed the commission that because of new legislation, the RDC is to give an annual presentation to overlying tax districts. He will send letters to the districts to invite representatives to the presentation, which will take place during the May RDC meeting. Another requirement is that a member of the RDC attend a meeting with a tax district if requested.

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