

MINUTES

URBAN REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING OF APRIL 27, 2017

- Call to Order: The meeting of the Urban Redevelopment Agency of April 27, 2017, was called to order by Chairman Frank Brandon at 5:00 p.m.
- Present: Chairman Frank Brandon and Board Members Pamela Lake, Marlene Larson, Don Wright, Naeem Thobhani, and Lois Wright.
- Also present were Mayor David Lockhart, Interim City Manager, Chief Dwayne Hobbs; Director Finance, Mike Blandenburg; Director Public Works, Jeff Eady; Councilmembers Sandra Bagley and Allan Mears.
- Comment Period: LaWanda Folami, Lloyd Drive, Forest Park, commented on the vacant buildings and leasing them, army base projects and the Farmers Market landscaping and development.
- Approval of Minutes: The minutes of the March 23, 2017, meeting were submitted for approval. Ms. Wright made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Thobhani. Voting for the motion was unanimous.
- Announcements and Comments: Mr. Brandon discussed the progression of properties in the URA to include a one (1) million sq. ft. building. We have the first 850,000 sq. ft. building completed by David Welch. All those to the left of that have been razed and the bricks have been fixed. Waken Co. is in and they will be opening pretty soon. Mr. Brandon stated that we have a high-tech Swiss company coming into the developers partners building. We are constantly trying to improve the historic buildings. We renovated 301 to some degree. It doesn't have water but it does have electricity and gas. Mr. Brandon stated that we have only budgeted for \$8k for movie productions and we've already made \$115k. The Walking Dead will be prepping to do part of Episode 1 for the new year and then all of Episodes 2 and 3 for the new year at Fort Gillem. This could mean between another \$60k to \$90k to the URA before the end of the Fiscal Year. Mr. Brandon stated that we also have another movie coming in after that and then another one after that. We also have a gentleman that wants to stage a World War II scenario with tanks in the woods. Darkest

Minds just finished filming and was a \$100m movie. It will be out in about four (4) months. Mr. Brandon discussed the current Filming Fee Schedule (Daily Rates).

Old Business: Mr. Brandon stated that Atlanta Gas Light had previously offered \$2/linear ft. for access to install a high pressure gas line parallel to Anvil Block Road from the Kroger entrance West to Rateree Drive in Lake City. After negotiations, Atlanta Gas Light offered \$12/linear ft. which raises it from \$10k to \$60k plus Atlanta Gas Light will pay all attorney fees.

Ms. Lake made a motion to accept the bid for \$60k for the easement plus attorney fees from Waste Management and accept that proposal. Ms. Larson seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous.

New Business: Mr. Blandenburg discussed the Draft Proposed Operating Budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018.

Mr. Brandon stated that we've gotten a design firm for the engineering design for sewage connection for historic buildings. They are a minority firm which falls in line with some of our earlier tenants that we would try and involve as many minority firms as possible. The design firm has given us an estimate for \$8700. Mr. Brandon stated that there is no sewage connection to the historic buildings. There is no sewage connection to historic building 101.

Ms. Lake made a motion to approve the engineering design for sewage connection for the historic buildings at the cost of \$8700. Ms. Wright seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous for the motion.

Open Discussion: None

Next Meeting: May 25, 2017, @ 696 Main Street

Adjournment: Mr. Thobhani made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Wright. Voting for the motion was unanimous.