

Urban Redevelopment Agency of the City of Forest Park
Board Meeting
February 17, 2016
Minutes

A regular meeting of the Urban Redevelopment Agency of the City of Forest Park was held on Wednesday, February 17, 2016, at the Forest Park City Hall, 745 Forest Parkway, Forest Park, GA 30297.

Board Members: Frank Brandon; Pamela Lake; Marlene Larson; and, Lois Wright.

Staff, Legal Counsel and Others: Fred Bryant, Al Wiggins, Destiny Washington, and David Welch.

Frank Brandon, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. There was a quorum present. The following matters were addressed:

Approval of Minutes:

Lois Wright made a motion to approve the minutes of the December 16th meeting, seconded by Pamela Lake. The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

Chairman's Announcements and Comments:

Frank Brandon welcomed Marlene Larson to the Board of Directors.

Executive Director's Update:

None.

Old Business:

Frank Brandon indicated that the URA Capital Budget and Account Status item and the Landscape and Monument Bid item are not ready for consideration by the Board. He requested a motion to table those items until the next regular meeting. Marlene Larson made a motion to table those two items until the March meeting, seconded by Lois Wright. After discussion, the Marlene Larson and Lois Wright voted to approve the motion, Pamela Lake abstaining.

Annette Pipkins and the Acsential Team provided an update on the Communications Plan. Stakeholder questionnaires and two focus groups have provided good information about how best to communicate information about the Gillem Logistics Center. A Town Hall meeting scheduled for February 20th has been postponed until March 12th primarily due to the unavailability of key elected officials. Pamela Lake requested that the meeting be held at City Hall and that Acsential make personal contact with elected officials to ensure their presence. Acsential will provide a draft of the Communications Plan at the regular March meeting.

Fred Bryant previously provided the Board copies of a Resolution exempting Georgia Power's substation from the Master Declarations and a First Amendment to the Purchase and Sale Agreement whereby Georgia Power increased the purchase price to \$230,500. The increase in price will enable the URA to pay the CCWA \$3000 toward water and sewer infrastructure and the GLC Property Owners Association 15 years of possible assessments, valued at \$22,500. He indicated that the Development Partners have no objection to approving the resolution and amendment. Mr. Al Wiggins indicated that the City has no objection and that the alternative to approval would be the City of some other entity being the power provider for the GLC. Frank Brandon indicated his support. Pamela Lake made a motion to approve the Resolution and to authorize the Chairman to execute the Amendment and other necessary documents, seconded by Marlene Larson. After discussion, the Board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

New Business:

Forest Park 360 will be discussed at the next regular meeting in March.

Fred Bryant previously provided the Board a list of Key Actions for 2015. This document and a Finance Report will be presented to Mayor and Council at a meeting in March. This is required by state law.

Fred Bryant previously provided the Board a copy of email traffic with the OEA Project Manager requesting possible extension of the Environmental Consultant funding for one additional year. Pamela Lake made a motion to authorize Fred to prepare the necessary grant amendment request, seconded by Lois Wright. The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

Open Discussion:

Fred Bryant requested permission to include as an agenda item for the March meeting the adding of a Public Comment Period to future meeting agendas. Frank Brandon approved the request.

The next regular meeting will be March 23, 2016, at 5:00 p.m.

Adjournment:

A motion was made by Lois Wright to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Pamela Lake. The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Recorded By:

Fred Bryant, URA
Executive Director

Approved:

March 23, 2016

Fred E. Bryant
Executive Director