

**ROBBINSDALE
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 2020
VIA WEBEX**

CALL TO ORDER:

1. The Robbinsdale Economic Development Authority (REDA) meeting was called to order by President Blonigan at 7:00 p.m.

MICROPHONE CHECK:

2. Complete.

ROLL CALL:

3. Members Present: Selman, Rogan, Backen, Murphy, President Blonigan
Members Absent: None
Staff Present: Marcia Glick, Executive Director
John Tingley, Assistant to the City Manager/City Clerk
Rick Pearson, Community Development Coordinator

#4A-B CONSENT AGENDA:

4. **MOTION** by Member Selman, seconded by Member Rogan to approve and place on file the Consent Agenda Items #4A-B:
 - A. Motion to approve and order placed on file minutes of the following:
 - Regular Meeting Minutes of May 12, 2020;
 - B. Motion to approve **Disbursement Requests** for period ending June 9, 2020;

ROLL CALL:
AYE: Selman, Rogan, Backen, Murphy, President Blonigan
NAY: None
The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

#5: CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING: 3359 Halifax Ave N – Disposition of Lot

5. Pearson presented the staff report for this lot that is priced at \$55,000. Review the EDA performance standards with all inquiries. Stated that the Board discussed other housing styles but no specific style was identified. No inquiries have been received.
6. Member Backen stated that he would be flexible to other home style options but does not want to create barriers.
7. Member Selman addressed signage on the lot and would like to see updated, eye-catching 'For Sale' signs as well as additional marketing; board members concurred.
8. Glick stated that more information about the EDA could be put out on social media and the weekly city news.

9. President Blonigan opened the public hearing. Tingley replied no one is in attendance to address this item.
11. **MOTION** by Member Rogan, seconded by Member Selman to continue the public hearing to 7 pm, July 14, 2020.
ROLL CALL:
AYE: Selman, Rogan, Backen, Murphy, President Blonigan.
NAY: None
The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

#8A: NEW BUSINESS: 3917 Vera Cruz – Encroachment Agreement

12. Pearson presented the staff report for this lot purchased by Beckmann Homes. Pearson presented a survey identifying the location of the concrete pad. The surveyor did not note the concrete pad when the lot was surveyed last winter. EDA Attorney suggested an encroachment agreement be executed.
13. Member Rogan asked if the slab was all concrete. Pearson replied yes it is concrete and was probably poured at the same time the garage was built.
14. President Blonigan asked if the surveyor will redo the survey affecting the legal description to be redone by the surveyor. Pearson replied that our Engineering Department wrote the legal description and Staff does not think the lot needs to be resurveyed.
15. **MOTION** by Member Murphy, seconded by Member Backen to authorize the Executive Director to execute and encroachment agreement for 3917 Vera Cruz Ave N being prepared by the REDA Attorney.
ROLL CALL:
AYE: Selman, Rogan, Backen, Murphy, President Blonigan
NAY: None
The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.

#10: Information Only: Project Updates

16. No action required.

#11: REDA General Communications

17. Pearson reported a brief conversation with Bill Beard. Birdtown Flats is almost finished. He would like to see the finished landscaping.
18. Member Murphy reported a Zoom call with Captain Foley, City Manager, 2 members of the Human Rights Commission, 2 members of the Citizens League and one resident Kelly Groehler. The purpose of the call was to connect Citizens League representatives with the Human Rights Commissioners and other city representatives for their possible participation in guiding discussion after the George Floyd incident. Discussion was very productive. There will be a Human Rights Commission meeting on June 11 and June 18.

19. Glick added that just the Mayor will attend the meeting on June 11 at 7 pm. The mayor is the only Council Member participating in the discussion. Residents can call in to listen to the meeting. We will learn more at the City Council meeting on June 16 where there will be a report regarding the June 11 meeting. Information is on the Green Sheet and on the website.
20. Member Backen requested that this information be added to the Council agenda that residents can watch and listen to meetings via CCX. Tingley replied that residents can call in ahead of time about anything on the agenda or they can send him an email that they want to speak at the meeting.
21. Member Backen asked that information be added to the agenda that the meeting can be watched as well as listened to on the website.
22. President Blonigan asked if we see what's going on or do we just listen via CCX. Glick replied that when an individual calls in, they just hear the meeting.

#12: ADJOURNMENT:

23. **MOTION** by Member Backen, seconded by Member Selman to adjourn the meeting at 7:23 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

AYE: Selman, Rogan, Backen, Murphy, President Blonigan

NAY: None

The vote was unanimous and the motion carried.



Marcia Glick, Recording Secretary



William A. Blonigan, REDA President