

**ROBBINSDALE
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, August 15, 2017
COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

CALL TO ORDER:

1. The Robbinsdale Economic Development Authority (REDA) meeting was called to order by President Backen at 8:15 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

2. Members Present: Selman, Murphy, Blonigan, President Backen
Members Absent: Rogan
Staff Present: Marcia Glick, Executive Director
Rick Pearson, Community Development Coordinator

**CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARINGS A: 3905 and 3912 Quail Avenue North –
Disposition of Land**

3. Pearson reviewed the staff report.
4. Chuck Beckmann, 15827 Madison Street, Ham Lake: He is just looking at basic concept approval for the homes. He clarified the upstairs at 3912 Quail is planned to be two bedrooms and reiterated that it is state code to have an egress window in the basement and that the room could be a future bedroom.
5. Member Blonigan asked Mr. Beckman to indicate where the second upstairs bedroom would be located.
6. Glick talked about the process and that the REDA will need certain specifics on minimums before the city signs a purchase agreement and lots can't be advertised until a purchase agreement has been signed.
7. Member Selman says he looks at REDA's role as developing these lots to improve Robbinsdale's housing inventory for the future. He believes as is, the house proposed at 3905 Quail is closer to meeting that goal than the proposed house for 3912 Quail. He stated there should be a three bedroom minimum, rough-in lower level, exterior finishes should be close.
8. Mr. Beckmann noted that vinyl siding comes in five different grades and that vinyl may be appropriate in some cases.
9. Member Backen suggested that Mr. Beckmann work with the Community Development Coordinator to develop a list of items REDA typically looks for.
10. Mr. Beckmann stated there is about a \$10,000 difference in cost between using Vinyl and LP siding.
11. President Backen opened the public hearing for lots at 3905 and 3912 Quail.

12. Member Blonigan **MOVED**, seconded by Member Selman to close the public hearing for the lot at 3905 Quail Avenue North and direct staff to negotiate a \$50,000 lot price or a \$40,000 lot price with high end siding or something in between depending on the amenities in the house and quality of the siding and to continue the public hearing for the lot at 3912 Quail Avenue until the September 12, 2017 REDA Meeting. **The vote was 4-0, Rogan absent.**

OLD BUSINESS A: Update on Proposed Homes for Robbins Beach Lots 1 and 2

13. Pearson reviewed the staff report.

14. The authority voiced no concerns.

ADJOURNMENT:

15. **MOTION** by Member Murphy, seconded by Member Selman to adjourn the meeting at 8:53 p.m.



John Tingley, Recording Secretary



Pat Backen, President