



Community Redevelopment Advisory Board Minutes

December 10, 2020 at 12:00 pm.

Hybrid Meeting

Present

Board Members: Linda Washington, Teri Gagliano, John Caron

Staff Members: Peter Moore, Kyle Dudgeon

Absent

Lambrine Macejewski, Carol Rosenfelt, Christine Girand, Sarah Grafton

Meeting called to order

Staff called the meeting to order at 12:06 pm. Staff outlined continued adjustments to meetings due to the pandemic, and stated that future discussions will be held virtually. Staff also stated that existing chairperson Lambrine Macejewski has resigned. The board will vote on a new chair at a future meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Approval of minutes deferred to next meeting due to lack of quorum.

New Business Items

1. Staff Updates

CRA Assistant Division Director, Kyle Dudgeon, began the conversation by providing an update relative to several initiatives underway by the CRA. All of which are included in the agenda item's title sheet. Mr. Dudgeon discussed first the pedestrian improvement between Garfield and Canton Avenue. He highlighted improved pedestrian access, tree mitigation, and dumpster enclosures as part of the project. Discussion ensued regarding the enclosure color and location.

Mr. Dudgeon also discussed the downtown enhancements project, and stated staff has successfully coordinated the installation of 18 new trash and recycling cans within the downtown. The install reduces the number of designs within the downtown to create a more homogenous look. He also stated that based on board approval, staff has enlisted a contractor to repair/refurbish 114 streetlights within the district.

The New York Avenue streetscape project was also discussed. Staff gave a brief background on timelines and project status. Mr. Dudgeon highlighted the intersection of New York and Fairbanks Avenue stating improvements associated with turn lanes and queuing distances had been the cause of the delay on the project, but it was now corrected. The project is set to go out for bid to procure materials.

Mr. Dudgeon stated that the next CRA Agency meeting is currently slated for January. The boards recommendations of the Central Park stage and restroom as well as discussions on Shade Park will be brought forward.

He also closed the staff update by overviewing the CRA Holiday Window Contest program.

2. CRAAB Meeting Calendar 2021

Assistant Division Director, Kyle Dudgeon shared dates for board meetings in 2021. He thanked them for their volunteerism, effort, and flexibility and is looking forward to working with them in the coming year.

Public Comment

No public comment was made.

Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 12:35 pm.

Chairperson

Board Liaison, Kyle Dudgeon