

CITY OF AUSTIN, INDIANA REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Minutes for the Regular Meeting of June 22, 2022

The Austin Redevelopment Commission met in a regular meeting on Wednesday, June 22, 2022, beginning at 8:30 AM.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND CONFIRMATION OF QUOROM

- a. Commissioners Buchanan, Goodin, Alexander, and Morris are present.

Commissioners White and Mullins are absent. Quorum established. Attorney Joshua Stigdon present.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. June 22, 2022, regular and special meeting minutes approved as presented 3 to 0 on motion by Commissioner Goodin and second by Commissioner Alexander.

3. FINANCIAL MATTERS

- a. Fund Report is reviewed and accepted as presented.
- b. Claims approved as presented, with exception to any invoices that are not pertinent to the ARC, 3 to 0 on motion by Commissioner Goodin and second by Commissioner Alexander.

4. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- a. President Buchanan provides update on City Hall project. Commission authorizes expenditures for environmental and consultant studies not to exceed \$12,500 to explore the feasibility of the proposed location for a new city hall structure 3 to 0 on motion by Commissioner Alexander and second by Commissioner Goodin.

5. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- a. Housing

- i. President Buchanan updates on historic house on Church St. and status of improvements. Darcie Goodin has volunteered to assist the Commission with the project and provides update of her involvement. Architect to review the structure and give an estimate on the work that needs to be done to the structure.

6. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Infrastructure investment for Audrey/Linden Subdivision

- i. Approval of Audrey/Linden Design and Cost Projection

1. Commission members discuss cost estimates on the Audrey roadway. City Engineer Eberenz addresses option of encapsulating the creek. Engineer Eberenz addresses issues with DNR and Army Corp. and delays that will result to the project if the Commission proceeds with encapsulating the creek. Commission members discuss with Mayor Hawkins and Engineer on costs and timelines.
 2. Commission approves project layout of two separate twenty foot roadways with curbing on each side and for Engineer Eberenz to prepare cost estimate to encapsulate the creek by a vote of 3 to 0 on motion by Commissioner Alexander and second by Commissioner Goodin.

- ii. RES Contract – Environmental Study Audrey/Linden Creek Impact

1. Commission authorizes payment of RES Contract in an amount not to exceed \$4,100 by a vote of 3 to 0 on motion by Commissioner Alexander and second by Commissioner Goodin.

b. Selling of ARC Owned Lots:

- i. Commission authorizes Attorney Stigdon to prepare offering sheet for the sale of Commission owned properties by a vote of 3 to 0 on motion by Commissioner Alexander and second by Commissioner Goodin.

c. USDA Recommendations for Communities

- i. Attorney Stigdon provides update that City Council passed ordinance creating Historic Preservation Commission. President Buchanan provides update of the discussions on “branding” for the city. Commission members discuss branding ideas and possible designs for the city mural.

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. Parks Board – Audrey Lane/Park Entrance

- i. Parks Board is represented by members JD Buchanan and Ishmael White. Parks Board requests the Commission to consider connecting Audrey Lane and Park Street so that there will be a second entrance to the park directly from Highway 31. Commission members discuss the pros and cons of using Audrey as a second entrance to the park.
- ii. Commission authorizes City Engineer to prepare plans and cost estimates to connect Audrey Linden and Park Street as a 20’ roadway subject to consent by City Council that it be used by a roadway and if Council does not consent to a roadway but does agree to a walking path, Commission will pay for block barriers and an entrance sign by a vote of 3 to 0 on motion by Commissioner Goodin and second by Commissioner Alexander.

8. OTHER BUSINESS

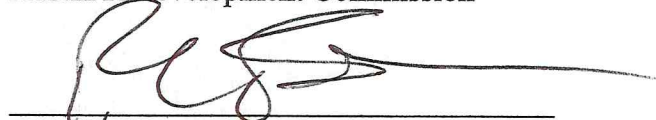
9. NEXT REGULAR MEETING: July 27, 2022, at 8:00 AM.

10. ADJOURNMENT

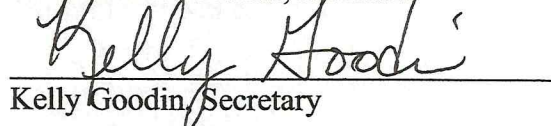
a. The regular meeting was adjourned at 10:26 AM.

APPROVED on August 24, 2022, by a vote of 3 to 0 - 2

Austin Redevelopment Commission



Richard L. Buchanan, President



Kelly Goodin, Secretary