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**DOWNTOWN URBAN RENEWAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
Redmond Fire Station, 341 Dogwood Avenue  
**Monday, November 9, 2009**  
**5:00 – 7:00 PM**

**Agenda**

		MEETING OBJECTIVES	
<b>DURAC MEMBERS</b>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Update on Centennial Park / Façade Improvement Program</li> <li>• Public Parking Lot Redesign and Cost Estimates</li> <li>• Expanding the Boundary of the Downtown Urban Renewal District</li> </ul>
		PROPOSED AGENDA	
		TIME	ITEM
	Margie Sellers Chair	5:00 PM	CALL TO ORDER / INTRODUCTIONS
			DISCUSSION / ACTION ITEMS
	Krista Beale Vice-Chair	5:05 PM	A. August 10, 2009 Meeting Minutes ( <i>Exhibit A</i> ) <i>Action Required: Approval</i>
	Tory Allman	5:10 PM	B. Project Updates - Centennial Park / Façade Program <i>Action Required: No Action</i>
	Steven Boothroyd	5:25 PM	C. Public Parking Lot Redesign and Costs Estimates <i>Action Required: Recommendation to move forward with RFP</i>
	Craig Ladkin		
	Marty McNamee	6:00 PM	D. Expanding the Boundary of the Downtown Urban Renewal District <i>Action Required: Presentation and Discussion</i>
	Carol Nelson		
	Ken Streater	6:45 PM	LIAISON COMMENTS
	Rachel Winkler	6:50 PM	CITIZEN COMMENTS
		6:55 PM	STAFF COMMENTS - Staffing for Urban Renewal
		7:00 PM	ADJOURN

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## **DOWNTOWN URBAN RENEWAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Meeting Minutes

Monday, August 10, 2009 5:00 PM

Redmond Fire Station Training Room, 341 Dogwood Ave

**ADVISORY MEMBERS PRESENT:** Chair Margie Dawson, Vice Chair Krista Beale, Craig Ladkin, Steven Boothroyd, Carol Nelson, Ken Streater, Rachel Winkler

**CITY STAFF PRESENT:** Interim Community Development Director Heather Richards; Public Works Director Chris Doty

**CITY COUNCIL LIASION:** Camden King

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Shirlee Evans; Trish Pinkerton

*(Scribe MD's Note: These minutes were created from an audio recording.)*

### **CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS**

A quorum being present, Chair Dawson called the meeting to order at approximately 5:13 PM.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

Chair Dawson requested that a correction be made to the May 11, 2009 minutes in that she did not say that the Oregon grape is ugly. After discussion it was determined that Ms. McNamee made the comment. **Ms. Beale made a motion to approve the May 11, 2009 meeting minutes as amended; Mr. Streater seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

### **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

#### **Downtown Construction Projects**

Public Works Director Chris Doty gave an update on the 5<sup>th</sup> Street construction project. Stimulus funds and a house bill that recently passed have been instrumental in providing funding for reconstructing the roads. Mr. Doty briefly recapped the stimulus package that was received after the bill was signed by President Obama. Redmond was able to get 5<sup>th</sup> Street funded through that mechanism. Projects were required to begin quickly with no right-of-way acquisition or environmental concerns. 6<sup>th</sup> Street had too many obstacles to qualify for the funding. The focus was on replacing the pavement.

There is a mile of roadway with a new 12-inch waterline. There will be storm water connections and curb extensions from Glacier to Black Butte. There are five or six different styles of sidewalk. Trees are not included in the bid packet but there are locations created for them. The game plan is to use 22 of the trees originally bid for 6<sup>th</sup> Street and currently held in storage in the 5<sup>th</sup> Street project.

The bids came in remarkably low. The paving piece has been approved but the full reconstruction has not yet been approved. A local engineering firm is being used for the project. The project will be completely finished by June 30, 2010. Street lighting was not incorporated due to timing and budget.

There was a discussion about where the stopping point for construction will be in the core area. There is approximately a two block section of Downtown that would not benefit at this time from new paver strips unless the appropriate size conduit is installed simultaneously. The street light system as it currently exists may need to be retrofitted.

Deschutes to Jackpine on 6<sup>th</sup> Street is the scope of paving. House Bill 2001 raised gas tax and title and registration fees to help pay for road improvements, providing \$5 million, spearheaded by politician Chris Tefler, plus \$1 local funds. Last week, Senator Wyden was able to get an additional \$800,000 in a house bill for finishing out 6<sup>th</sup> Street. This also results in extension of the demonstration project limits.

This particular investment will focus on quality since the previous funding focused on quantity. The signaling systems need to be updated with pedestrian buttons and with technology used for the fire department and timing. Construction timing is up in the air because the State is not sure when funding will be released; Federal funds are forthcoming. Both sources of funding are transportation related but funds may be used for aesthetics. There was discussion about the "intimacy" of the core of Downtown.

Mr. Doty was thanked for attending the meeting and it was decided to make the topic of discussion an agenda item for the next meeting.

### **Façade Renovation/Rehabilitation Project**

Interim Community Development Director Heather Richards passed out a spreadsheet of those business owners that have been approached for façade improvements. A commitment is needed before September 30, 2009. The City sent out a letter but soon will be meeting with the business owners. Additional improvement opportunities are being allowed for businesses that have previously participated.

It was shared that a local coffee shop has recently removed old tile and painted their store front.

The DURAC façade improvement program allows up to \$4000 with a 10 percent match from the property owner, which can include the costs of sign permits or other permits.

### **Centennial Park**

The bid for Centennial Park came in about \$700,000 below the estimate. The scope of work will include most of the infrastructure being done prior to winter, and then early spring the hard scape and landscape will be done. The trees will be procured as soon as possible and stored so they climaticize and continue to grow through the winter.

### **6<sup>th</sup> Street Improvement Project**

Ms. Richards distributed a handout with an example of storm water improvements. The merchants have commented that the customers are pleased with the improvements taking place Downtown.

### **URBAN RENEWAL PLAN SPOTLIGHT – The Dalles**

Ms. Richards wants to provide resources for reference for DURAC members. She provided a marketing brochure from The Dalles, minutes from one of the meetings, and a scope of the project which is similar to Redmond due to the amount of infrastructure that was needed. Redevelopment took place in the second phase. The Dalles also has a façade improvement project similar to Redmond's. The Dalles had a progressive marketing approach. Several years ago The Dalles urban renewal plan was not approved and The Dalles had to re-approach the community for support.

Ms. Richards also commented that the new City Manager has a lot of experience with redevelopment projects.

### **LIAISON COMMENTS**

Councilor King reported that the Redmond Development Commission has passed through City Council as a new commission. Councilor King described the intent and function of the commission. The focus will be on capital and commercial development opportunities. There is no funding allocated to the commission at this time.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS** (None)

**STAFF COMMENTS**

Holly Howell's last day with the City is August 31, 2009.

The City Manager position has been offered and accepted. Ms. Dawson represented DURAC on the selection committee. David Brandt has a Bachelor's Degree in Economics, a Master's Degree in Urban Planning; he has a law degree and has practiced law as a City attorney. He has also been an Assistant City Manager in his community. He has also been a Planning Commissioner in the community where he lives.

The Downtown Dollars program has officially ended.

**ADJOURN**

Chair Dawson adjourned the meeting at approximately 6:28 PM.

APPROVED BY THE DOWNTOWN URBAN RENEWAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND SIGNED BY ME THIS \_\_\_\_\_ DAY OF \_\_\_\_\_ 2009.

ATTEST:

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Margie Dawson, Chair

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Heather Richards,  
Interim Community Development Director