

Rahway Redevelopment Agency

MINUTES Regular Meeting February 6, 2019 6:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:34 pm in the Municipal Council Chamber.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETINGS ACT

This meeting has been advertised and posted in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioners, officials, and public attendees saluted to the flag.

ROLL CALL

On a call of the roll the following officials were present:

Armando Sanchez, Commissioner

Rodney Farrar, Commissioner

Dorian Timmons, Commissioner

Mary Gustofson, Commissioner

Brittany Hale, Commissioner

Timothy Nash, Commissioner

The following official was absent: Commissioner Dalmau

Chairman Sanchez opened the meeting with the regulations, Pledge of Allegiance and reading of the agenda into the record. The following action took place:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

*The minutes of the following meetings shall be moved, seconded, and then adopted by roll call vote:
January 16, 2019 Reorganization meeting*

Commissioner	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Dalmau						X
Gustofson			X			
Hale			X			
Nash			X			
Timmons		X	X			
Farrar	X		X			
Sanchez			X			

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION #13-19; RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE TERMINATION OF CERTAIN PARKING AND EASEMENT AGREEMENTS AND THE EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT THERETO

Commissioner	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Dalmau						X
Gustofson			X			
Hale		X	X			
Nash	X		X			
Timmons			X			
Farrar			X			
Sanchez			X			

TREASURER'S REPORT

Attached. The treasurer was absent and there was a question regarding the report from a Chairman Sanchez. The report was tabled until the next meeting to give the Treasurer time to respond to any questions. A summary of the report was requested to be attached from the Treasurer for the next meeting.

LEGAL REPORT

No report.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Presented by Robert Landolfi, Executive Director, RRA.
The following projects were discussed:

1. Dornoch II Urban Renewal LLC (Main and Monroe).
2. 1255 Main Street/REVA.
3. Grammercy/R2N2 on East Cherry Street.
4. Meridia Brownstones on Elizabeth Avenue.
5. The city council passed a resolution authorizing the planning board to conduct a study to consider designating a new redevelopment area titled the Hamilton Street Project.

6. Cindy Solomon, Assistant Executive Director, advised of the following:
- a. The City will be conducting a Housing Absorption Study. The City wants to review the current level of residential units to ensure that an appropriate level are being planned.
 - b. The City is also undertaking a comprehensive downtown parking study. Mrs. Solomon advised that she will be meeting with the engineers and parking utility officials and will give an update to the redevelopment commissioners at a future meeting.
 - c. The City will conduct a Master Plan re-evaluation in 2019. A draft copy will be provided at a future meeting.

Commissioner	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Dalmau						X
Gustofson			X			
Hale			X			
Nash	X		X			
Timmons			X			
Farrar		X	X			
Sanchez			X			

ENGINEERING REPORT: Presented by Jacqueline Dirmann, Maser Consulting

1. Grammercy/R2N2 on East Cherry Street – Site work on Monroe Street, which includes curbing, paving, sidewalk and underground utilities have been completed. Installation of striping and signage is pending. Building improvements and pending completion and building sub-code inspections.
2. Dornoch II Urban Renewal LLC on Main and Monroe Street – building improvements are currently under construction. Site work is expected to commence in the Spring of 2019.
4. 1255 Main Street/REVA – Building construction is on-going. Curbing and drainage improvements to the surface parking area, perpendicular to the access driveway, has been completed and temporary pavement has been installed.
5. Brownstones on Elizabeth Ave – foundation and building construction is on-going. Site work is expected to commence in the Spring of 2019.

Commissioner	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Dalmau						X
Gustofson	X		X			
Hale			X			
Nash			X			
Timmons			X			
Farrar		X	X			
Sanchez			X			

CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

This portion of the meeting was opened to the public for comments.

Public Portion: No one from the public commented and the public portion was closed.

COMMISSIONER'S COMMENTS

Commissioner Nash commented that Hamilton Stage is in real need of regular maintenance and cleaning of the building. He asked that there is follow-up with the Director of UCPAC as to the state of the building and what he will be doing to correct the issues in the very near future.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:56pm.

Commissioner	Motion	Second	Aye	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Dalmau						X
Gustofson			X			
Hale			X			
Nash		X	X			
Timmons			X			
Farrar			X			
Sanchez	X		X			

Submitted by:

Karin Napier