

City of Oregon City

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Meeting Minutes - Final Urban Renewal Commission

Wednesday, September 3, 2014

6:00 PM

Commission Chambers

1. Convene Regular Meeting and take Roll Call

Chair Pauli called the meeting to order at 6:06 PM.

Present: 7 - Betty Mumm, Doug Neeley, Kathy Roth, Derrick Beneville, Renate

Mengelberg, Carol Pauli and Rocky Smith

Staffers: 3 - David Frasher, Kattie Riggs and Eric Underwood

2. Citizen Comments

There were no citizen comments.

3. Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was adopted as presented.

4. General Business

4a. Adaptive Reuse/Building Rehabilitation Program Grant for 702 Main Street

Eric Underwood, Economic Development Manager, said this was an application for 702 Main Street, the Bank of Commerce building. They were proposing to renovate 2,400 square feet of ground level from office to retail. It was considered a mixed use redevelopment. One of the spaces would be leased to a tap house and the other space was still under negotiation. They were also creating space in the basement that could house a yoga studio or membership type of business. They were asking for \$150,000 and would be adding historical features. He explained the scope of work. Staff recommended approving the full award of \$150,000.

Commissioner Beneville thought it was a fantastic project.

Jason Surratt, one of the three owners of the building, thought Oregon City was up and coming and would offer outdoor recreation mixed with a lot of creative space and retail space. He explained the renovations that had been done so far on the building to take it to a Class A space. They hoped to make the basement into something that met the needs of the City the most. It would be a creative space and flexible to fit different needs, and there would be an exercise area as well. Regarding the columns, they were a lot more expensive than he planned for and he was looking into how to bring the cost down. The columns were not part of this project, but he planned to put them in later. They were also considering putting up a wayfarer sign in the future.

Commissioner Smith was excited about the project. He encouraged the applicant to

do the columns as soon as possible.

Commissioner Mengelberg thought this project was a great way to bring people downtown after hours.

Mr. Surratt was open to any ideas the Commission had for recruiting businesses.

A motion was made by Commissioner Beneville, seconded by Commissioner Mumm, to approve the Adaptive Reuse/Building Rehabilitation Program Grant for 702 Main Street. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Betty Mumm, Doug Neeley, Kathy Roth, Derrick Beneville, Renate Mengelberg, Carol Pauli and Rocky Smith Jr.

5. Consent Agenda

5a.

5b.

A motion was made by Commissioner Neeley, seconded by Commissioner Mumm, to approve the consent agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Betty Mumm, Doug Neeley, Kathy Roth, Derrick Beneville, Renate Mengelberg, Carol Pauli and Rocky Smith Jr.

Minutes of the August 6, 2014 Regular Meeting

Minutes of the August 20, 2014 Regular Meeting

Future Agenda Items

No future agenda items were suggested.

7. City Manager's Report

David Frasher, City Manager, reminded the Commission that Oregon City was hosting City Hall Week on September 11, which was a League of Oregon Cities event to discuss the legislative agenda for the upcoming State legislative session. There was a Library Open House on September 4.

8. Adjournment

Chair Pauli adjourned the meeting at 6:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Kattie Riggs, City Recorder