



# HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MINUTES

Richfield, Minnesota

## Special Concurrent City Council, Housing and Redevelopment Authority, and Planning Commission Worksession

January 26, 2016

**CALL TO ORDER**

The concurrent worksession was called to order by Mayor Goettel at 6:00 p.m. in the Bartholomew Room.

*Council Members Present:* Debbie Goettel, Mayor; Pat Elliott; Edwina Garcia; and Tom Fitzhenry.

*Council Member Absent:* Michael Howard.

*HRA Members Present:* Mary Supple, Chair; Pat Elliott, Debbie Goettel, David Gepner, and Doris Rubenstein.

*Planning Commission Members Present:* Rick Jabs, Chair; Sean Hayford Oleary; Susan Rosenberg; and Daniel Kitzberger.

*Planning Commission Members Absent:* Charles Standfuss, Gordon Vizecky and Erin Vrieze Daniels.

*Staff Present:* Steven L. Devich, City Manager/Executive Director; Pam Dmytrenko, Assistant City Manager/HR Manager; John Stark, Community Development Director; Kristin Asher, Public Works Director; Karen Barton, Assistant Community Development Director; and Cheryl Krumholz, Executive Coordinator.

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| <b>Item #1</b> | <b>DISCUSSION REGARDING CEDAR CORRIDOR MASTER PLAN UPDATE<br/>(COUNCIL MEMO NO. 8/HRA MEMO NO. 3)</b> |
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Representatives from JLG Architects presented a preliminary draft of the updated Cedar Corridor Master Plan for review, comments and feedback. The review included the existing conditions analysis; north-18<sup>th</sup> Avenue greenway option; south-18<sup>th</sup> Avenue greenway option; north-Cedar Avenue greenway option; and south-Cedar Avenue greenway option.

Discussion among Council Members, HRA Commissioners and Planning Commissioners included transportation alignment on 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Cedar Avenue, highway buffers, airport noise, mandating design criteria, viable land size for redevelopment, commercial/residential, maintaining parkway and trails, and community amenities.

City Manager/Executive Director Devich stated the transportation alignment was a policy decision.

Community Development Director Stark explained the 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue alignment is preferred but will involve takings, property assembly and be a phased approach. He said the next step in the process is to conduct a public meeting and schedule another concurrent meeting for March.

The consensus was support for the 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue transportation alignment.

Kent Carlson, Anderson Companies, explained their original development project was to go along Cedar Avenue and changing to 18<sup>th</sup> Avenue would impact the project but they could work with it. He added they need to be mindful of the timeline for current contracts for acquisition.

The Concurrent Worksession was adjourned by unanimous consent at 6:53 p.m.

Date Approved: February 16, 2016.

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Mary B. Supple  
Chair

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Cheryl Krumholz  
Executive Coordinator

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Steven L. Devich  
Executive Director