



HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES

Richfield, Minnesota

Regular Meeting

March 21, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Supple at 7:15 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

HRA Members Present: Mary Supple, Chair; David Gepner (arrived 7:17 p.m.); Debbie Goettel; and Doris Rubenstein

HRA Members Absent: Pat Elliott

Staff Present: Steve Devich, Executive Director; John Stark, Community Development Director, and Karen Barton, Assistant Community Development Director

Item #1	APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE (1) SPECIAL CONCURRENT CITY COUNCIL, HRA, AND PLANNING COMMISSION WORKSESSION OF FEBRUARY 9, 2016 AND (2) REGULAR HRA MEETING OF FEBRUARY 16, 2016
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M/Goettel, S/Rubenstein to approve the minutes.

Motion carried 3-0.

Item #2	HRA APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
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HRA Chair Supple announced that the agenda has been amended to allow a citizen to speak on Item #5.

M/Rubenstein, S/Goettel to approve the agenda as amended.

Motion carried 3-0.

HRA Commissioner Gepner arrived.

Item #3	HRA PROGRAMS/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT 2015 YEAR IN REVIEW
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Assistant Community Development Director Barton presented the 2015 Year in Review.

Ms. Barton summarized all of the many different types of housing, redevelopment, and rental assistance programs and achievements of the past year.

Item #4	CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY LOCATED AT 7533 DUPONT AVENUE THROUGH THE RICHFIELD REDISCOVERED PROGRAM S.R. NO. 10
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Assistant Community Development Director Barton presented Staff Report No. 10.

M/Rubenstein, S/Goettel that the following resolution be approved:

HRA RESOLUTION NO. 1225

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY
LOCATED AT 7533 DUPONT AVENUE

Motion carried 4-0. This resolution appears as HRA Resolution No. 1225.

Item #5	CONSIDERATION REGARDING A SPECIAL, TEMPORARY ADJUSTMENT OF PAYMENT STANDARD FOR THE SECTION 8 RENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM FOR THE CLIENTS AT CONCIERGE APARTMENTS S.R. NO. 11
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Community Development Director Stark presented Staff Report No. 11.

Linda Soderstrom, 7720 Penn Avenue Apt #222, addressed the HRA regarding her concerns on the transition of the Concierge Apartments.

M/Goettel, S/Rubenstein to approve a special, temporary adjustment of payment standard for the Section 8 Rent Assistance Program for the clients at Concierge Apartments.

Motion carried 4-0.

Item #6	HRA DISCUSSION ITEMS
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HRA Commissioner Goettel asked when the Portland Avenue construction will start.

Executive Director Devich responded that he believed it would start soon but would get a more precise date to the City Council and HRA.

HRA Commissioner Gepner stated he was looking to City staff and his fellow HRA Commissioners for a list of Richfield firsts for a compilation he is working on.

Community Development Director Stark cited two examples of Richfield firsts; the Richfield HRA approved the first TIF District in Minnesota and Market Plaza and Village Shores were the State's first suburban mixed use projects outside of Minneapolis and St. Paul.

HRA Commissioner Rubenstein commended HRA Commissioner/Mayor Goettel on her recent awards.

Item #7	EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT
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None.

Item #8	CLAIMS AND PAYROLL
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M/Goettel, S/Rubenstein that the following claims and payroll be approved:

U.S. BANK		03/21/2016
Section 8 Checks: 127510-127584	\$	160,283.00
HRA Checks: 32603-32647	\$	45,446.63
TOTAL	\$	205,729.63

Motion carried 4-0.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 8:06 p.m.

Date Approved: April 18, 2016

Mary B. Supple
HRA Chair

Steven L. Devich
Acting City Clerk

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Executive Director