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## Syracuse Urban Renewal Agency

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### Minutes

Board of Directors Meeting  
Tuesday January 24, 2017  
3:00 pm  
Mayor's Conference Room

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**Board Members Present:** Mayor Stephanie A. Miner, David Delvecchio, Van Robinson

**Staff Present:** Kate Auwaerter, Nina Carlsen, Paul Driscoll, Meghan Ryan, Esq.

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#### I. Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Miner called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m.

#### II. Roll Call

Mayor Miner noted all Board members were present.

#### III. Proof of Notice

Mayor Miner noted notice of the meeting had been timely and properly provided.

#### IV. Minutes

Mayor Miner asked for a motion to accept the minutes or make any changes to the minutes from the December 27, 2016 Board of Directors meeting. Dave Delvecchio made a motion to approve the minutes from the December 27, 2016 Board of Directors meeting. Mayor Miner seconded the motion. Vice-Chair Robinson abstained from voting as he was not present at the December 27, 2016 Board of Directors meeting. The motion to approve the minutes from the December 27, 2016 Board of Directors meeting passed 2-0-1.

#### V. New Business

##### 1) **Resolution No. 3383**

Mayor Miner asked Paul Driscoll to present Resolution 3383 authorizing the allocation of an amount not to exceed \$300,000 for Phase 2 of the Syracuse Urban Space Project. Mr. Driscoll indicated that Kate Auwaerter was present to provide the Board with information regarding the Syracuse Urban Space Project. Ms. Auwaerter informed the Board of the completion of Phase 1. Ms. Auwaerter outlined goals of Phase 2 for the Board: to develop a final design and get Perseverance Park shovel ready as Phase 3 will be for construction. Vice-Chair Robinson inquired upon the financial status of Phase 3. Ms. Auwaerter informed that Board that the remaining estimated cost is Four Million Dollars (\$4,000,000.00). Ms. Auwaerter informed the Board of her plan to set up an endowment to go towards maintenance of Perseverance Park upon its completion as well as discuss a plan for maintenance with the Downtown Committee. Vice-Chair Robinson inquired upon the forecasted date of "ribbon cutting." Ms. Auwaerter estimated the Park would become available for public use around

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Spring-Summer 2018. Vice-Chair Robinson inquired upon the status of fundraising and available grants. Ms. Auwaerter informed the Board she plans to re-apply for a previously unsuccessful CFA grant of One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$1,500,000.00) on behalf of SURA. Ms. Auwaerter also indicated that she is researching consultants that could assist in developing a fundraising plan. She indicated that most fundraising contributions have been from corporate donors, foundations, and small donations. Mayor Miner made a motion to approve the resolution. Dave Delvecchio seconded the motion. Resolution 3383 was thereafter unanimously adopted.

### **VI. Items for Discussion**

None

### **VII. Adjournment**

There being no further business to discuss, Mayor Miner asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dave Delvecchio made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Vice-Chair Robinson seconded the motion. All Board members present unanimously approved a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:09 pm.