

SYRACUSE URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY

Meeting Minutes

October 27, 2015

3pm, Mayor's Conference Room

I, PAUL DRISCOLL, do hereby certify as follows:

1. I am the duly designated and acting secretary of the Syracuse Urban Renewal Agency (hereinafter "SURA")
2. I attended the regular meeting of the Agency, held in the conference room of the Mayor's Office at City Hall, Syracuse, NY on the 27th day of October, 2015.
3. The meeting was convened at approximately 3:05p.m., and a duly constituted quorum consisting of Mayor Stephanie Miner and Treasurer David DeVecchio were present throughout. In addition to me, Council President Van Robinson, Andrew Maxwell, Director of Policy and Innovation, Assistant Corporation Counsel Thomas Babilon, and Neighborhood and Business Development Planner Lindsay Speicher were in attendance.

CORRESPONDENCE

-none

GENERAL

Resolution No. 3349

Resolution 3349, authorizing the Syracuse Urban Renewal Agency to enter into an interagency agreement with the City of Syracuse Industrial Development Agency with regards to the Downtown New Urban Space project, was introduced. This agreement would allow for the allotment of up to 200,000 in SIDA funds for the New Urban Space project. After some discussion, Mayor Miner made a motion to authorize the resolution, which was seconded by Dave Delvecchio. Resolution 3349 was thereafter unanimously adopted.

Resolution No. 3350

Resolution 3350, authorizing addition of a permitted buyer for the purchase of a portion of 524 Seymour Street was introduced. After some discussion Mayor Miner made a motion to authorize the resolution, which was seconded by Dave Delvecchio. Resolution 3350 was thereafter unanimously adopted.

Resolution No. 3351

Resolution 3351, authorizing an increase in the acquisition cost for 124 Chester Street, a vacant property in the City of Syracuse, was introduced. Unanticipated expenses were incurred by the seller who requires these costs to be recouped through the sale of the parcel. Mayor Miner made a motion to authorize the resolution, which was seconded by Dave Delvecchio. Resolution 3351 was thereafter unanimously adopted.

Resolution No. 3352

Resolution 3352, authorizing the acquisition of 122 Chester Street, Syracuse, NY by eminent domain was introduced. Previous negotiations with the seller were not successful due to numerous title issues that could not be resolved in a timely fashion, including significant liens from a nursing facility. Failure to acquire this parcel jeopardizes the success of the neighborhood supermarket project. Mayor Miner made a motion to authorize the resolution, which was seconded by Van Robinson. Resolution 3352 was thereafter unanimously adopted.

Resolution No. 3353

Resolution 3353, authorizing the procurement of legal services from Barclay Damon LLP with regards to the acquisition of 122 Chester Street by eminent domain, was introduced. This firm has significant experience with eminent domain proceedings in New York State. Mayor Miner made a motion to authorize the resolution, which was seconded by Van Robinson. Resolution 3353 was thereafter unanimously adopted.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

-none

OTHER BUSINESS

-none

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 3:15 p.m.

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By: 
Paul Driscoll, Secretary

I, PAUL DRISCOLL, the duly appointed, qualified, and acting secretary of the Syracuse Urban Renewal Agency (hereinafter "SURA"), hereby certify that:

1. The foregoing is a true, correct and complete copy of the record of the proceedings of Agency, taken at a lawful meeting of SURA held at City Hall, Syracuse New York on October 27th 2015 commencing at approximately 3:05 p.m. as recorded in the regular official book of the proceedings of SURA; those proceedings were duly had and taken as known therein, and the persons named therein were present at the meeting as is shown therein.
2. All members of SURA were duly notified of that meeting, pursuant to law.

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