



MINUTES
Metropolitan Redevelopment Agency
Board of Commissioners
June 20, 2023
4:00 p.m.

Members Present: Jill Tanis – Chair
Doug Dykeman – Vice Chair
Beth McNally – Commissioner
Ruth Brooks – Commissioner

Members Absent: Tara Taylor – Commissioner

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Jill Tanis at 4:00 p.m., and there being a quorum of members present, the following proceedings were duly had and taken.

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Jill Tanis wanted the minutes of the May 16, 2023 regular meeting to reflect that Tara Taylor had volunteered for the Arts & Cultural District coordinating council. The commission was amicable to the amendment. Ruth Brooks moved to approve the minutes of the May 16, 2023 regular meeting as amended. Doug Dykeman seconded the motion. Motion carried.

3. **ONGOING BUSINESS**

Economic Development Director, Warren Unsicker, talked about some outreach efforts at the Maker's Market, RiverFest and via Facebook regarding the Animas Action Plan.

4. **CITY STAFF UPDATES**

Warren Unsicker mentioned a couple of businesses in the MRA district that had closed. He didn't have any updates on the Wells Fargo building, but is monitoring its progress. Warren is also still working with a grant contractor to see if he can get a grant for the proposed bus hub.

Beth Escobar introduced Mike Safrany and Joaquin Gonzalez, from the City's Planning Division. Beth McNally asked if there were any proposed planning or zoning changes coming up in the MRA district. Beth Escobar discussed changes coming forward on the cannabis ordinance that would require a 300 ft. distance from residential properties.

5. **MAIN STREET ADVISORY BOARD BUSINESS**

Downtown Coordinator, Karen Lupton, gave an update on the asphalt grant and T-Mobile grant. She also discussed the downtown art installation and signage.

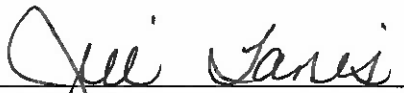
6. NEW BUSINESS

Kurt Cook and Hector Rangel presented artwork for the retaining wall at 515 East Main St. for MRA approval. After some discussion, Doug Dykeman made a motion to approve the artwork. Beth McNally seconded the motion. Motion carried.


Beth McNally asked if the City could look into designing a connector path in the right-of-way from Apache St. to Wall Ave. and evaluate other potential opportunities for the property.

7. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Committee, and upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned.



Jill Tanis, Chair



Kay Rose, Liaison