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MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING
Thursday, January 15, 2009, 6 P.M.
Guerneville Veterans' Hall, First and Church Streets, Guerneville

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Ken Wikle called the meeting of the Russian River Redevelopment Oversight Committee (RRROC) to order at 6:02 PM.

2. Roll Call

Roll call: present were Lynn Crescione, Tom Lynch, Gary Getchell, John Uniack, Ken Wikle, and Catherine Young. Sarah Ronis and Dan Fein arrived at 6:03PM and Suzie Baxman was absent. Also present were Community Development Commission Executive Director Kathleen Kane, Redevelopment Associate Cas Ellena, Interim Redevelopment Associate Judith Miller, Senior Office Assistant Michael Brown, Captioner Jane James, and approximately five (5) members of the public during the course of the meeting.

3. Minutes

Lynn Crescione made a motion to approve the December 18, 2008 Meeting Minutes; seconded by Catherine Young and the motion passed 8-0-1.

4. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Matters

Lenny Weinstein

5. Information Sharing

Kathleen Kane introduced Cas Ellena, the new Redevelopment Associate. John Uniack mentioned that the Vet Connect hours have been changed to 3PM – 6PM on second Thursday of month. Dan Fein informed the RRROC that he and John Uniack attended the Transportation meeting earlier today and learned they were looking for funding.

6. Correspondence

Kathleen Kane noted that there has been no correspondence since the last RRROC meeting.

7. Monthly Reports

Kathleen Kane presented the current Redevelopment Projects and the Financial Report included in the RRROC meeting packets.

8. Old Business

Russian River Redevelopment Corridor Design Guidelines

Kathleen Kane informed the RRROC that the Russian River Redevelopment Corridor Design Guidelines is being presented back to the RRROC with corrections requested at their December meeting. There are two (2) documents in the packets relating to this Agenda Item. One document is with the correction mark-ups and the other is the corrected pages.

John Uniack indicated that some wording is missing at bottom of Page 1 and that Page 29 was missing from the corrected copy. There was also a discussion of the way the Acknowledgements were handled. Ms. Kane will have the corrections made and email the

corrected pages to the RRROC for their review before the document is forwarded on to the County for next approval steps.

Public Comments:

Lenny Weinstein

Catherine Young made a motion to recommend approval of the Design Guidelines with the above corrections and Lynn Crescione 2nd the motion. The motion carried 8-0-1.

9. New Business

Recommendations for River Park Stage Task Group

Kathleen Kane asked for the RRROC's recommendations for appointment to this Task Group. Ms. Kane advised she already has the names of the former Parks and Rec Sub Committee (Tom Lynch, Liam Davis, Brian Grant, Ron Moore, Gretchen Mino, Catherine Young, John Uniack, Tim Lipinski, George Zastrow, Carry Ostrofe and Dana Zimmerman).

Dan Fein recommended members of the community who might be interested in using the stage. RRROC members identified the following people: Seth Monfort, Hailey Severe, Jim Ocean and Sonja Tubridy. Sarah Ronis thought we should also get input from the Sheriff's Department regarding security.

Public Comments

None

Preliminary FY 09-10 Budget for Russian River Redevelopment Project

Kathleen Kane went over the projected revenues and categories for uses of funds for the Russian River Redevelopment Project for FY 09-10, the Goals and Achievements for FY 2008-2009, and draft new Goals for FY 2009-2010. Some of the FY 2008-2009 Goals were revised and added as FY 2009-2010 Goals, along with new ones. Ms. Kane will forward the Updated Goals to the RRROC, as well as a copy of the Blight definition changes that have been made by the State, and information regarding tax increment actual and projected accruals, and pass-through payments to taxing entities.

Ken Wikle made a motion to add as a goal: enhance fire protection and medical first response capabilities within the Redevelopment Project Area. Lynn Crescione seconded the motion. After further discussion, this motion was amended to encompass the proposed changes to all goals as read by Ms. Kane. Vote 8-0-1.

Public Comment:

None

Revised Russian River Redevelopment Strategic Plan

Kathleen Kane briefly reviewed the history of the draft Strategic Plan and answered questions about changes made since the last draft of August 31, 2007. The pros and cons of submitting the Plan in its original form was discussed, as well as adding a Glossary of Acronyms and full justification of all narrative sections.

Dan Fein moved to recommend approval of the revised draft Strategic Plan dated January 15, 2009 with the addition of the Glossary of Acronyms and full justification formatting. Lynn Crescione seconded the motion and the vote passed, 6-2-1 with Tom Lynch and John Uniack voting 'no' and Suzy Baxman absent.

10. Public Comment

None

11. Agenda for Next Meeting

The following items were recommended for inclusion in the February 19, 2009 Agenda: Call to Order; Roll Call; Approval of Minutes for January 15, 2009; Public Comment; Information Sharing; Correspondence; Monthly Reports; Old Business: Second Review of River Park Stage Proposal; New Business: None

12. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Next Meeting.

Regular Meeting, on February 19, 2009, 6:00 p.m., Monte Rio Community Center, 20488 Highway 116, Monte Rio, CA

RRROC members:

Residential Tenants: Catherine Young, Suzie Baxman, and Sarah Ronis.

Residential Property Owner Occupants and Residential Property Owners: Dan Fein, Tom Lynch and John Uniack.

Business Owners/Business Property Owners: Lynn Crescione, Gary Getchell, and Ken Wikle.

Notes:

A recording of the meeting is available on CD at the Guerneville Library for listening purposes on-site or you may purchase a copy of the recording from the Sonoma County Community Redevelopment Agency for \$5.00 by calling (707) 565-7523.