



Redevelopment Authority for the City of Watertown

Turning Opportunity into Results

Wednesday April 20, 2022

7:00 pm

In-PERSON/VIRTUAL MEETING

Council Chambers, City Hall

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RDA STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

- 1) ~~400 W. Main St. block demolition, Town Square design etc., and publicizing town square project for possible funding from sources other than the City.~~
- 2) Facilitating quality development in downtown, and
- 3) Creating an approach and working to attract development projects downtown.

AGENDA

1. Determination of Quorum and Call to Order at 7:00 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call
 - a. Present: Salas, Kuenzi, Ruetten, Bartz, Marchant, Zastrow
 - b. Virtual: Zimmerman
4. **Review/Approve:** Minutes of Previous Meetings – March 16, 2022
 - a. **Motioned:** Salas
 - b. **Seconded:** Kuenzi
 - c. Note: Steph Mazzoni is typing minutes now. Minute format is liked
 - d. Approved by unanimous voice vote
5. Public Comment
 - a. No public comment.
6. Status Reports
 - a. Community Support/Communication – Mueller
 - i. Tracking the social media
 - ii. Met with Elias Inn new owners for press release and case study video.
 - iii. Around the square with Alex
 1. Questions of hotel going in and street closed permanently
 - iv. Groundbreaking
 1. Have reception and speakers
 2. Putting statistics together
 3. Chains and banner coming
 4. Put up weekly timelines with city media
 5. Invites to newspapers-Milwaukee Journal
 6. Time lapse video to be played at reception
 - b. Common Council Update – Ruetten
 - i. Same Council representatives
 - ii. Main St. to bridge updates-move up date
 - iii. 5/2 Finance meeting for how ARPA funds will be used
 1. Ideas that people are excited about

- a. Land to west of Farm and Fleet
 - b. Things for Fire Dept.
 - iv. Anything needed to brief new alders
 - v. Eau Claire at Council gives them biweekly updates. Thought for here
 - vi. Ruetten was thanked for serving on Council and RDA again
 - c. Historical Installation Task Force – Zimmermann
 - d. Executive Director Update – Allon
 - i. Town Square Construction
 - 1. Bid Recap.
 - a. \$3,000,000, accepted 18,000 deduct for seawall,(Michaels is on site.) Added 3800 from General Trades, added vibration monitor 8000, added 10500 precast seawall coming in in August. \$3,015,000 right now.
 - b. Additional costs recap outside scope of Smith Group. 83000
 - i. Alex to contest 10000. Discussion on additional costs.
 - c. Library Board concerns
 - i. setting up meeting to discuss
 - 2. Some long lead time items that we've been substituting alternates for. For example, there was a year lead time for ductile iron piping.
 - 3. Mid to late next week installing sheeting.
 - 4. Anticipated project schedule.
 - a. Highly visible site. Make sure things are by the book.
 - 5. Started April 5
 - a. Oct finish if everything goes according to plan
 - ii. Town Square Programming
 - 1. Still meeting with groups.
 - a. Tentative grand opening
 - iii. New Revolving Loan Application
 - 1. Loan Memo from Draeger's requesting 28000
 - a. **Motion:** Salas
 - b. **Second:** Kuenzi
 - c. Approved by unanimous voice vote
7. **Review/Approve:** February financial report and, if available, March financial report.
 - a. Feb. working to get it done. March quick one.
 - b. Work with DNR for funds first, then Community Foundation
 - c. Include Mark Stevens on next meeting
8. Future possible agenda items.
9. Adjournment at 7:59 p.m.
 - a. Motion: Kuenzi
 - b. Second: Salas