

Harmony EDA Minutes

October 5, 2006
4:00 p.m.

Council Room
Community Center

Present: Sherry Hines, Mark McKay, Roxanne Johnson
Present: Jerome Illg, Cris Gastner, Mike Maher

Meeting was called to order 4:10 p.m. by Sherry Hines.

Stanley Maroushek

Slim was present to discuss his business and past due loan. He was finishing the remodeling and organizing of the building and museum, which cost him more than anticipated. He hopes to be current by December 1st. It was the consensus to review the situation then and invite him to the December meeting should that not occur.

Heritage Grove

Mike Maher was present to discuss the operations report for September. The statistically demographics information was reviewed for the area. An update was given on the stove/oven in the kitchen area, to which they are gathering more information. Mike informed the board the Kirsten had resigned and they were filing the position with a part-time RN (16 hours/week) and an office manager (32 hours/week). Some board members were concerned that it would jeopardize marketing of the building have an RN on staff for less hours than the current 32 hours/week. After discussion, it was suggested to have Sherry be part of the interview panel and look at training existing staff (CPR, etc).

Minutes

Motion by Mark, seconded by Roxanne to approve the August 31st. Motion carried.

Financials

Motion by Mark, seconded by Roxanne to approve claims and financials. Motion carried.

Revolving Loan

The revolving loan committee presented a loan for Allan Dahl of \$19,500 at 2% over 7 years to repair his building on Center St (old fire hall). He would be doing roofing, electrical, windows, doors, and plumbing in Phase 1. Also presented was a development agreement for the project. Jerome explained by completing Phase 1, would allow additional phases to be completed to create jobs, and could draw interest to the building. Also, it would improve the existing building. It was mentioned that we would deviate from the criteria in relation to job creation.

Motion by Roxanne, seconded by Mark to recommend to the city council the development agreement and revolving loan for Allan Dahl's FEDA project. Motion carried.

Downtown Redevelopment

Cris updated the board on a meeting he had with Brad Hoiness. Jerome and Cris wanted the boards consensus to talk to a couple of developers that would be interested in building a new building for the grocery store to lease. Board had no concerns. Jerome stated that the bus property will be vacated around October 20, and the assessment will be coordinated shortly thereafter.

Mobile Home Park

Cris stated that the DEED grant for the mobile home park was denied. In correspondence with DEED, they indicated that it would not be funded again if we reapplied, since all of the costs associated with acquisition, demolition, and clean-up were not within the past 12 months, therefore they would be funding a private development. Cris and Jerome will be talking with Allan Dahl to discuss next steps and will report back.

Housing Incentives

Jerome mentioned that we will be marketing the housing incentives, through brochures, newspapers and KTTC commercials.

Roundtable Meeting & KTTC Contributions

Roxanne suggested that we send out another contribution form with the option of adding a monthly amount to someone's utility bill to contribute towards the cost of the commercials. After that, we would contact the business community based on a delegated list.

At 5:50 pm motion was made by Roxanne to adjourn, seconded by Mark, motion carried.