

Minutes of the Veneta Urban Renewal Agency

July 12, 2010

Present: Chair Sharon Hobart-Hardin, T. J. Brooker, Darrell Carman, Marion Esty and Sandra Larson

Staff: Brian Issa, Community Services Director; Sheryl Hackett, City Recorder; Kyle Schauer, Public Works Superintendent; Zac Moody, Assistant Planner; and Darci Henneman, Assistant City Recorder

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Sharon Hobart-Hardin called the Veneta Urban Renewal Agency to order at 8:45 p.m.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3. CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: Darrell Carman made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Marion Esty seconded the motion.

VOTE: Marion Esty, aye; Darrell Carman, aye; Chair Sharon Hobart-Hardin, aye; Sandra Larson, aye; and T. J. Brooker, aye.

The consent agenda as approved included minutes for June 28, 2010.

4. LANE TRANSIT DISTRICT (LTD) UPDATE

Zac said construction on the Park N Ride and monumentation projects should be underway in the next couple of weeks. The construction contract was awarded to Brown Construction for the Park N Ride with the monumentation project added as an alternative to the contract. The overall project budget came in less than the \$800,000 grant. The Planning Commission approved the Site Plan at the June 7th meeting.

In response to a question from Sharon Hobart-Hardin, Zac said the estimated project completion period should be 90 days. It was estimated construction would begin the first part of July but it now looks more like mid-August before construction will begin. The Farmers' Market will move to the Luther Lane site prior to the start of construction. The West Broadway street improvement project has a completion date of September 30th for all hard surfaces.

5. TAX LOT 600 UPDATE

Fill dirt from the West Broadway improvement project is being moved to Tax Lot 600 consistent with the wetlands permit for that property. Staff is hopeful to get all the dirt moved by July 31st. The 1200C and DEQ permits do not need to be renewed. The Request for Proposal (RFP) went out for development of Tax Lot 600 but no responses were received. Zac said the RFP was open to solicit commercial development including a hotel.

6. OTHER

Zac said the Fern Ridge Service Center Partners are working to prepare CDBG grant application for an August 30th submittal. Prior to approving an application for funds, the Ford Family Foundation would like to see more community support and involvement for

the project and a match from the City. The "Benefit by the Glass" fundraiser held at Shadow Mountain Vineyard raised \$2,600 bringing the total raised funds to approximately \$32,000. Fifteen thousand dollars has been received from Lane Council of Governments (LCOG) and \$4,000 from Senior Connections. The Fern Ridge Service Center Partners are working on the Veneta Harvest Festival scheduled for September 25th. This will be a one day fundraising event for the Service Center. Food and vendor booths along with kids' activities and music will be offered. Kim Kaufman would also like to offer a chili cook-off similar to years past. Raffle tickets are being sold at the Farmers' Market for a hand made quilt. The goal for the group is \$107,000.

In response to a question from Mayor Hobart-Hardin, Zac said the timeline for fundraising the \$107,000 would be September 1st if we were to submit for fourth quarter of 2010 funds. Ford Family Foundation suggested keeping a log of all volunteer hours the community has spent fundraising for the Service Center. They want to see how much community involvement there is

7. ADJOURN

Chair Sharon Hobart-Hardin adjourned the Veneta Urban Renewal Agency meeting at 8:58 p.m.

Sharon Hobart-Hardin, Chair

Darci Henneman, Assistant City Recorder