

Minutes of the Veneta Urban Renewal Agency

October 11, 2010

Present: Chair Sharon Hobart-Hardin, T. J. Brooker, and Sandra Larson

Absent: Darrell Carman and Marion Esty

Staff: Ric Ingham, City Administrator; Shauna Hartz, Finance Director; Brian Issa, Community Services Director; Sheryl Hackett, City Recorder; Zac Moody, Assistant Planner; and Darci Henneman, Assistant City Recorder

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Sharon Hobart-Hardin called the Urban Renewal Agency meeting to order at 8:27 p.m.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3. CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: T. J. Brooker made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Sandra Larson seconded the motion.

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

The Consent Agenda was approved including Minutes for September 13, 2010.

4. OTHER

Zac has been working on the final design of the Transit Center with architects David Dougherty and Pivot Architecture, more specifically, the brick color for the West Broadway monumentation, signage, and retaining walls. He provided a sketch and color samples, however, the color printer did not reflect an accurate shade of the samples which appeared darker. David Dougherty and the architect for LTD chose the color "corkboard" for the body of the monumentation and retaining wall and "charcoal" for the posts at each end of the monumentation. Zac will provide a picture of the true color sample to Agency members as we get closer to installing the bricks. Two anti-graffiti coatings will be tested to decide which one will be applied as a final coating to the monumentation and retaining wall.

Chair Sharon Hobart-Hardin would prefer more of a red color, like Persimmon or Canyon Rock.

Ric said the birds will not be included in the first phase of the monumentation because of cost. The five bases will be installed for future art totaling approximately \$5,000.

In response to a question from Sandra Larson, Zac said the monument and the retaining wall will be treated with the anti graffiti coating which will make removing the graffiti easier.

In response to a question from Joan Mariner, Zac said there will be one covered bus stop on each side of West Broadway, adjacent to the midblock crosswalk.

Zac said staff wants to make sure the monumentation corner isn't too busy. There's a lot going on at the corner which is why the flag poles were removed from the design. Less will be more at this intersection which will also include the flashing crosswalks. Staff is hopeful that the bird poles will be included in next year's Urban Renewal budget.

In response to a question from Sandra Larson, Zac said banner arms can be added to the light posts which are also manufactured by the light pole company.

T. J. Brooker said Springfield and Cottage Grove were chosen for the state's Transforming Downtown Program. This is the second level of the three-level Oregon Main Street program.

Ric said staff looked into the program but unfortunately, Veneta did not have the criteria to apply for the funding.

5. ADJOURN

Chair Sharon Hobart-Hardin adjourned the Veneta Urban Renewal Agency at 8:40 p.m.

Sharon Hobart-Hardin, Chair

Darci Henneman, Assistant City Recorder