CITY OF ELKO REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY REGULAR MEETING MINUTES 3:30 P.M., P.D.S.T., TUESDAY, APRIL 10, 2018 ELKO CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 1751 COLLEGE AVENUE, ELKO, NEVADA

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chris Johnson, Chairman of the City of Elko Redevelopment Agency (RDA).

ROLL CALL

Present: Councilman John Rice

Councilman Reece Keener Mayor Chris Johnson

Absent: Councilman Robert Schmidtlein

Councilwoman Mandy Simons

City Staff: Curtis Calder, City Manager

Scott Wilkinson, Assistant City Manager

Cathy Laughlin, City Planner Bob Thibault, Civil Engineer

Jeremy Draper, Development Manager

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC

There were no public comments at this time.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

February 27, 2018 – Regular meeting **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

***A motion was made by Councilman Reece Keener, seconded by Councilman John Rice to approve the February 27, 2018 meeting minutes.

*Motion passed unanimously. (3-0)

I. NEW BUSINESS

A. Review, consideration, and possible approval to solicit bids for the Centennial Park Expansion project, and matters related thereto. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

At the February 27, 2018 meeting, the RDA took action to approve an amendment to the RDA budget to fund Project #2 of Phase 1 of the downtown corridor project for \$250,000 and directed staff to develop the bid documents for the project. This project will consist of the expansion into 7th Street connecting the Chilton Centennial Tower to the existing park area.

Cathy Laughlin, City Planner, turned it over to Mr. Thibault for explanation.

Bob Thibault, Civil Engineer, explained that the project would include curb, gutter, and sidewalk along Railroad Street and Commercial Street to finish the closure of 7th Street. It will also include some sidewalk around the tower, repaving a portion of the parking lot, and irrigation and sod throughout the 7th Street closure area. There are four trees included, two beside the tower and two in line with 7th Street. We were going to replace the 36" storm drain, but Public Works was able to pothole it and the pipe is in good condition. Therefore, we are going to leave it in place and add a manhole for access. There will be six reader boards around the tower; they will be on the edges of sidewalk for easy mowing.

Councilman Reece Keener asked if they were going to reach out for donations and funding assistance. He mentioned that he knew a couple of groups that have expressed some interest in participating.

Mr. Thibault said that the funding was in place for the project, with \$250,000 pledged from the RDA. The estimate for this project is around \$190,000, so we can get this done with the money we have. He understood there was interest from one group who wanted to support the splash pad, which was the DBA. He was thinking that they could a splash pad in the area where the existing fountain currently is, so it would be outside of the area proposed in this project. Within the 7th street corridor there are a bunch of utilizes in the street, so it would not be a good place for a splash pad. There is also interest to get a bathroom in the area. Staff has picked out a spot behind the other end of the train. It would fit in the corner of the future parking lot.

Ms. Laughlin explained that the bathroom was not funded yet, but it was estimated to be around \$93,000.

Councilman Keener said it would be closer to 8th Street.

Mr. Thibault said it would be midblock, in front of the Fire Station.

Scott Wilkinson, Assistant City Manager explained that they were working off the phasing that was recommended by the RAC.

***A motion was made by Councilman Reece Keener, seconded by Councilman John Rice to authorize staff to solicit bids for the Centennial Park Expansion Project, pursuant to what was presented.

*Motion passed unanimously. (3-0)

B. Review, consideration and possible acceptance of the 400 Block Alley Project and matters related thereto. **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION**

At the August 8, 2017 Elko Redevelopment Agency meeting, the RDA awarded a contract to Great Basin Engineering Contractors, LLC for the 400 Block Alley Project. The project has been completed by Great Basin Engineering Contractors, LLC and staff recommends final acceptance of the project.

Ms. Laughlin explained that the project itself was done several months ago, with exception of the Solar Light. There were some issues with the ordering process of the solar light. The light has been installed behind the fence on Mr. Franzoia's property. She's heard good things about it. This is final acceptance of the project. The final expenditure was included in the packet.

Councilman Keener explained that he was in Mike's back yard and the frame on the light was robust.

Ms. Laughlin said she was extremely disappointed in the users of the area. She showed a photo of behind the dumpsters. She has met with Elko Sanitation and talked with the property owners. The Moon Bar has been dissatisfied with their Elko Sanitation bill, so they were hauling their own trash. He said it wasn't just the users, because he watched the dumpsters being dumped. Ms. Laughlin thought this was completely unacceptable, but she was looking for suggestions for some fixes on how to keep it clean.

There was further discussion on keeping the area clean.

Mayor Chris Johnson

*** A motion was made by Councilman Reece Keener, seconded by Councilman John Rice to accept 400 Block Alley Project as completed by Great Basin Engineering Contractors.

*Motion passed unanimously. (3-0)

II. REPORTS

- A. Budget
- B. Other-

Ms. Laughlin reported that the RAC would have a meeting on the 26th to review the Storefront Applications. We received three applications, two requesting the maximum amount of \$25,000, and the third requested \$5,105.

COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC

There were no public comments at this time.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor Chris J. Johnson, Chairman Redevelopment Agency