



REGULAR MEETING OF THE KETCHUM
URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY
MARCH 18, 2013

Commissioners present: Chairman Mark Eshman
Commissioner Michael David
Commissioner Randy Hall
Commissioner Jim Slanetz

Commissioners absent: Vice-Chairman Trish Wilson
Commissioner Trina Peters

Also present: Executive Director Gary Marks
Attorney Stephanie Bonney
Ketchum Community and Economic Development Director Lisa Horowitz
Minutes written by Ketchum Recording Secretary Sunny Grant

1. This Regular Meeting of the Ketchum Urban Renewal Agency was called to order by Chairman Mark Eshman at 4:45p.m. at City Hall, Ketchum, Idaho.

2. **Communications from the Board of Commissioners**
Recommendation to approve the 2012 Ketchum Urban Renewal Agency Report

Executive Director Gary Marks submitted the KURA's annual report to the Commissioners. State Statute requires every URA to publish an annual report and present it to the Board in a public meeting prior to the end of March. Calendar year 2012 URA activities and accomplishments:

- Hired property management company for the 491 Building.
- Negotiated intent to lease two lots at 211 East First Street.
- Paid annual bond payments.
- KURA website launched in January, 2012.
- KURA Executive Director Gary Marks serves as President of State Redevelopment Association of Idaho.
- KURA held a Visioning Session.
- Ketchum Walkability project.
- Proposed Ketchum transit hub.

Commissioner Randy Hall moved to accept the KURA Annual Report, seconded by Commissioner Michael David. Motion passed unanimously.

3. **Comments from the Public**

- Ketchum resident Anne Corroek said she had responded to a newspaper ad searching for a KURA Commissioner to replace former KURA Commissioner Nina Jonas. Corroek said she never received a letter a month after the deadline thanking her for her interest.

Chairman Mark Eshman said the URA had only received one response at the time. Since then, several more applicants had come forward. All applicants will be presented to the Board in a public meeting when there is a full Board present. The Board collectively chooses their new Commissioner.

- Ketchum resident Phyllis Shafran said the City of Ketchum charges the URA \$67,000 for administration, which she felt was a lot of money.

Chairman Mark Eshman felt Ketchum's professional staff provided the URA with tremendous experience and talent.

Executive Director Gary Marks said the cost distribution is typical of small town URAs all over the country; and will be tracked during the upcoming budget process. Marks said Ketchum provides day-to-day accounting and budgeting. He added that just defending the URA before the Idaho Legislature took many hours; and he put a lot of time into preparation and data collection for the URA's Visioning Session.

- Jim Plumason asked if the URA would be looking for additional URA Board candidates.

Chairman Mark Eshman said the URA could place another newspaper ad, although it only elicited one response the first time. City Attorney Stephanie Bonney said there was no legal requirement for public notice. Commissioners felt the URA should place a display ad in the newspaper to reach more people.

4. Consent Calendar

- a. Approval of minutes from the February 19, 2013 URA Board meeting
- b. Recommendation to approve current bills

• Phyllis Shafran asked what the Sentinel Security bill was for.

This is probably fire alarm protection for the City-owned Visitor Center building. Staff will check and report back.

Commissioner Randy Hall moved to approve the Consent Calendar of March 18, 2013, seconded by Commissioner Michael David. Motion to approve the Consent Calendar passed unanimously.

5. Executive Session

Commissioner Randy Hall moved to go into Executive Session, to discuss personnel, litigation and land acquisition, pursuant to Idaho Code §67-2345 1(a), 1(b), 1(c), 1(d) and 1(f). Motion seconded by Commissioner Michael David. Roll call: Commissioner Randy Hall yes, Commissioner Michael David yes, Commissioner Jim Slanetz yes, and Chairman Mark Eshman yes. Motion passed unanimously.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Randy Hall moved to adjourn at 5:10 pm. Motion seconded by Commissioner Michael David, and passed unanimously.


MARK ESHMAN,
Chairman

ATTEST:


SANDRA E. CADY, CMC
Secretary/Treasurer