

URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY
BUDGET MINUTES
April 22, 2015

2014 Chair Jerry Jackson Sr. called the meeting of the Urban Renewal Agency Budget Committee to order at 7:15 p.m.

1. ROLL CALL

Present:

City Council Members: Mayor Rocky Sloan, City Councilors Angie Baca, Doug Edmonds, Jason Leonard, Sean Manning and Eric Niemann.

Citizen Members: Jack Duren, Ashley Hall, Jerry Jackson Sr., Candy Koetz, David Low and Scott Weaver.

Staff: Chris Workman, City Manager; Joan Swanson, Finance Director; Ken Elwer, Chief of Police; Kevin Fear, Public Works Director; Ken Rueben, Police Sergeant; and Ruth Post, City Recorder.

Absent: Citizen Member: Robert Boss

2. ELECTION OF CHAIR

MOTION: Rocky Sloan moved, Angie Baca second, to nominate Jerry Jackson Sr. as 2015 Urban Renewal Agency Budget Committee Chair. Motion APPROVED 12-0.

3. MINUTES

MOTION: Angie Baca moved, Sean Manning second to approve the minutes of May 23, 2014. Motion seconded and APPROVED 12-0.

4. VISITORS/PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

5. BUDGET MESSAGE

Mr. Workman read the budget message as included in the proposed budget document.

6. REVIEW BUDGET

Ms. Swanson reviewed the purpose of the Urban Renewal Area and noted that projects in the 2010 Plan have not been started yet as we were waiting for ODOT to move the highway rehabilitation project up on their schedule. She stated it has now been five years, and it is time to begin work on the projects. The project to be undertaken in this budget year is the upgrade of water and sewer utilities. Mr. Fear explained the plan to replace sewer and water utilities so they are completed when ODOT does decide to rebuild the highway surface. He stated that some of the work will be achieved through pipe bursting and some through open trenching. Ms. Swanson summarized the timeline, including selling \$4 million in bonds in January 2016. This will set the stage for construction in early 2016. Mr. Fear explained the work that has already been performed by the project design firm Murray, Smith & Associates, and the project coordination with the City's engineering firm, Westech Engineering.

Councilor Niemann questioned what ODOT's timeline is for the rehabilitation project. Mr. Fear stated the original timeline was to have been completed by now. Mr. Workman described the ODOT project lists and the status of the highway rehabilitation which is

currently on the 2019-2020 project list. He noted that the list is constantly changing though as projects get bumped back to make way for higher priorities. Mr. Sloan stated that the Applegate Street section of the highway continues to hold up; but if it failed, the project would be moved up. Mr. Weaver questioned how long the bond period would be for and whether that only covers infrastructure or if it includes paving. Ms. Swanson provided further details including going out for the construction bid early in the year to get better bids. She detailed the early estimates for the project list. She stated the bond term length would probably be in the 10 to 15 year range. Ms. Manning questioned how much notice ODOT provides before they come in. Mr. Workman stated ODOT is years out on projects. Mr. Weaver questioned if there are any grants such as the TIGER 6 grant to apply for. Mr. Workman stated that our project is not regional enough to make it viable for the TIGER 7 funding that is currently receiving applications. He stated there are some other smaller grants that can be applied for to supplement the Urban Renewal Agency budgeted funds.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business, Chair Jackson adjourned the meeting at 7:33 p.m.

SIGNED: Jerry Jackson Sr., Chair

ATTEST: Ruth Post, MMC, City Recorder