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Economic Development Committee

Meeting Record
February 7, 2011

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Meeting Date: February 7, 2011 Meeting Start time: 9:31 AM

Committee Members Present:

Ron Natinsky
Tennell Atkins
Dwayne Caraway
Sheffie Kadane
Ann Margolin
Steve Salazar
Jerry Allen
Linda Koop

Other Council Members Present:

Delia Jasso
David Neumann

Staff Present:

AC Gonzalez, *Assistant City Manager, City Managers Office*
Karl Zavitkovsky, *Director, Office of Economic Development*
Lee McKinney, *Assistant Director, Office of Economic Development*
Theresa O'Donnell, *Director, Sustainable Development & Construction*
David Cossum, *Assistant Director, Sustainable Development & Construction*

Other Presenters:

1. Approval of January 7, 2011 Minutes of the Economic Development Committee

Presenter(s):

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): Motion made to approve the minutes with the correction of the January 18, 2011 meeting and not the December 6, 2010 date posted on the agenda.

Motion made by: Mr. Kadane

Item passed unanimously: X

Item failed unanimously: _____

Motion seconded by: Mr. Allen

Item passed on a divided vote:

Item failed on a divided vote: _____

Follow-up (if necessary):

2. Kroger Grocery Store: New Market Tax Credit Transaction

Presenter(s): Lee McKinney, Assistant Director, Office of Economic Development

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): Motion made to recommend item to council for approval.

Motion made by: Mr. Atkins

Item passed unanimously: X

Item failed unanimously: _____

Motion seconded by: Mr. Caraway

Item passed on a divided vote: _____

Item failed on a divided vote: _____

Follow-up (if necessary):

Councilmember Atkins requested population density, mean income and other retailer evaluation criteria (1-5 mile radius) for grocery store location.

Councilmember Natinsky asked to confirm with Kroger their usual pattern for surrounding demographics.

Councilmember Salazar requested to clarify which employees gets full benefits.

Councilmember Kadane requested how much tax credit allocation is remaining and what it translates to in cash.

Councilmember Koop requested information regarding the % of below poverty line hires and hires from surrounding neighborhoods and also wanted to set up a process to track this information. CM Koop further inquired about the underwriting criteria utilized to determine how much tax credit allocation individual projects should receive.

3. Amendment to Digital Billboard Regulations: Status Update

Presenter(s): David Cossum, Assistant Director, Sustainable Development & Construction

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): No action taken. Updated briefing.

Motion made by:

Motion seconded by:

Item passed unanimously: _____

Item passed on a divided vote: _____

Item failed unanimously: _____

Item failed on a divided vote: _____

Follow-up (if necessary):

Councilmember Natinsky requested an up-to-date, compiled document with where we are today and follow-up with San Antonio (and other markets) on status of their pilot programs.

Councilmember Atkins requested the names of the SSDAC Committee and the bylaws.

Councilmember Koop requested information on what other cities have done addressing the 3 to 1 ratio & outcomes and information on aesthetics of nicer brick structures.

4. Upcoming agenda items for February 2011

- On February 9, 2011 the City will consider (1) Purchase Agreement; (2) acquisition; and (3) acceptance of charitable donation from Union Pacific Railroad Company of approximately four miles of abandoned, unimproved railroad right-a-way, between Rylie and Cloverhill Roads for the Kleberg Trail Corridor project – Not to exceed \$310,000 (\$300,000 plus closing costs not to exceed \$10,000) – Financing: Public/Private Partnership Funds (\$260,000) and 2003 Bond Funds (\$50,000)

Action Taken/Committee Recommendation(s): Motion made to recommend item to council for approval with the correction of the \$260,000 and not the \$26,000 posted on the agenda.

Motion made by: Mr. Atkins

Motion seconded by: Ms. Koop

Item passed unanimously: X

Item passed on a divided vote: _____

Item failed unanimously: _____

Item failed on a divided vote: _____

Follow-up (if necessary):

Meeting Adjourned: 11:34 AM

Approved By: Ron Natinsky, Chair