



CITY OF LAWRENCE REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

PUBLIC ASSEMBLY ROOM

LAWRENCE GOVERNMENT CENTER

9001 E. 59th Street

Thursday, September 26, 2024

3:30 P.M.

MEETING MINUTES

Call to Order and Determination of Quorum

President Blakeley called the meeting to order at 3:44 p.m. Attendees include Secretary Mari Swayne, and Commissioners Craig Wiley, and Sarah Whittaker.

Approval of Minutes

A motion to approve the minutes from the August meeting was made by Mari Swayne and seconded by Sarah Whittaker. Minutes were approved 4-0.

Approval of Claims and Purchase Orders for Payment

A motion to approve the claims was made by Craig Wiley and seconded by Mari Swayne. Claims were approved 4-0.

Old Business

There was no old business before the commission.

New Business

1. Executive Director's Report -- President Blakeley and Director Johnson met with a prospective large employer about relocating along Pendleton Pike, and Commissioner Whittaker toured INDOT medians in Greenfield with Director Johnson. Also announced was the Purple Like kickoff in the week ahead.
2. Appraisals – Director Johnson introduced agreements from IRR and Don R. Scheidt to conduct two appraisals at 9215 Pendleton Pike. A motion to approve two real estate appraisals for 9215 Pendleton Pike was made by Commissioner Willey, seconded by

Commissioner Whittaker, and approved 4-0. A request by Director Johnson was also made to be able to order appraisals in the future up to \$5,000 prior to commission adoption. Commission Attorney Russell Brown explained the appropriateness of the request. A motion was made by Commissioner Willey, seconded by Commissioner Swayne, and adopted 4-0 to grant pre-approval of up to \$5,000 to order real estate appraisals.

3. Bond counsel agreement – Director Johnson presented a proposal from Krieg DeVault to engage them as bond counsel for the commission. Commissioner Swayne motioned to approve, Commissioner Willey seconded the motion, and it was approved 4-0.
4. Engineering agreement – Director Johnson presented a proposal from HWC for on call engineering services to reclassify Records Street and to guide median improvements on Pendleton Pike. Scott Wilkinson, director of transportation for HWC introduced himself and the task orders. A motion to approve the agreement and two tasks was made by Commissioner Whittaker, seconded by Commissioner Whittaker, and adopted 4-0.
5. Real estate broker agreement -- Director Johnson presented an engagement from Avison Young to represent the commission as broker as real estate needs arise. A motion was made by Commissioner Willey, seconded by Commissioner Swayne, and approved 4-0.

Any Other Business to Come Before the Commission

Adjournment

A motion was made to adjourn by Commissioner Swayne, seconded by Commissioner Whittaker, and approved 4-0. The meeting was adjourned at 4:04 p.m.

Executive Session

The Lawrence RDC met in executive session following the conclusion of the Public Meeting. The executive session was held for the purposes of discussion of strategy regarding real estate transactions as contemplated under Indiana Code 5-14-1.5-6.1(b)(2)(D).