

**KNOX REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION  
REGULAR MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16, 2022 AT 4:30 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER:

The Knox Redevelopment Commission met in Regular Session at the Knox City Hall March 16, 2022 at 4:30 pm with the following members present: Board Members Jeff Berg, Marcia Hayes, Nathan Bradley, Marsha Boggs, Mike Estok (via phone), MaryLynn Ritchie. Others present: Mayor Dennis Estok, City Attorney Autumn Ferch.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR 2/16/22:

Minutes of the previous meeting were mailed to the Board Members prior to the meeting for their review. A motion was made by Marcia Hayes, second by Nathan Bradley to approve the minutes as submitted. Motion passed with five (5) ayes and (0) nays.

UPDATE ON TREE PROGRAM:

Mitchell Thompson, owner of Grow your Own Organics, LLC distributed information with the cost of the whole project. At this time, it was decided to not fund the whole project for \$97,311.00. It was voted to fund a portion of this project now out of TIF in the amount of \$29,400.00 which includes 14 trees, spade service, mileage and driving. Mitchell informed the Board he is going to the nursery to tag trees and the project will begin in April. The trees will have a 3-year warranty by them doing the work. Jeff made a motion to do 14 trees and installation, motion seconded by Marcia Hayes. Motion passed with five (5) ayes and (0) nays.

FAÇADE PROGRAM:

We have received 5 applications, it was voted on previously that we would use \$75,000 in the 1<sup>st</sup> phase of the project, approximately \$15,000 per business. Jeff suggested we meet at City Hall on Wednesday, March 24<sup>th</sup> at 4 p.m. and tour the 5 businesses that applied for the grant. Marcia Hayes made a motion, seconded by Marsha Boggs to meet on March 24<sup>th</sup> to tour the businesses that applied. Motion passed with five (5) ayes and (0) nays.

David and Jay Weinberg came to give the Board a preview of what they are planning for the outside of MBS Fitness. They have applied for the Façade grant. They will keep the Board posted as progress happens and also asked for the Board's opinions and suggestions in reference to their proposed façade improvements. No further action was required by the Board.

6 N. MAIN STREET:

The building at 6 N. Main Street was purchased by the RDC for \$24,900. It was decided at the last RDC meeting to clean it out, repair the glass and repair the front of the building. Offer it for sale and see if we get a buyer. The other option is to offer as a pop-up business as we have done in the past. No further action was required by the Board.

DOWNTOWN POLE RESTORATION:

The old light poles in town are deteriorating with green mold and rust. Jeff has contacted Cory Swartz of S.F. Industries. He is going to come and inspect poles and give us an estimate to strip and paint them. Jeff had a power point showing work the company had done in other places. There are 12 poles to be redone.

SIGNING OF VOUCHERS:

Members signed all vouchers as presented.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m. Motion was made by Marsha Boggs, seconded by Nathan Bradley. Motion passed with five (5) ayes and (0) nays.

Approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2022.

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Jeff V. Berg

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President

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Mary Lynn Ritchie

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Secretary