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URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY

CITY OF UTICA URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY MEETING MINUTES – July 22, 2021 1 KENNEDY PLAZA, UTICA, NEW YORK 13502

MEMBERS ATTENDING: Mayor Robert M. Palmieri, Councilman Joseph Betrus, Councilman Robert Burmaster, Joe Burke, Lonnie Jenkins, Marques Phillips, Michael Mahoney

OTHERS ATTENDING: Gene Allen, Cathy Mack, Merima Smajic, Assistant Corporation Counsel

EXCUSED: Brian Thomas

CALL TO ORDER: By Michael Mahoney at 9:39 AM

ITEM #1 Approval of Agency Minutes

Councilman Joe Betrus made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 6, 2021 special URA meeting and the July 8, 2021 URA Meeting. Lonnie Jenkins seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Old Business

ITEM #2 125 Thomas St.

Lansing St. LLC aka Stanley Cesaire submitted an offer for the property at 125 Thomas St. in the amount of \$9,000.00. The bidder plans to renovate for income property. A second offer was received from Serafin Vazquez-Martinez in the amount of \$8,000.00. The bidder plans to renovate for primary residence. A third offer was received from Edgar Lopez-Duran in the amount of \$7,000.00. The bidder plans renovate income property. A fourth offer was received from Fransisco Valdez & Altagracip Rodriguez in the amount of \$8,000.00. The bidder plans to renovate for income property. A fifth offer was received from Nubia Montesdesoca & Felix Mosquera in the amount of \$9,000.00. The bidder plans to renovate for primary residence. A sixth offer was received from Serge M. Jean & Rosie William Jean in the amount of \$9,000.00. The bidder plans to renovate for primary residence for their (cousin). A motion was made to discuss this property in Executive session.

After coming out of Executive Session, Marques Phillips, with the factors established by the Agency for selection of a purchaser having been considered made a motion to sell the property to Serafin Vazquez-Martinez in the amount of \$8,000.00.. The motion was seconded by Councilman Robert Burmaster and passed unanimously.

New Business

ITEM #3 Executive Session

At 9:54 am Mayor Robert M. Palmieri made a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss the sale of 125 Thomas St. Marques Phillips seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. At 10:06 am Joe Betrus made a motion to come out of Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Lonnie Jenkins and passed unanimously.

ITEM #4 Approval of Public Accountability Reports

Prior to the July 22, 2021 URA Board meeting all Board members were provided with an electronic copy of the Final Annual, Investment and Procurement Reports as required by the Public Authorities Accountability Act. Board members were asked to review the documents for possible approval/acceptance of the Reports. Mayor Robert M. Palmieri made a motion to approve and accept the reports. The motion was seconded by Joe Burke and passed unanimously

ITEM #5 Transfer of Funds

A request was made for the transfer of funds:

From:	CU58620 422	Electric	\$2000.00
To:	CU58620 214	Computer Equipment	\$2000.00

Transfer within cost centers to cover the purchase of a new computer for Gene Allen, Marketing Director for the Urban Renewal Agency.

A motion was made by Mayor Robert M. Palmieri to approve the transfer. The motion was seconded by Michael Mahoney and passed unanimously.

ITEM #6 Kennedy Garage

Downtown Utica Development, LLC submitted an offer to purchase the Kennedy Garage in the amount of \$1.5 million. The bidder plans to develop the property for mixed use/residential & commercial development.

Marques Phillips, with the factors established by the Agency for selection of a purchaser having been considered made a motion to sell the property to bidder Downtown Utica Development, LLC in the amount of \$1.5 million.. The motion was seconded by Mayor Robert M. Palmieri and passed unanimously.

ITEM #7 Adjournment

Mike Mahoney made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:38 AM. The motion was seconded by Councilman Robert Burmaster and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted this 22nd day of July, 2021 by Gene A. Allen