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# CITY OF UTICA

## URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY

### CITY OF UTICA URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY MEETING MINUTES –March 11, 2021 1 KENNEDY PLAZA, UTICA, NEW YORK 13502

**MEMBERS ATTENDING:** Councilman Robert Burmaster, Councilman Joseph Betrus,  
Lonnie Jenkins, Michael Mahoney, Marques Phillips

**OTHERS ATTENDING:** Brian Thomas, Gene Allen, Cathy Mack, Assistant Corporation Council Kate Hartnett

**EXCUSED:** Mayor Robert M. Palmieri, Fred Matrulli

**CALL TO ORDER:** By Brian Thomas at 9:34 AM

#### **ITEM #1 Approval of Agency Minutes**

Michael Mahoney made a motion to approve the minutes from the February 11, 2021 URA meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Joseph Betrus and passed unanimously.

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#### **New Business**

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#### **ITEM #1 Scheduling of Public Hearing**

Agency Staff and Corporation Counsel requested approval to schedule public hearings in contemplation of the use of eminent domain for a number of parcels necessary to complete the MVHS project in Downtown. Brian Thomas noted that the Board had previously approved the public hearing to occur at this meeting. However, miscommunication between City staff and the Agency's outside legal counsel necessitated that the hearing be re-scheduled. He proposed that the hearing be scheduled for the Agency's regular meeting on Thursday, April 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 AM.

The properties include:

- County tax id #'s 318.33-3-15, 16, 18, and 19 - more commonly referred to as 402 and 502-506 State Street and 508 and 510-512 Lafayette Street.
- County tax id # 318.41-2-38 - more commonly referred to as 411 Columbia Street.
- County tax id # 318.33-3-11 - more commonly referred to as 500-504 Columbia Street

Marques Phillips made a motion to approve scheduling the public hearings. The motion was seconded by Mike Mahoney and passed unanimously.

#### **ITEM #2 Adjournment**

Mike Mahoney made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:37 AM. The motion was seconded by Councilman Joseph Betrus and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted this 11<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2021 by Gene A. Allen