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Urban Renewal Agency Meeting Agenda December 11, 2025

1. Call to Order

2. Approval of Agency Minutes **October 9, 2025**

3. Old Business **318.8-1-52.1 Whitesboro Street**

4. New Business

5. Adjournment

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**CITY OF UTICA URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY
MEETING MINUTES –OCTOBER 9, 2025
1 KENNEDY PLAZA, UTICA, NEW YORK 13502**

MEMBERS ATTENDING: Mayor Michael Galime, Councilman Joseph Betrus, Nick Brindenbecker, Councilman Venice Ervin, Marques Phillips

EXCUSED: Danielle Faulkner-Forgas, Joseph Burkes,

OTHERS ATTENDING: Brian Thomas, Assistant Corporation Counsel Stephanie DiGiorgio, Gene A. Allen

CALL TO ORDER: By Brian Thomas at 9:39 am

Item #1 Approval of Agency Minutes

A motion was made by Mayor Michael Galime to approve the Agency minutes from the September 25, 2025 meeting. The motion was seconded by Nick Brindenbecker and passed unanimously.

Item #2 318.8-52.1 Whitesboro St.

An offer was received from Howard and Amanda Potter in the amount of \$15,000.00 for the property at 318.8-52.1 Whitesboro St. The bidder plans to expand their current building and allow ingress/egress of customer vehicles as well as parking while they are working on the vehicles. They plan to invest \$600,000.00 - \$750,000.00.

A motion was made by Mayor Michael Galime, with the factors established by the Agency having been considered, to Table the offer until the next meeting to allow the Legal Department to draw up a contract with details. The motion was seconded by Marques Phillips and passed unanimously.

Item #3 Executive Session

A motion was made by Marques Philips to go into Executive Session at 10:00 am, to discuss the Proposed Redevelopment Process Options. The motion was seconded by Mayor Michael Galime, and passed unanimously. A motion was made by Mayor Michael Galime, to come out of Executive Session at 10:40 am. The motion was seconded by Councilman Joseph Betrus and passed unanimously.

Item# 4 Adjournment

Mayor Michael Galime made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:41am. The motion was seconded by Councilman Joseph Betrus and passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted this 9th day of October 9, 2025 by Gene A. Allen

ADDRESS OF PROPERTY: 318.8-1-52.1 Whitesboro Street

LOT SIZE: 3.525 Acres

City Acquired: 9/18/2015

ASSESSMENT: \$191,400

PROPERTY CLASS: 330 – VAC COMM.

1. BIDDER: Howard & Amanda Potter
- BIDDER'S ADDRESS: 1138 Hilton Avenue, Utica, NY 13501 (own)
- PURCHASE PRICE: \$15,000.00
- INVESTMENT: \$600,000 to \$750,000
- PLANS: Expand current building and allow ingress/egress of customer vehicles as well as parking while they are being worked on.
- FUNDS AVAILABLE: \$765,000.00 per M&T
- OTHER PROPERTY:
- CODES & TAXES:

