

**HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY
CITY OF RAMSEY
ANOKA COUNTY
STATE OF MINNESOTA**

The Housing and Redevelopment Authority conducted a regular meeting on Tuesday, July 12, 2011, at the Ramsey Municipal Center, 7550 Sunwood Drive NW, Ramsey, Minnesota.

Members Present: Chairperson David Elvig
 Commissioner Randy Backous
 Commissioner Colin McGlone
 Commissioner Bob Ramsey
 Commissioner Jason Tossey
 Commissioner Jeffrey Wise

Members Absent: None.

Also Present: City Administrator Kurtis G. Ulrich
 Deputy City Administrator Heidi A. Nelson
 Public Works Director Brian Olson
 City Engineer Tim Himmer
 City Attorney Bill Goodrich

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Elvig called the regular meeting of the Housing and Redevelopment Authority to order at 7:52 p.m.

OPEN FORUM

There was none.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner McGlone, seconded by Commissioner Ramsey, to approve the agenda as submitted.

Motion carried. Voting Yes: Chairperson Elvig, Commissioners McGlone, Backous, Ramsey, Tossey and Wise. Voting No: None. Absent: None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

None.

HRA BUSINESS

Case #1: Update on Flaherty and Collins Financing – The Residence at The COR Project (Portions may be closed to the public)

Development Manager Lazan reviewed the staff report. He noted a tentative deal structure will be presented July 19 at the work session. The item will be before the HRA on the 26th of July.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

None.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Community Development Director Lazan noted the pylon sign along Highway 10 is being erected. The completion date is no later than August 10.

There has been a concern of landscaping around this site. He questioned whether there is a budget for landscaping. He noted there was an existing sign in this spot, which is now being taken advantage of for a new sign. Now that there is an empty lot, it appears the sign is too close to the road, though it is in the same place the previous sign was.

Consensus was reached to move forward with the sign placement as planned.

Commissioner Tossey asked for the status on the 12th Addition Soil Erosion.

Public Works Director Olson stated it is planned to be finished this week, however the tree debris from the storm has taken precedence. He said he projects this to be done by the first part of the next week.

Public Works Director Olson gave an update on the Sunwood Lane realignment, stating the feasibility study has begun. He anticipated the bids would be sent out in January, and a start date in March.

City Administrator Ulrich reviewed the events schedule, pointing out the business appreciation golf outing, and the upcoming Game Fair. The City has a booth at the Game Fair, and the same materials used at ICSC will be utilized. He noted the Concerts at the Draw event series is still going on.

City Administrator Ulrich stated staff is considering rescheduling a real estate broker event, which takes about 6 months for approval. The state shut down has pushed this event back.

City Administrator Ulrich stated the Ramsey Raceway is scheduled to open Friday July 15 for its first official event. This is small scale racing on a tract at Armstrong Boulevard and Hwy 10.

COMMISSIONER INPUT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Wise, seconded by Commissioner Ramsey, to close the regular meeting of the Housing and Redevelopment Authority.

Motion carried.

The regular meeting of the Housing and Redevelopment Authority adjourned at 8:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Heidi Nelson
HRA Executive Director

ATTEST:

Jo Ann M. Thieling
City Clerk

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