

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

The Housing and Redevelopment Authority conducted a regular meeting on Tuesday, January 11, 2011, at the Ramsey Municipal Center, 7550 Sunwood Drive NW, Ramsey, Minnesota.

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

Members Absent:                   None.

Also Present:                       City Administrator Kurtis G. Ulrich  
  Finance Director Dianne Lund  
  Public Works Director Brian Olson  
  City Engineer Tim Himmer  
  City Attorney Bill Goodrich  
  Development Manager Darren Lazan

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Jeffrey called the regular meeting of the Housing and Redevelopment Authority to order at 8:05 p.m.

**OPEN FORUM**

There was none.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

None.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by Commissioner Backous, seconded by Commissioner Wise, to approve the agenda as submitted.

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

## **HRA BUSINESS**

### **Case #1: Consider Waiving/Not Waiving Statutory Tort Limits**

City Manager Ulrich reviewed the staff report.

Motion by Commissioner Ramsey, seconded by Commissioner Elvig, to adopt Resolution #HRA-11-01-001, Not Waiving the Statutory Tort Limits for League of Minnesota Cities Insurance Trust Liability Coverage for the City of Ramsey.

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

### **Case #2: Consider Agreement with the Lower Rum River Water Management Organization (LRRWMO) related to the transfer of permit responsibilities for the existing RTC wetland mitigation plan**

City Engineer Himmer reviewed the staff report.

Commissioner Elvig asked if most of the work was something the City could do.

City Engineer Himmer responded the City could remove the weeds, etc., but with regard to the planting it would be better to hire an outside company do that and guarantee it.

Motion by Commissioner Elvig, seconded by Commissioner Wise, to approve the settlement and wetland replacement agreements, and authorization to negotiate an amended contract with URS in an amount not to exceed \$25,000 for design and monitoring services under the terms of the revised wetland mitigation permit that the HRA will be assuming.

Further discussion: Public Works Director Olson pointed out WNW Wetland.

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

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

None.

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

City Administrator Ulrich stated there was TIF district legislation in the process that would support the COR area.

Development Manager Lazan updated the HRA on the current working sketch on the west 50 area.

Commissioner Elvig stated he liked the roundabout considering there would not be pedestrian traffic in this area.

Commissioner McGlone believed the entire development was pedestrian focused and if the roundabout did not work with pedestrians he would like to not have it in the development. He requested the pedestrians be taken into consideration.

Commissioner Backus stated he did not have a problem with a roundabout, but he did not want the area to look like the Riverdale area. He stated if a roundabout was put in, it had to be large enough to handle the traffic.

Development Manager Lazan presented the HRA the Finance and Commerce article regarding the Ramsey Town Center. He noted he has received many calls from people impressed with the article.

Development Manager Lazan asked when or if the HRA wanted a COR update and how often the HRA wanted an update.

Mayor Ramsey recommended scheduling the update with the Cable TV station and Ms. Nelson and he conduct the update.

Commissioner Backus recommended a COR update once a month.

#### **COMMISSIONER INPUT**

None.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

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

Motion carried.

The regular meeting of the Housing and Redevelopment Authority adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

---

Heidi Nelson  
HRA Executive Director

ATTEST:

---

Jo Ann M. Thieling  
City Clerk

Drafted by Kathy Altman  
*TimeSaver Off Site Secretarial, Inc.*