

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

The Housing and Redevelopment Authority conducted a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, March 27, 2012, at the Ramsey Municipal Center, 7550 Sunwood Drive NW, Ramsey, Minnesota.

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

Members Absent: None.

Also Present: City Administrator Kurtis G. Ulrich
 HRA Executive Director Heidi A. Nelson
 Public Works Director Brian Olson
 City Engineer Tim Himmer
 City Attorney Bill Goodrich
 Development Manager Darren Lazan

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson McGlone called the Regular Meeting of the Housing and Redevelopment Authority to order at 8:51 p.m.

2. CITIZEN INPUT

There was none.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

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

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

None.

5. HRA BUSINESS

5.01: Adopt a Resolution to Ratify the Appointment of an Executive Director

HRA Executive Director Nelson reviewed the staff report.

Motion by Commissioner Wise, seconded by Commissioner Elvig, to adopt Resolution #HRA-12-03-005, Ratifying the Appointment of an Executive Director for the Ramsey Housing and Redevelopment Authority (HRA) Under Minnesota Statutes Chapter 469.

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

6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

HRA Executive Director Nelson provided an update on parking ramp signage and announced the Flaherty and Collins ceremonial groundbreaking scheduled for April 10, 2012, and closing on April 30, 2012.

Development Manager Lazan advised of additional attempts to contact Toti/Suite Living and indicated that as of April 2, 2012, their contract will expire and the \$50,000 will no longer be applicable towards closing costs.

7. COMMISSIONER INPUT

Commissioner Ramsey stated he finds The COR signage along Highway 10 is difficult to see. Development Manager Lazan explained the design intent was for subtlety but he will check if the lighting can be increased.

Commissioner Elvig asked what is anticipated for the Toti/Suite Living site.

Development Manager Lazan stated there were two proposals for this site, an urban product that fit with the downtown and a residential scale two-story with sloped rooftops. At that time, it was found Toti/Suite Living better fit the proforma and the other choice is under construction in another location of Ramsey. He indicated the Management Team can reach out to parties to rekindle interest.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Ramsey, seconded by Commissioner Tossey, to adjourn the Regular Meeting of the Housing and Redevelopment Authority.

Motion carried.

The Regular Meeting of the Housing and Redevelopment Authority adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kurtis G. Ulrich
HRA Executive Director

ATTEST:

Jo Ann M. Thieling
City Clerk

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