

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

The Housing and Redevelopment Authority conducted a regular meeting on Tuesday, April 10, 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
 Parks Supervisor Mark Riverblood
 Senior Planner Timothy Gladhill
 Planning Intern Patrick Brama
 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 7:35 p.m.

2. CITIZEN INPUT

There was none.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

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

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner Strommen, seconded by Commissioner Ramsey, to approve the following minutes with a correction to the February 6, 2012, minutes, Page 4, 7th paragraph, to indicate: "...She stated that when they do appraisals for the State, they get ~~three~~ an appraisals plus a technical review."

HRA Meeting Minutes dated February 6, 2012, as revised above.

HRA Meeting Minutes dated February 14, 2012

HRA Meeting Minutes dated February 21, 2012

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

5. HRA BUSINESS

5.01: Approve Grading for the Creation of Five Lots – Test Plot Development at North Commons

Parks Supervisor Riverblood reviewed the staff report. He commented on the importance of the timeline to move forward so there is a full growing season to obtain good data and make the land available by the end of October for platting and resale. Since the lots would contain these improvements, they would be considered premium lots. Park Supervisor Riverblood explained this experiment can be continued to next year, if desired, to obtain data on a fully established lawn.

Motion by Commissioner Ramsey, seconded by Commissioner Elvig, to approve the earthwork and creation of the five lots to be funded by the COR Revolving Fund in the amount of \$33,295 and the grading, hauling, and topsoil spreading for North Commons concurrent with the lot grading, and funded by the Park Trust Fund in the amount of \$21,695.

Further discussion: The Commissioners stated its support to continue the study to next year to gain data on the condition of the turf following a winter season and impact of top soil depths.

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

6. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

HRA Executive Director Nelson reported on the ground breaking of The Residents at The COR and progress on the rail station. She noted staff is preparing for the International Council of Shopping Centers show and advised of on-going negotiations.

City Administrator Ulrich announced the upcoming Business Expo event.

7. COMMISSIONER INPUT

None.

8. ADJOURNMENT

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

Motion carried.

The regular meeting of the Housing and Redevelopment Authority adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kurtis G. Ulrich for Heidi A. Nelson
HRA Executive Director

ATTEST:

Jo Ann M. Thieling
City Clerk

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