

May 3, 2010
7:52 P.M.
Newport, Oregon

The Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Newport met on the above date in the Council Chambers of the Newport City Hall. On roll call, Bain, Brusselback, Bertuleit, Kilbride, McConnell, Obteshka, and Patrick were present.

Staff present was City Manager Voetberg, City Recorder Hawker, City Attorney McCarthy, Community Development Director Tokos, Assistant Finance Director Brown, and Police Lieutenant Teem.

CONSENT CALENDAR

The consent calendar consisted of the following item:

A. Approval of the Urban Renewal Agency minutes of the April 19, 2010 meeting.

MOTION was made by Bain, seconded by Bertuleit, to approve the consent calendar as presented. The motion carried unanimously in a voice vote.

ACTION ITEMS

Consideration of a Sixth Amendment to the South Beach Urban Renewal Plan and Report. Tokos reported that the issue before the URA is the consideration of Resolution No. 3505 adopting Minor Amendment Six to the South Beach Urban Renewal Plan to shift \$2,154,000 of the \$3 million budgeted for “existing street right-of-way improvements” from the Urban Renewal Phase 3 to Phase 1; update the tax increment revenue forecast to account for the arrival of NOAA’s Pacific Fleet headquarters; and to revise the debt service schedule to reflect a refinancing of the District’s debt. McConnell asked whether there is hope for a connection along Ash Street. Tokos noted that improvements can be made on an interim basis. MOTION was made by Bain, seconded by McConnell, to adopt Resolution No. 3505, a resolution adopting Minor Amendment Six to the South Beach Urban Renewal Plan. David Allen asked whether this is going to be part of the URA budget for 2010-11 budget, and how is it going to relate to the budget process. Tokos reported that this is an amendment to the phasing plan. It amends the plan to allow for the city to go out for the two million in bonds for additional construction dollars. The motion carried unanimously in a voice vote.

Resolution No. 2010-1 authorizing pay-off of the North Side Urban Renewal District. It was noted that the issue before the URA is whether to prepay or defease some of the outstanding debt of the North Side URD. With this early repayment, less increment will be required to be levied, and this will free up tax monies to all overlapping districts and the city’s general fund. Brown stated that she believes this will add \$750,000 to city

budget. MOTION was made by Bain, seconded by McConnell, to adopt Resolution No. 2010-1, authorizing prepayment of outstanding borrowings of the North Side Urban Renewal District and limitation of collections for that area. The motion carried unanimously in a voice vote.

Approval of task orders for engineering services to David Evans and Associates for two URA projects: Ash Street; and Marine Science Center Drive projects. Ritzman reported that the issue before the URA is the approval of two task orders for David Evans and Associates for engineering services for the Ash Street improvements project, and for the Marine Science Drive improvements project (South Beach Transportation Improvements). He added that staff recommends approval of task orders #3 and #4 for David Evans and Associates for engineering services for SE Ash Street, in an amount not to exceed \$75,100, and for the Marine Science Drive improvements, in an amount not to exceed \$382,056. He noted that task order #3 is in this year's budget, and task order #4 is in next year's budget (pending approval of budget committee). Ritzman noted that there is sufficient money to begin work on task order #4 with a limit on dollars. Kilbride noted that task order #3 has missing words in the second sentence of C. MOTION was made by Bain, seconded by Kilbride, to approve task orders #3 for David Evans and Associates and authorize the city manager to sign the respective work scopes, and to approve task order #4 pending Budget Committee approval to the same company, and to incorporate the addition of the word fees on task order 3. The motion carried unanimously in a voice vote.

Patrick asked whether Ross Schultz would be attending Wednesday's Budget Committee meeting, and it was noted that he will not be in attendance. It was noted that he talked about potential revenue streams that might fund some north side projects that are still in existence. She stated that she would be interested in hearing this. She asked the executive director to arrange for Schultz to make this presentation.

PUBLIC COMMENT

A discussion ensued regarding funding for the Bay Road project that was requested several weeks ago. It was noted that the staff is developing findings to support this funding recommendation.

Obtshka reported that the Greater Newport Lodging Association sent a letter regarding transient room tax.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:12 P.M.

Margaret M. Hawker, City Recorder

Patricia Patrick, Chair