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**NEIGHBORHOOD REVITALIZATION COMMITTEE**  
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Minutes to the Community Development and Neighborhood Revitalization Committee on 6/28/11

Present for the committee: David Berezniak, chair (DB), Emma Mulvaney-Stanak (EMS), Kurt Wright (KW)

Staff present: Larry Kupferman (LK), Jenny Davis, Amber Thibault, Mike Flora

Members of the public: Cindy Bourgault, Peter Garrtiane, Anna Guyton, Peggy Luhrs, Jonathan Leavitt, Lindsey Gillies, Jay Vos, Judith deRancourt

1) Agenda and Minutes:

EMS moves to approve the agenda; KW seconds and so moved.

EMS moves to approve the minutes with amendments as attached; KW seconds and so moved.

2) Public Comment

Anna Guyton spoke on behalf of the NO Lockheed group encouraging the committee to support the resolution as drafted and presented to the committee tonight.

3) NPA Update provided by Jenny Davis:

- Although a lighter summertime schedule is planned the following meetings will be held: Wards 4/7 and 5 will meet in July with a special school board election for Ward 5 and Ward 4/7 meeting in August for their summer BBQ.
- The all wards Steering Committee meeting in 8/31
- 2011 Neighborhood Improvement Nights considering the Legacy Plan update and the Downtown Waterfront HUD Challenge grant
- The steering committee is recruiting new members, and redrafting NPA by-laws.

EMS suggests that updates be included as a communication to the Council as a consent agenda item.

4) WiFi for Downtown:

Mike Flora told the committee that WiFi is available at City Hall, City Hall Park but not so at mid-block or upper block of Church Street. He estimates that additional installations would cost \$2500 each and would hope a grant application could be submitted to raise the funds. 3-4 installations would be necessary to reach the whole of Church St. Marketplace.

EMS: suggests Marketplace and/or business sponsorship.

DB: asks if this expense would be CDBG eligible and suggests that expanded WiFi could be a marketing value for BT.

- 5) A resolution regarding Community Standards with regard to climate change partners, sponsors and contractors.

LK reviewed the minutes from the March committee meeting and reports that the committee did not take “formal” action with a vote but the sentiment of the committee that evening was to focus on climate change activities.

EMS: she recalls the effort to limit the scope of community standards and the sponsorship of activities and not open it up for broader applications.

The consensus of the committee is reaffirmed tonight as to the focus on climate change related sponsorships.

EMS reviews the 6/28 draft with input from the committee, LK and members of the public:

- a) LK: there is language that suggests the standards be considered “advisory” but there is also prescriptive language included.
- b) DB: concerned about the resolved clause regarding a proven track record of successful public-private partnerships and requests that it be removed;
- c) LK: there is a reference to the “Project for Government Oversight’s Federal Contractor Misconduct Database” which he does not think is a federal resource but a compilation made by others;
- d) Judith deRancourt expressed concern about branding in general and DB asked if the city had an option not to accept logos, in general.

EMS moves that the committee support the resolution with the following conditions:

- a) the overall language be reviewed by Richard as an “advisory” document
- b) can sponsorship partners be subject to the existing prequalification of contractors when the relationship is a sponsorship
- c) should there be a verifiable source to determine the engagement of child labor
- d) if this resolution is advisory, then do the penalties described in the final clause remain possible.

EMS wishes the Council take this up at its August meeting.

KW seconds and so moved 3-0.

- 6) A motion to make the 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month, 6 pm, the standing meeting time for the committee:

EMS moves, KW seconds and so moved.

(LK note: this motion should have been the first TUESDAY of the month at 6 pm and will have to be re-entered at the next meeting.)

Meeting adjourns at 6:35.

Notes submitted by Larry Kupferman