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MEMO

To: Asheboro Redevelopment Commission
From: John N. Ogburn, III, City Manager
Date: April 2, 2015
RE: Asheboro Redevelopment Commission Regular Meeting

The Asheboro Redevelopment Commission will have its regularly scheduled meeting on **Monday, April 6, 2015, at 9:00 a.m.** at City Hall, in the Council Chambers located at 146 N. Church Street.

AGENDA
ASHEBORO REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
Monday, April 6, 2015
9:00 AM

- I. Call To Order
- II. Approve Minutes of Last Meeting (March 2, 2015)
- III. Update on Redevelopment Commission Vacancy
- IV. Discussion of Land Development Plan Update Status
- V. Report on 2015 Great Main Street Award (Justin Luck will present this item)
- VI. Report on 2015 All America City Application Status (Leigh Anna Johnson will present this item)
- VII. Items Not on the Agenda
- VIII. Adjourn

Minutes
Asheboro Redevelopment Commission
March 2, 2015
9:00 AM

The Asheboro Redevelopment Commission held its meeting on Monday, March 2, 2015, at 9:00 AM at Public Works located at 1312 North Fayetteville Street, Asheboro, NC 27203

Members Present:

Linda Carter, Chair
Cynthia Bailey, Vice Chair
David Jarrell
Tommy Lemonds
Ann McGlohon
Katie Snuggs
Roger Spoon

Also present were John Ogburn, City Manager; John Evans, Assistant Community Development Division Director; Brad Morton, Planning Technician/Deputy City Clerk; Trevor Nuttall, Community Development Division Director

No citizens were present at this time.

Ms. Linda Carter called the meeting to order.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. David Jarrell made a motion to approve the February 2, 2015 regular meeting minutes. Ms. Katie Snuggs seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Code Enforcement Update

Mr. Ed Brown, Code Enforcement Officer with the City of Asheboro, gave a presentation to the Commission regarding code enforcement activities. He started off the presentation by stating that for years, the city has performed minimum housing inspections for residential structures. He went on to mention the recent City Council action to adopt a non-residential building maintenance code with an effective date of January 1, 2015. He stated that the effects of code enforcement deliver a safer, healthier and more attractive environment for residents and businesses. He showed some examples of dilapidated structures. He outlined the steps that he would take to enforce the non-residential building maintenance code starting with a database of the most apparent violations on the major thoroughfares in the city, then notifying property owners and parties of interest and then

beginning the compliance process. He then showed a sample template letter that would be used to notify the property owners and parties of interest. He gave an overview of code enforcement cases in 2014 including the removal of around 1,400 non-permitted signs as well as 21 removed dilapidated structures. He showed more examples of nuisances, overgrown lots, junk and junk vehicles as well as some housing code examples that he has worked on in the past and then went over the abatement process for said violations that occur on a day to day basis. He concluded by stating voluntary compliance is what he seeks, but there are other ways for compliance if the need is there.

Request by Ms. Patsy Miller Hinkle to Cancel Lien for Demolition Costs Incurred at 163 East Academy Street

Mr. Nuttall reported on this particular request. He stated that Ms. Hinkle has been faithfully paying the city for this lien and has requested that the debt be forgiven in hopes that the property will be sold. He stated that staff is interested in seeing development on the property as it was recently rezoned to the B3 Central Commercial District. Mr. Ogburn also stated that this matter would go before the City Council at their March meeting and that staff recommends approval of this. He stated that the Redevelopment Commission would need to make a recommendation to the City Council. After some discussion on the merits of the request, Mr. Jarrell made a motion to recommend to the City Council cancellation of the lien for demolition costs incurred at 163 East Academy Street. Ms. Bailey seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Report on Business Openings/Closings

Mr. Nuttall reported on several of the openings and closings within the jurisdiction of the City of Asheboro. Included in these openings and closings were Harbor Freight at the former K-Mart building. He mentioned speaking with Planet Fitness, yet no official paperwork has been filed. He also mentioned seeing a conceptual drawing of East Coast Wings, but no official paperwork has been filed. He also mentioned that Sweet Frog has turned in their official paperwork. There was some discussion about Fred's closing as well as the JC Penney closing some time in July. Mr. Nuttall also mentioned the addition at Blue Luna Tattoo Shop as well as Mattress Firm going into the old Papa John's location.

Report on Redevelopment Commission Vacancy

Mr. Nuttall mentioned that Mike O'Kelley has shown interest and submitted an application to serve on the Redevelopment Commission. He talked about some of the qualifications Mr. O'Kelley indicated on his application and stated that it looks like Mr. O'Kelley would be a good member of the commission.

Items Not on the Agenda

Mr. Ogburn mentioned that there would be a Kayser Roth tour for the City Council. He also mentioned that the Council would be going to Raleigh, North Carolina on March 18th for the Town Hall Day. He stated that the same night of March 18th, Clyde Foust would be honored at the Sunset Theatre. He stated that on March 25th, he, Mayor Smith and Engineering staff would go to Georgia and take a tour of a landfill to learn more about utility service provision to landfills. He also thanked the street crews and staff for their work during the recent inclement weather. Ms. Snuggs thanked the water maintenance department for the quick attention to a broken water line in her neighborhood. Mr. Ogburn also mentioned the recent swearing in ceremony for the New Chief of Police, Jody Williams.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Mr. Lemonds made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Jarrell seconded the motion and the motion was carried, afterward the meeting was adjourned.

Brad Morton, Secretary
Asheboro Redevelopment Commission