

REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MEETING – TIF - SPECIAL
NOVEMBER 9, 2006
TIME: 6:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Lowell Rethlake, Helen Gardner, Ken Dornich, Dennis Doerflinger and Doug Fry.

President Lowell Rethlake called the meeting to order with roll call taken.

Steering Committee members present: Ron Taylor, Daniel Syrus, Darren Burkhart of HNTB, Shawn Green, Steve Meyer, Bryan Robbins, Tom Hunter, Steve Freeman and Judy Rust.

RE: Meeting is to inform the Tif Board of enhancement ideas and a public meeting.

A large crowd was in attendance.

Lowell Rethlake brought up the funding for the Japan trip since all the members were present and the Board denied the funding.

Lowell then turned the meeting over to Ron Taylor of HNTB and the steering committee.

Darren Burkhart of HNTB brought necessary agreement papers for signatures extending the Lincoln Street project from Montgomery to First Street.

Ron Taylor of HNTB told the Board the reason for this public meeting is to bring everyone up to speed on what the steering committee has come up with on design for enhancements.

They gave their preliminary proposed concepts of their master plan. The timeline was shown. The end of January is the deadline for applying for the Transportation Enhancement Grant. The awarding of the grant will be sometime in the summer of 2007.

Lowell Rethlake encouraged anyone with any ideas to present them to the steering committee.

One of the business owners questioned if the utility lines could be buried.

Ron Taylor stated that to bury the utility lines is usually a very substantial cost and the cost is to the City. Sometimes having the utility lines moved to the back of the property is not as expensive.

Mayor Manus stated that he would be willing to talk with representatives of Duke Energy.

One steering committee member questioned if Tif monies could be used.

The City Attorney Steve Taylor explained that the Tif monies cannot be used for private businesses of moving utility lines or burying utility lines.

Ron Taylor questioned if the City could install a utility duct bank and lease out to the utility companies.

Banners were brought up that a lot of time they get beaten up, torn and weather worn.

The Steering Committee stated they looked at a way to have maintenance on the banners and the planters, shrubs and trees.

A question came up about extending the enhancement to the West area to 421.

The City Attorney Steve Taylor questioned the Steering Committee of where the monies would come from for the maintenance.

Ron Taylor told the monies could be put in the City's Budget and was not sure if it could come from Tif.

The Steering Committee will have their next meeting on November 28th.

The next regular Tif Board meeting will be November 30th at 7:00 P.M. at city hall.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 P.M.

PRESIDING OFFICER: _____

ATTEST:

Clerk-Treasurer