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Monday, January 8, 2018

5:30 P.M.

Boardroom

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting was called to order at 5:34 pm by Henry Ayala.

2. SELF INTRODUCTIONS

Henry Ayala, Rob Steinmuller, John McIntire, James Hawthorne, Deniece Marshall, Charlie Keyes, Jack Cords, Bernie Edmonds, Mike Sadeghian, Oswaldo Puerta, Chris MacArthur, Diana Media, Andrew Guerra, Nathan Freeman, Kate S. (Janice Penner), Michelle Davis, Alex Nguyen, Emilio Ramirez, Edyee Jimenez

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Individual participation is limited to 3 minutes.

No Comments.

4. PRESENTATIONS

Individual participation is limited to 5 minutes.

1. City of Riverside: Office of Homeless Solutions/Housing First Model

Alex and Emilio shared the City of Riverside's Office of Homeless Solutions published its draft Housing First strategy, which is designed to reduce the number of people who are homeless, and is seeking the public's comment on the plan. The Housing First strategy is a community-based program designed to address homelessness across Riverside, relying on partnerships to develop much-needed projects and programs. The approach is seen as a way to allocate scarce resources to amplify City efforts to combat homelessness. The Housing First Plan, modified with public comment collected this month, is expected to be considered by the City Council on Feb. 27. "The Housing First Plan is ultimately about assisting the most vulnerable Riverside residents with meeting their needs for basic survival and providing them with general support as they begin the process of charting a course for recovering their lives," said Emilio Ramirez, Director of the Office of Homeless Solutions. The plan calls out to build 400 diverse units across the City and the unit reflects the community in which they are built in. Ramirez shared proposed sites in Wards 5 and 6. The Housing First Plan specifically supports the core principles of permanent supportive housing, and embracing people experiencing street homelessness who have a mental health or addiction challenge, untreated mental illness or addiction that drives them to live on the street. Copies Plan are available on the City's website - <http://www.riversideca.gov/H1plan>.
Comments can be emailed to

H1plancomment@riversideca.gov. Comments can also be mailed to: City of Riverside Housing Authority, ATTN: H1 Plan Comment, 3900 Main Street, Riverside CA 92522.

Ayala invited Alex and Emilio to return to ABP for a follow up on the topic.

5. CITY DEPARTMENTAL UPDATES

1. City Council Member – Ward 5
2. City Council Member – Ward 6
3. Community & Economic Development Department
4. Riverside Police Department

MacArthur shared the CBU Events Center is doing well and packed with activity. Sadeghian gave a brief update on the Magnolia building construction.

Medina shared Council Member Perry is now the City's appointed representative to the League of California Cities which share the same meeting schedule as ABP. Medina stated she and Perry will alternate in attending ABP meetings. Medina invited ABP to the Ward 6 Community Meeting on Thursday, January 11th at 6:30 pm at the Magnolia Police Station. Ayala congratulated Medina on her recent graduation and baby.

Freedman announced he will be the new CEDD representative for ABP going forward. Freeman shared the City-owned vacant lot at the corner of Van Buren and Hayes has been sold to a dentist who is going to build a small medical office. The City has closed escrow with him and has until October to start construction; he is actively seeking a contractor. Freedman offered kudos to Sadeghian for the interest is projects are generating. The House of TV Building is owner by a developer out of Los Angeles who has had offers from Starbucks and In-N-Out but did not work out since they wanted to tear down the building. The House of TV owner is now working with Bill Burnet, who is looking into an adaptive reuse of the building for a retail project there.

Guerra shared a written report provided by the Police Department.

6. RIVERSIDE DOWNTOWN PARTNERSHIP UPDATE

Kate shared information on the RDP Annual Meeting and update on the Red Dress Fashion Show. Sadeghian suggested that ABP partner with RDP on a light parade from Arlington to Downtown on the Festival of Lights kick-off to involve groups from across the city.

7. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION

1. Event Coordinator Update – 16th Annual Chili Cook-Off & Car/Cycle Show
2. Staffing Plan for Arlington Business Partnership

Hawthorne stated he talked with Maartin and shared he will attend meetings going forward. Maartin is close to making a deal with the casino and Chevy dealership. He will then make way with smaller sponsorship. Maartin welcomes Members ideas and invites you to contact him or Andrew.

Ayala shared that Shereena Ho left ABP in early December. 6 applicants have applied and a couple have a 2nd interviewed scheduled.

3. Arlington Business Improvement District Clean & Safe Program Update Steinmuller stated that ABP closed the 3-month program with Barry's Security and is working on generating a proposal to submit to the City of Riverside for assistance in the continuance of such a program.

8. COMMITTEE UPDATES

1. Physical Improvements Steinmuller provided a brief update on the Physical Improvement committees activities and projects.
2. Marketing & Promotions Edmonds provided a brief update on the Marketing Committees activities and projects.

9. CONSENT ITEMS

- Approval of Minutes
Board of Directors Meeting Minutes of December 11, 2017 Tabled to next meeting.

Approval of Financial Reports
As of December 31, 2017 Approved.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 6:52 pm.