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**COLUMBIA GATEWAY URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY**

**CITY OF THE DALLES**

**MINUTES**

**COLUMBIA GATEWAY URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY BOARD**

Meeting Conducted in a Room in Compliance with ADA Standards

**Tuesday, November 21, 2017**

5:30 p.m.

City Hall Council Chambers

313 Court Street

The Dalles, Oregon

**CALL TO ORDER**

Vice Chair Miller called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Scott Baker, Staci Coburn, John Fredrick, Darcy Long-Curtiss (participating via telephone), Linda Miller, Chuck Raleigh and Kathleen Schwartz

Absent: Taner Elliott and Steve Kramer

Staff Present: Planning Director and Urban Renewal Manager Steve Harris and City Attorney Gene Parker

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Vice Chair Miller led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Board Member Fredrick moved to approve the agenda; Board Member Coburn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Board Member Fredrick moved to approve the October 17, 2017 and October 30, 2017 minutes as written. Board Member Raleigh seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Victor Johnson  
313 W. 4<sup>th</sup> Street  
The Dalles, Oregon 97058

Mr. Johnson stated his concerns regarding public spaces. Johnson said it was important to retain public spaces such as alleys and bike lanes.

## **ACTION ITEM**

### **Property Rehabilitation Loan and Grant Program Status Update**

Director Harris presented the staff report.

Board discussion topics included:

- Remaining funds in the budget
- Staff approval of administrative projects in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00
- Funds available to prepare properties for sale
- Marketing of available properties for sale

Board Member Baker moved that the Board direct staff to suspend the acceptance of applications for Urban Renewal Agency Property Rehabilitation Loan and Grant Programs for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2017/2018 with the exception of applications less than \$10,000.00 which will be handled administratively. Board Member Schwartz seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously. Board Member Long-Curtiss did not participate in the vote; the telephone connection had been dropped.

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Vice Chair Miller read the rules for Executive Session. Miller recessed to Executive Session at 5:48 p.m.

Vice Chair Miller reconvened Open Session at 6:49 p.m.

## **OPEN SESSION**

Board Member Fredrick moved to direct staff to hire a realtor to aggressively market both the Blue Building and Recreation Building. Board Member Coburn seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

## **STAFF COMMENTS**

The next regularly scheduled meeting is December 19, 2017. Board consensus was to cancel the December 19 meeting.

## **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS**

None.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Vice Chair Miller adjourned the meeting at 6:59 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted  
Paula Webb, Planning Secretary

  
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Taner Elliott, Chair