

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING**  
**OF**  
**REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER THIRTEEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS**

October 10, 2012

The Board of Directors (the “Board”) of Reinvestment Zone Number Thirteen, City of Houston, Texas (the “Zone”), convened in regular session, open to the public, on the 10th day of October 2012, and the roll was called of the duly constituted officers and members of the Board, to-wit:

Claude Anello	Chair
Steve Kirkland	Vice Chair
Larissa Lindsay	Secretary
Cynthia Card	Assistant Secretary
Patricia Garza	Director
Monica Savino	Director
Alice Valdez	Director
Ann Guercio	Director

and all of said persons were present except Director Kirkland, thus constituting a quorum.

Also present were: Clark Lord and Debbie Russell of Bracewell & Giuliani, LLP; Ralph De Leon and Lisa Johnson of the City of Houston; Melissa Morton of The Morton Accounting Services; and Blake McGregor of Edminster Hinshaw Russ & Associates (“EHRA”).

**DETERMINE QUORUM; CALL TO ORDER**

Director Anello noted that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order.

**APPROVE MINUTES**

The Board considered approving the minutes of September 12, 2012. Following discussion, upon a motion made by Director Lindsay and seconded by Director Guercio, the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of September 12, 2012.

**PROJECTS REPORT**

**Committee for Design of Decatur Park**

The Board agreed to move forward with Dow Park and defer action on Decatur Park until further notice. Mr. De Leon reported that the Zone could enter into a master agreement for project design and construction with the City of Houston. He stated that

Ms. Johnson could get some cost estimates for some of the projects that were discussed earlier.

After further discussion, Director Lindsay moved that the Board authorize the Projects Committee to take any necessary action to move the project forward at a cost not to exceed \$25,000. Director Card seconded the motion and it carried with a vote of six for the motion. Director Garza abstained from voting on the matter.

#### Recommendations for Livable Study Proposals

Director Savino presented drawings of options for the bike trail that is being designed through the Zone. She stated that that the high volume of traffic on Silver makes it less desirable for a bike trail and suggested the proposed trail be shifted to Hemphill even though it has only a 50 foot right-of-way. The Board noted that since work is already planned for Hemphill, that might be the better option for the trail. Director Savino stated that the sidewalk on one side of Hemphill could be eliminated to allow for the construction of the trail. The Board authorized Director Savino to submit the suggested change to the Livable Study Committee.

#### Community Outreach Program

Director Anello reported that Elizabeth Brooks had updated the Zone's website with the names of the directors, Mr. De Leon and Mr. Lord.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

There was no executive session for the month.

#### **ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING**

The Board discussed cancelling the December Board meeting, but authorized the Finance Committee to approve any invoices that require payment before the next meeting. The Board requested that an item be added to the agenda for the next meeting regarding the Community Outreach Program.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no comments from the public.

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Secretary

**LIST OF ATTACHMENTS**