

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

OF

REINVESTMENT ZONE NUMBER THIRTEEN, CITY OF HOUSTON, TEXAS

April 13, 2016

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 13th day of April 2016, and the roll was called of the duly constituted officers and members of the Board, to-wit:

Claude Anello	Chair
Jason Johnson	Vice Chair
Larissa Lindsay	Secretary
Cynthia Card	Assistant Secretary
Patricia Garza	Director
Alice Valdez	Director
Ann Guercio	Director
Chris Silkwood	Director

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

Also present were: Clark Lord and Debbie Russell of Bracewell LLP; Blake McGregor of Edminster Hinshaw Russ & Associates (“EHRA”); Gary Hill of the City of Houston; Suzanna Mitchell of the Sawyer Heights Arts District; and Cassandra Bacon of The Morton Accounting Services.

DETERMINE QUORUM; CALL TO ORDER

Director Anello noted that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order. He requested that the attendees introduce themselves.

APPROVE MINUTES

The Board considered approving the minutes of February 10, 2016. Director Anello moved that the Board approve the minutes of February 10, 2016. Director Card seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

PRESENTATION FROM SAWYER HEIGHTS ART DISTRICT

Ms. Mitchell addressed the Board to report on development in the Sawyer Heights Art District. She stated that the Silos project received a certificate of occupancy and is leasing studio space to local artists. Ms. Mitchell also reported that the Houston Fine Arts Fair will be moving to Silver Street this year which is a significant achievement for the District. She then noted that \$10,000,000 will be available to cultural districts and upon application funding can be granted for signage in the District.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

MECA Meeting Room

The Board next discussed the rehabilitation of the meeting room in MECA the lease proposed by MECA. Mr. Lord stated that he contacted the auditor and confirmed that a long term lease for the room will not affect the tax exempt status of MECA.

Community Outreach Program

There was no report for the month.

Boundary Expansion

Mr. Lord reported that plans for expansion are not being considered until the new administration is acclimated. The Board deferred action on the matter.

MECA'S REPORT

Director Valdez reported on activities at MECA and stated that a number of fun programs are planned for the summer.

The Board next discussed the condition of the park next to the Senior Center and the possible installation of art and tile on the bench. Director Garza expressed concern that the park is not being maintained properly.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no executive session for the month.

ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

There were no items for the next meeting

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments from the public.

Secretary
