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MDC PROPERTY AND PARKING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
Wednesday, August 21, 2019
3pm
City Hall, City Council Conference Room

Attendees: Ashley Squyres, Todd Lakey, Dave Winder, Richard Everett, Lindsay Bowshier, Saul Hernandez, Renee White, Caleb Hood, Cameron Arial, Tammy de Weerd, Bill Truax, Rob Fraiser, Zach Clegg

1. UPRR Status Update (Ashley)

Ashley provided a status of the MDC UPRR lease:

- Lease signed by UPRR and returned to MDC with keys
- The eastern third of the property was also included in the lease
- ProBuild is terminating their lease for the west third of the property and this should be complete in early 2020. UPRR will include this into MDC's lease.
- UPRR provided the environmental reports for all buildings on the properties.
- One building in the center parcel has tested positive for asbestos. UPRR will be remediating this building within the next month.

That all being said, there may be a different and new opportunity....

2. UPRR Request Consideration (Ashley/Bill Truax)

Ashley introduced Bill Truax, the Principal of Galena Opportunity Fund. Bill is working with Bill Ditz to complete the purchase of the UPRR easement and the underlying properties. Once completed, Bill Truax will move forward with the overall development of the UPRR property from Main Street to East Third Street. Bill would like to work with MDC on partnerships including: the cleanup and razing of the buildings, right-of-way improvements along East Third and South Broadway, and other potential infrastructure projects. Ashley will coordinate a meeting with MDC legal and leadership along with Bill and his team to discuss further.

3. Civic Block RFP Update (Cameron/Ashley)

Ashley and Cameron reviewed the status of the project and the schedule of the next steps.

4. VRT Harvest Transit Update (David P.)

David P. was unable to attend the meeting. The Mayor stated there were approximately 1700-rides in July 2019.

5. Parking Request by the City of Meridian (Ashley)

Ashley reviewed the parking request by the City to change the Main Street parking from South Broadway Avenue to the UPRR tracks from unlimited to 2-hour parking in order to deter city employee parking.

6. Code Enforcement Update (Richard)

No issues.

7. Nine Mile Update (Ashley)

The committee ran out of time. Ashley referred to the latest information from FEMA found in the committee packets. Next steps is for the City and MDC to discuss and determine next steps.

Executive Session per Idaho State Code 74-206: The Committee may go into executive session pursuant to Idaho Code Section 74-206 with the specific applicable code subsection cited as part of the motion to go into executive session.

