



**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
TOWN HALL  
April 5, 2022 — 6:00 p.m.**

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**1. Call to Order/Roll Call at 6:01 p.m.**

<b>Members Present:</b>	<b>Members Absent:</b>
Vice-Chair Clark Member Byers Member Paré-Miller Member Ponomareff Member Pastizzo Member Greider	Chair Ayers-Flood
<b>Also Present:</b>	
Jon Legarza, Executive Director	

**2. Speakers Heard on Non-Agenda Items**

None.

**3. Consent Agenda**

**3.1 Approval of Regular and Study Session Meeting Minutes for March 1st, 2022**

Vice-Chair Clark mentioned a possible typo to review on the regular session minutes.

**Motion:** Member Paré-Miller moved to approve the consent agenda. The motion was seconded.

**Discussion:** None.

**Vote:** All ayes; motion carries.

**4. Regular Agenda**

**4.1 Approval for Agency to Apply for Rural Innovation Stronger Economy (RISE) Grant Funding with Talent Maker City**

Staff Report – Executive Director

Legarza provided a short overview of the RISE program and potential to author a joint-application with TMC for the competitive grant program administered by USDA.

Discussion:

- Vice-Chair Clark inquired about how the funds would be used.
  - Legarza clarified that it would be used for construction.
  - Legarza also clarified that the Agency would be responsible for reporting to a follow-up question.

**Motion:** Member Byers moved to direct the Agency to draft an application in partnership with Talent Maker City for the Rural Innovation Stronger Economy (RISE) Grant program, administered by the USDA. The motion was seconded.

**Discussion:** None.

**Vote:** All ayes; motion carries.

#### 4.2 Budget Priorities Discussion

Staff Report – Executive Director

Legarza provided a short staff report with some budget ideas for the FY 2022-2023 budget cycle. Some areas that Legarza mentioned included: infrastructure improvements, town hall renovation, Wagner Road right-of-way, property acquisition, main street program training, recovery grants, and Gateway RFEI.

Discussion:

- Member Ponomareff thanked Legarza for preparing the budget ideas
- Member Byers inquired about the business support programs
  - Legarza responded about the business recovery and support idea being for future grant programs, centered on technical assistance
- Vice-Chair Clark thanked Legarza for preparing the budget ideas

#### 4.3 Budget Officer Designation

Staff Report – Executive Director

Legarza read the staff report for the agenda item.

Discussion:

- None.

**Motion:** Member Byers moved to appoint Executive Director, Jon Legarza, as the Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Talent's 2022-2023 Budget Officer. The motion was seconded.

**Discussion:** None.

**Vote:** All ayes; motion carries.

#### 4.4 Budget Committee Appointment

Staff Report – Executive Director

Legarza read the staff report and detailed the potential budget committee member names.

Discussion:

- Member Byers inquired about the preparedness of the budget committee members.
  - Legarza stated that he would reach out following their confirmation to the committee.

**Motion:** Member Byers moved to confirm the appointment Zach Zegzdryn, Felicia Hazel, Anna D'Amato, Ryan Pederson, Joi Riley, and Jerry Leigh to the FY 2022-23 TURA Budget Committee. The motion was seconded.

**Discussion:** None.

**Vote:** All ayes; motion carries.

#### 4.5 Discussion on Potential Future Work Plan Staffing & Transition

Staff Report – Executive Director

Legarza read the staff report on the agenda item. Legarza then provided some key areas of assistance that the City could provide the Agency. Some of these areas included: community engagement, asset management, project management, urban forestry, grant writing, housing program, economic vitality, budget, AR/AP, online presence assistance.

Discussion:

- Vice-Chair Clark recognized the contributions that Legarza made to the Agency and the Talent Community.
- Member Ponomareff echoed Vice-Chair Clark's comments. Member Ponomareff then inquired about City capacity.
  - City Manager Jordan Rooklyn stated that she is having conversations with other taxing districts on how to best staff the Agency moving forward.
- Vice-Chair Clark mentioned the thoughtfulness behind the transition and that we his optimistic of the future of the Agency.

**Motion:** Member Pastizzo moves to direct Agency staff to continue to coordinate with the City of Talent on developing an IGA and identifying future Agency staffing opportunities. The motion was seconded.

**Discussion:** None.

**Vote:** All ayes; motion carries.

#### 5. Items from Executive Director

Legarza provided an update that highlighted the upcoming visioning sessions, outreach with Gateway residents, open house flyer, Malmgren Garage application, asset management, and a recently submitted OCF grant application for public art.

#### 6. Items from Chair or Agency Members

Vice-Chair Clark mentioned the upcoming City of Talent's arbor day celebration on the upcoming Saturday and plan to plant 85 trees during the effort.

#### 7. Adjournment at 6:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:



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Jon Legarza, Executive Director

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