

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES TOWN HALL October 5, 2021 — 6:00 p.m.

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1. Call to Order/Roll Call at 6:02 p.m.

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

2. Speakers Heard on Non-Agenda Items

None

3. Consent Agenda

3.1 Approval of Study Session and Regular Meeting Minutes for August 3rd, 2021 and September 7th, 2021

Motion: Member Byers moves to pass the consent agenda. Member Ponomareff seconded. **Discussion:** None. **Vote:** All ayes; motion carries.

4. Regular Agenda

4.1 Talent Urban Renewal Workplan, Next Steps

Staff Report – Executive Director

Legarza provided an update on the urban renewal workplan and next steps forward, including the in-depth future study items that the Agency and the City would have to review. Legarza stated that the Agency has remained committed to seeing how a new urban renewal plan could help pave the way within the long-range recovery from the devastating effects of the Almeda fire.

Discussion:

- Member Ponomareff inquired about the timing for establishing the boundary.
 - Legarza stated in October or November should be established to target the adoption of the plan by July 2022.
- Clark inquired about the boundaries and possible adjustments, including in relation to the previous plan area.

Motion: Member Paré-Miller moves to direct staff to follow the Agency's procurement procedures to obtain professional services for the creation of a new urban renewal workplan. Member Pastizzo seconded.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes; motion carries.

4.2 Discussion and Staff Direction on Potential Future Property Acquisition and Transportation System Plan Alignment, Tax Lots 381W23DC - 2200 & 381W23DC - 2100

Staff Report – Executive Director

Legarza provided a staff report regarding the potential acquisitions of tax lots 381W23DC - 2200 & 381W23DC – 2100, after being approach from the City of Talent. Legarza stated the Agency has experience in acquiring the property and would be happy to conduct due-diligence surrounding the potential acquisitions.

Discussion:

- Member Ponomareff inquired about the possibilities to emphasize other transport means within the area.
- Member Pastizzo mentioned that a 70' road could provide space for bike access.
- Member Ponomareff stated that she believes that the Transportation System Plan was last revisited in 2015, and it might be useful to revisit the plan.
- Member Pastizzo stated that he believes it would advantageous to develop the other arterial road to the roundabout.

Motion: Member Paré-Miller moves to direct Agency staff to coordinate with City Staff to assess the transportation impacts and determine funding availability to acquire Tax Lots 381W23DC - 2200 & 381W23DC – 2100. Byers seconded.

Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes; motion carries.

4.3 Consideration of 102 Home Street Lease Agreement with Rogue Action Center

Staff Report – Executive Director

Legarza discussed the unique opponent to have a key partner within the Talent recovery process rent the property located at 102 Home Street. The lease agreement would have Rogue Action Center cover all utilities and landscaping costs.

Discussion:

• None

Motion: Member Byers moves to direct staff to execute the draft lease agreement for 102 Home Street with Rogue Action Center. Ponomareff seconded.

Discussion: Member Ponomareff thanked Rogue Action Center, Rogue Climate, and Talent Maker City for all their work that they completed after the Almeda Fire and their continued work with the communities impacted by the Almeda Fire. Vice-Chair Clark seconded the comments, and highlighted the significance that the non-profit has played within the community since the devastating fire.

Vote: All ayes; motion carries.

4.4 Beautification and Food Truck Grant Programs Update

Staff Report – Executive Director

Legarza provided a staff report that provided a status update on the grant applications submitted to the grant programs that were recently launched by the Agency. Legarza opened up the item to discussion and input from the Board Members.

Discussion:

- Member Byers stated that she thinks it would be helpful to see if the City could promote the grant programs on social media and the homepage of the City's website.
- Vice-Chair Clark stated that it might be helpful to offer to plant the tree to encourage new submissions to the grant program.
 - o Legarza thanked Vice-Chair Clark for the suggestion. Legarza also mentioned it might be helpful to post flyers at nurseries.

Motion: Member Paré-Miller moves to direct Agency Staff to refer current and future beautification grant application submissions to the Urban Forestry Committee of the City of Talent for their review and recommendations. Byers seconded. Discussion: None.

Vote: All ayes; motion carries.

4.5 Gateway Ribbon-Cutting Discussion

Staff Report - Executive Director

Legarza provided an update that mentioned that the proposed ribbon-cutting would be in October 30th at 11:00am. Member Paré-Miller stated that the Talent Public Arts Committee was considering an evening walk on the 30th for el Día de los Muertos. Member Paré-Miller mentioned that the ribbon-cutting would not interfere with the Día de los Muertos events. Member Byers stated that this could be an opportunity to provide an integrated effort to welcome members back to the community. Legarza discussed coordination with partners moving forward.

5. Items from Executive Director

Legarza discussed grant applications, tours of the site with development partners, the delivery of trailers to the Gateway Site, a FAQ for the Gateway Site, the acquisition of gatewaysite.com to direct visitors to a website that has information on the Site, and provide and update on the construction of the site.

6. Items from Chair or Agency Members

None.

7. Adjournment at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

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