

SILVERTON URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY MINUTES

Silverton Community Center – Council Chambers – 421 South Water St.

MONDAY, August 4, 2014, 5:30 PM

I. OPENING CEREMONIES: Call to Order

Board Chairman Rasmussen called the Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

	Present	Absent		Present	Absent
Chair					
Stu Rasmussen	X	_____	Jason Freilinger	X	_____
Bill Cummins	X	_____	Ken Hector	X	_____
Laurie Carter	X*	_____	Scott Walker	X	_____
Randal Thomas	X	_____			

Staff Present:

City Manager, Bob Willoughby; Chief of Police, Jeff Fossholm; Community Development Director, Jason Gottgetreu; Administrative Services Director, Dianne Hunt; Finance Director, Kathleen Zaragoza; and Administrative Assistant/City Clerk, Lisa Figueroa

*Board Member Carter arrived after the Meeting had started.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT – Items not on this Agenda

There were no comments.

III. MINUTES – Approval of the Minutes from the Meeting held July 7, 2014.

Board Member Hector moved to approve the Minutes from the Meeting held July 7, 2014 as presented. Board Member Thomas seconded the motion and it carried as follows:

Aye:	Stu Rasmussen Jason Freilinger Scott Walker Randal Thomas Bill Cummins Ken Hector
Nay:	None
Absent:	Laurie Carter

IV. PUBLIC HEARING

There was none scheduled.

V. DISCUSSION/ACTION

4.1 Resolution No. 2014-02 – A Minor Amendment to the Urban Renewal Plan and Funding Request for the Silverton’s Fallen Heroes Memorial

Community Development Director Jason Gottgetreu said the Fallen Heroes Memorial committee submitted a request to the Budget Committee on May 22. He said the Urban Renewal Plan does allow for funds to be utilized for parks and open spaces, but the memorial is not included in the plan. He indicated the proposed Resolution recommends a minor amendment to add the project into the Urban Renewal Plan. He said the Budget Committee recommended the Urban Renewal Agency (URA) funding the project.

Board Member Hector moved to adopt Resolution 2014-02, A Resolution Of The City Of Silverton Urban Renewal Agency Board Of Directors Adopting A Minor Amendment To The City Of Silverton Urban Renewal Plan To Add The Silverton’s Fallen Heroes Memorial As A Public Park Project Under Section 701A. Board Member Thomas seconded the motion and it carried as follows:

Aye: Scott Walker
Jason Freilinger
Bill Cummins
Randal Thomas
Ken Hector
Nay: Stu Rasmussen
Absent: Laurie Carter

Board Member Walker moved to provide \$10,000 as the last \$10,000 for the Fallen Heroes Memorial. Board Member Cummins seconded the motion.

Chairman Rasmussen said he believes the Memorial is a good idea, but indicated he does not think that it qualifies for Urban Renewal Funds by providing property value to make any revenue.

Aye: Scott Walker
Jason Freilinger
Bill Cummins
Randal Thomas
Ken Hector
Nay: Stu Rasmussen
Absent: Laurie Carter

5.2 Funding Request From The Silverton Mural Society For \$4,000 For The Licensing Fee for the Four Freedoms Murals

Community Development Director Gottgetreu stated that Vince Till approached the Budget Committee on behalf of the Mural Society at the May 22nd meeting to request \$4,000 for the licensing fees to relocate the Four Freedoms Mural. He said the Budget Committee recommended that the URA approve the funding.

Board Member Thomas moved to provide \$20,000 to the Four Freedom Murals, with \$4,000 designated for the licensing fees and the balance used towards the moving and replacement of the murals. Board Member Hector seconded the motion.

Board Member Freilinger asked what the total cost would be to relocate the murals. Vince Till represented the Mural Society. He said it will be \$50,000 and explained the procedure to relocate the murals on the side of Seven Brides Brewery building. The Committee deliberated on the proposed motion.

Board Member Carter arrived at 5:45 p.m.

Board Member Cummins asked Member Thomas why he recommended \$20,000. Board Member Thomas said he feels the Four Freedom Murals sets Silverton apart from other communities as well as increases the property value. The Committee considered the proposed motion.

Following discussion, the motion failed to carry as follows:

Aye: Ken Hector
Randal Thomas
Nay: Scott Walker
Jason Freilinger
Stu Rasmussen
Bill Cummins
Laurie Carter

Board Member Walker moved to grant the Mural Society \$4,000 for licensing fees associated with the Four Freedoms Mural. Board Member Carter seconded the motion and it carried as follows:

Aye: Ken Hector
Scott Walker
Jason Freilinger
Bill Cummins
Laurie Carter
Nay: Randal Thomas
Stu Rasmussen

5.3 Grant Request – Compex Two IT Company

Mike Wellman, said construction has already begun on the building. Matt Middlestetter, Owner of Compex Two, presented a history of the company to the Board. He highlighted their community involvement and outreach programs. He described their new divisions, Compex Consulting, which works in cloud conversions and application design for iPhone apps, as well as building controllers for a wind farm in North Dakota. He also described their outreach program, Technology with Purpose. He said they project there will be a total of 11 employees in the next three years, continued growth and additional community programs.

Board Member Carter moved to forgive the loan if Compex Two meets the goals they have established within five years, then the loan is to be forgiven. Following consideration, Board Member Carter restated her motion.

Board Member Carter moved that the loan be converted to a grant in five years as long as Compex Two meets the goals as established by Compex Two and City Staff. Board Member Hector seconded the motion.

The Board discussed the impacts of the tax base and Full Time Equivalent on the loan. Community Development Director Gottgetreu said a payroll matrix would vary because not all jobs are paid the same. City Manager Bob Willoughby said there may be additional improvements if the building is acquired and converted, so there is an opportunity for a return of investment in the future. After further discussion, the motion carried as follows:

Aye: Scott Walker
Randal Thomas
Laurie Carter
Ken Hector
Nay: Stu Rasmussen

Bill Cummins
Jason Freilinger

City Manager Willoughby said the terms would be negotiated and brought back to the Board for ratification.

Member Hector said he does not think the Board needs to revisit it unless Staff and the applicant cannot establish goals.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The Meeting adjourned at 6:39 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted By:

/s/Lisa Figueroa, Administrative Assistant/City Clerk