

**EAST HARTFORD REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
REGULAR MEETING
May 21, 2008**

1. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the East Hartford Redevelopment Agency was called to order at **6:15 p.m.** on **Wednesday, May 21, 2008** by Chairman William Miller.

2. ROLL CALL

EAST HARTFORD REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Present:

William Miller, Chair
Daniel Dube
Ellen McCreery
John Ryan

Absent:

Robin Pearson

Others in Attendance:

Jeanne Webb, Director of Development

MOTION Mr. Dube, seconded by Mr. Ryan to hear Item 5 (Area 2 – Request for Monument Signage), Item 6 (Burnside Avenue Redevelopment) and Item 7 (New Business) prior to Item 3

APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

5) AREA 2

a) **Request for Monument Signage – First Merchants, LLC**

- i) Kevin Reynolds and Joe Bison, representative from St. Francis came before the agency to give an update regarding their proposed signage change to Main Street and Connecticut Boulevard. The Agency requested that Mr. Reynolds and Mr. Bison put together their ideal solution for the Agency to speak with Mr. Sapere of First Merchants, LLC.

6) BURNSIDE AVENUE REDEVELOPMENT

- a) **430 Burnside** – nothing to report
- b) **550 Burnside** – Joe Citino of Providian Builders presented a packet outlining this project from its conception to include costs and various correspondences between the Town of East Hartford and Providian Builders. Due to the increase in costs, Mr. Citino requested further financial assistance from the Agency and the Town. The Agency will discuss and will report back to Mr. Citino.
- c) **482 Burnside** – Ms. Webb reported that this is moving along as scheduled, steel beams have already been put in place, as has the elevator shafts. They are due to begin occupying the space in October 2008.
- d) **Daley Court** – The drafted RFP for this as well as 671 Burnside Avenue will be referred to the Town Council's Real Estate Committee at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

7) NEW BUSINESS

- a) Ms. Webb has submitted an application to OPM to be accepted to a study regarding housing incentive zones. If accepted, \$50,000 would be used to look at areas which meet the affordability criteria to see what can be done to garner new investments. The Town Council and P&Z have both endorsed said application.
- b) On June 11, 2008 in the Council Chambers, Ms. Webb and the Redevelopment Department will be hosting Main Street property owners as well as business owners to discuss, what is now be referred to as, The Main Street Improvement Project. Ms. Webb has submitted an application to the CEDF asking for \$30,000 to perform a consumer preference study as well as additional funds from the DOT for traffic calming.

3) BILLS LIST

- a) **\$100.00 – Clerk**

MOTION by Ms. McCreery, seconded by Mr. Ryan
APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

4) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a) March 19, 2008

MOTION by Mr. Ryan, seconded by Mr. Dube
APPROVED (Ms. McCreery & Mr. Dube abstain)

8) ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Mr. Dube seconded by Ms. McCreery to adjourn.
APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY at 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeffrey A. Currey
Clerk

cc: Town Clerk
Mayor
EHRA Department