

# MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

## City of Dunedin

737 Louden Avenue, 2nd Floor, Planning Conference Room

The **regular meeting** of the CRAAC was called to order at 4:15 p.m. on Wednesday, July 10, 2019. Officers present: John Freeborn (**CHAIR**), Wendy Barmore (**VICE CHAIR**), and Jen Welch (**SEC**). Members present: Gregory Brady, Patti Coleman, Bob Henion, Jim Graham, and Sylvia Tzekas. A quorum was present. Ex-Officio Members: Jackie Nigro. Dunedin City Staff present: Robert Ironsmith, Jeannie Garner, Trevor Davis, Danny Craig, Terry Trudell, Vince Gizzi, Vince Luisi. Also present, Blair Kooi, President of Dunedin History Museum.

### I. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

- a. There being no corrections, the draft minutes of the 5/1/19 CRAAC Meeting were approved as distributed.

### II. PRESENTATIONS:

- i. **Elena Kapetaneas, Lane's Lemonade**- staff introduced Elena and reviewed her new business coming to the Dunedin Boxcar. Lane's Lemonade will provide quick serve healthy snacks and beverages. Elena, a long-time Dunedin resident and business owner, stated that Lane's Lemonade will work collaboratively with the museum to support and promote museum events. Commission has approved the contract, set to open third week of August.
- ii. **Andrew Hill (Cardno), Pioneer Park** reviewed 2 concept plans to revamp Pioneer Park. There was unanimous agreement that the CRACC preferred the "Freeform" concept. Project is not yet funded. Some items discussed (1) a new plan for market to set will be required (2) article turf in being proposed (3) public art will be considered.

### III. DIRECTORS REPORT:

- i. **Bob Ironsmith, Director of Economic Development** presented a report to include:
  1. **Special Events Parking:** Danny Craig has been working with Achieva and Curtis Fundamental to provide remote special event parking.
  2. **Crosswalk and Wayfinding:** Danny Craig provided update (1) install of Crosswalk at Douglas will begin in October to be completed in November. (2) Wayfinding signs are in design and will be installed in 4-6 weeks.
  3. **New Trail Marking:** Special kudos to Trevor Bailey, Economic Development, for the completion of the new trail markings.
  4. **Affordable Housing:** Economic Development has been diligent in pursuing opportunities for affordable housing. Affordable housing is a nationwide challenge. Possibilities have included projects on Skinner, NY and 580. An Affordable Housing Task Force will be established. A CRACC representative will be requested, Bob Henion is interested. Details in September.
  5. **Skinner Blvd:** An RFP is the next step for the improvements on Skinner Blvd.
  6. **City Hall:** Commission has approved concept number 1 that includes City Hall, parking, a commercial space, and townhomes.
  7. **Gateway:** most recent concept includes Apartments, Food Hall, Retail and possibly hotel rooms.
  8. **Best of Best Awards:** the CRACC will recognize recent winners of the Best of Best Awards at an upcoming commission meeting.

### IV. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

- a. **Election of Officers:** Chairman John Freeborn led discussion re: new officers. Officers will rotate per tradition of Secretary becoming Vice Chair, Vice Chair becoming Chair. Committee will nominate a new Secretary. Bob Henion made a motion to nominate Dave Wolters as Secretary. Jim Graham made a motion to nominate Wendy Barmore as Chair and Jen Welch as Vice Chair. Sylvia Tzekas seconded the motion and it was supported unanimously.

V. **EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS:** Jackie Negro, Arts & Culture Committee announced that Patti Coleman is the CRACC representative for the Arts and Culture Committee. August 8<sup>th</sup> there will be a meeting regarding the next Give Me Shelter Bus Stop.

VI. **ADJOURNED:** 5:25 p.m.

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- VII. NEXT MEETING:** CRAAC Meeting 4:15 p.m. Sept 4, 2019 at 737 Loudon Avenue, 2nd Floor, Planning Conference Room. CRA Meeting at City Hall 4:30 p.m. July 25, 2019.



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By: **Jen Welch, SEC.**