



MINUTES

**URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY BOARD - Special Session Meeting
Monday, November 21, 2016 North Plains Senior Center 7:00 PM**

**DIRECTORS
PRESENT:**

Chairperson Robert Kindel, Jr.; URA Directors: David Hatcher, Teri Lenahan, Charlynn Newton, Sherrie Simmons, Scott Whitehead

**DIRECTORS
ABSENT:**

N/A

STAFF PRESENT:

Executive Director Blake Boyles; City Recorder Lori Lesmeister

1 CALL TO ORDER

Chair Kindel called the meeting to order at 8:25 p.m.

2 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Kindel lead the URA Board in the flag salute. Chair Kindel dispensed with the flag salute as it was performed at the City Council meeting just prior to this URA meeting.

3 ROLL CALL

4 CONSENT AGENDA:

- a) Approval of November 21, 2016 Special Session Agenda
- b) Approval of minutes of October 3, 2016 URA Special Session Meeting

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Moved by Director Lenahan. Second by director Hatcher. Motion was approved unanimously.

5 PUBLIC COMMENT:

(Persons wishing to speak on matters not on the agenda may be recognized at this time. Speakers must complete a "Public Comment Registration form" on the information table and return it to the City Recorder. You are not required to give your address when speaking to the URA Board, only your name. Presentations are limited to five minutes.)

6 PUBLIC HEARING:

7 NEW BUSINESS:

- a) Discuss additional compensation to Allison McClay - Mural artist

To date we have paid a total of \$13,000 for the mural project: \$10,000 in labor and \$3,000 in supplies. The budget for the mural project was \$15,000. It is consensus that we should give McClay more money for her work on the project. Blake Boyles stated that we will apply for a grant from the Washington County Visitor's Association, which could be up to \$35,000. This money would go towards sidewalks, signage, and lighting for the mural area. Boyles stated that we have \$650,000 in the URA budget at this time, and will receive another \$400,000 in 2017, so there is more than

enough money to pay McClay more for the mural project, along with the fact that we are \$2,000 under budget on the total project. Director Hatcher suggested we pay McClay an additional \$3,000 (\$2,000 from the original budget for the product plus \$1,000 out of the URA budget). Chair Kindel feels that isn't enough. He would like to give her \$5,000. Discussion ensued. Director Whitehead felt that at the very minimum it should be \$3,000 but he felt that \$5,000 was more appropriate. Chair Kindel asked each Director if they agreed with the \$5,000. Director Newton asked for confirmation how much money was in the URA budget. Boyles stated \$650,000 and we would be getting another \$400,000 in the coming year. Director Whitehead reminded the Board that all of the URA funds must be used within a specific time frame and that an amount as small as \$3,000 (to be put with the \$2,000 still in the mural budget) wouldn't make a dent in the budget.

Motion to pay Allison McClay an additional \$5,000 for her work on the mural project.
Moved by Director Hatcher. Second by Director Simmons. Motion was approved unanimously.

8 UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

There was a brief update on the status of the application for the WCVA Grant. The application from the City was withdrawn at this time and will be resubmitted. The North Plains Historical Society as well as the North Plains Chamber of Commerce will also be applying for the grant. Each could receive up to \$35,000.

a) None Scheduled

9 ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Kindel adjourned the URA Board meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Robert Kindel, Jr., URA Chairperson

Lori Lesmeister, City Recorder

Date Approved _____