

LRA Meeting
June 9, 2009
Minutes

LRA Members Present: Robert Smuts, Nan Bartow

LRA Members Absent: Christine Bonanno, Karyn Gilvarg, Carl Goldfield, Gary Spinner, Michael Piscitelli

Others Present: Jennifer Pugh, CAO
Rick Fontana, Emergency Management
Gary Puryear, U.S. Army
Otis Pitts, CAO Intern
Ed Mattison, South Central Behavioral Health
Fred Morrison, NH Ten Year Plan to End Homelessness

Rob Smuts convened the meeting as a workshop. The minutes from the May 5 meeting were distributed and reviewed. Rob noted that Kica Matos has resigned as CSA and her position will be refilled when a new CSA is hired. A typo was noted on page 3, paragraph 3 – “by in” should be “buy in”.

The draft scope of services for a consultant to work with the LRA in developing the reuse plan for the Wintergreen Avenue site was distributed. The following revisions were agreed to:

- Add to NOI Review and Feasibility Study – “The consultant shall identify the costs associated with each NOI response and will evaluate the ability of each NOI proposer to cover the identified costs and to sustain the reuse of the property.”
- Add to Draft Reuse P The consultant shall identify the costs associated with each NOI response and will evaluate the ability of each NOI proposer to cover the identified costs and to sustain the reuse of the property.”
- Add - “The consultant shall attend all LRA meetings to review with the LRA work to date and any issues so that the LRA can provide direction to the consultant.”

The above additions have been made to the Scope of Services.

There was discussion about requesting an extension to current deadline of December 22, 2009 for submission of the LRA’s reuse plan. Gary Puryear indicated that the Department of Defense and the Department of the Army would approve such an extension if requested. He also indicated that the Army would not be in a position to dispose of the site until September 15, 2011. Rob outlined the plan to hire the LRA consultant by October of 2009 and estimated it would take six months for the consultant to complete work on the reuse plan. The LRA then needs to solicit public input so that

the whole process from start to finish would take about nine months. It was agreed that an extension of 8 months (June 30, 2010) would be appropriate.

Rob recapped the LRA process to date for Ed Mattison and Fred Morrison. He emphasized that the primary concerns of the LRA in developing a reuse plan for the Wintergreen Avenue site are a.) Ability to pay for and sustain the reuse and b.) the appropriateness of the site for the reuse.

There was discussion about future meetings. The third Tuesday of each month at 4:00 PM was suggested as a standard meeting time. Carl and Gary will be contacted to see if this works for them. Pending confirmation, the next meeting date was set for July 21, 2009 at 4:00 P.M. on the second floor of City Hall.

Meeting adjourned 4:50 PM