

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT
AUTHORITY OF AUSTIN, MINNESOTA**

December 15, 2004

1.) Roll Call.

The regular meeting of the Housing and Redevelopment Authority of Austin, Minnesota was held at 4:30 PM, December 15, 2004, at the HRA Office. The meeting was called to order by Secretary Nordin. Present were Commissioners Lang, Pacholl, and Chamberlain. Also present were Executive Director Hurm, Deputy Director for Community Development Smith, HRA Finance Director Detloff, and Craig Hoium. Commissioners Nelson, Jorgenson and Valerio were absent.

2.) Approval of the meeting minutes of November 17, 2004.

It was moved by Commissioner Pacholl and seconded by Commissioner Cahamberlain to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 17, 2004. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The Secretary declared the motion passed and carried.

3.) Approval of the claims for payment.

It was moved by Commissioner Chamberlain and seconded by Commissioner Pacholl to authorize payment of the list of claims for payment as presented. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The Secretary declared the motion passed and carried.

4.) Public Housing:

Nothing

5.) Market Rate Housing:

Nothing

6.) Community & Economic Development:

a. Usem's Block 15 Property - Motion to sell the property to Mower County and authorize the Chair and Executive Director to execute a purchase agreement.

The grant request for the transit system is in the name of Mower County; therefore, the transit garage and dispatch site to be located on the Block 15 property that the HRA acquired from Usem's must be sold to Mower County for them to access the grant money.

It was moved by Commissioner Pacholl and seconded by Commissioner Chamberlain to authorize the Chair and Executive Director to execute a purchase agreement to sell the HRA property known as Block 15, Original Village to Mower County for \$225,000. All present voted in favor of the motion, none in opposition thereto. The Secretary declared the motion passed and carried. Should the transit system cease operation on the site, the property will revert back to HRA ownership.

7. Executive Director Reports:

a. Economic Development Partnership Report.

Director Hurm reported that he has scheduled a presentation on the status of economic development at the City Council work session on Monday, December 20, 2004. Hurm, George Brophy, and Craig Hoium will give status reports.

8.) Other business:

a. Roundhouse Addition - Eagles Development.

Craig Hoium reported that the Austin Eagles Club is very interested in building a new facility on the HRA's Roundhouse Addition property. They have requested a purchase option for 2.76 acres in Roundhouse Addition.

It was moved by Commissioner Chamberlain and seconded by Commissioner Lang to authorize drafting of a purchase option for the designated tract of land in Roundhouse Addition. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The Secretary declared the motion passed and carried.

b. Date Change for January HRA Meeting.

Mayor Rietz has scheduled her annual State of the City speech for January 19, 2005. This date conflicts with the HRA regular meeting in January. The HRA meeting is tentatively rescheduled for January 26, 2005 at 4:30 PM.

9.) Adjourn: There being no further business it was moved by Commissioner Chamberlain and seconded by Commissioner Pacholl to adjourn the meeting. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The Secretary declared the motion passed and carried.

Gloria Nordin, Secretary

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James Hurm, Executive Director