



**City of Newport
Newport Economic Development Authority Minutes
October 18, 2012**

1. CONVENE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY MEETING

Mayor Geraghty called the Regular NEDA Meeting to order at 5:55 P.M.

A. Roll Call

Commission Members Present – Tim Geraghty, Bill Sumner, Tracy Rahm, Steven Gallagher

Commission Members Absent - Tom Ingemann

B. Review Agenda

Motion by Gallagher, seconded by Rahm to approve the agenda as presented. With 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, the motion carried.

C. Approval of September 20, 2012 NEDA Meeting Minutes

Motion by Gallagher, seconded by Sumner to approve the September 20, 2012 minutes. With 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, the motion carried.

2. NEW BUSINESS

A. Knauff Site Update

Admin. Anderson presented on this item as outlined in the October 18, 2012 NEDA packet.

Motion by Geraghty, seconded by Rahm, to approve Resolution No. 2012-7 to submit a grant application to the Department of Employment and Economic Development for contamination cleanup and commit to the local match for the grant. With 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, the motion carried.

Motion by Sumner, seconded by Gallagher to approve Resolution No. 2012-8 to submit a grant application for the tax base revitalization account through the Metropolitan Council. With 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, the motion carried.

B. Resolution No. 2012-9 – Authorizing the Housing and Redevelopment Authority in Washington County to Undertake a Redevelopment Project

Melissa Taphorn, Washington County HRA, presented on this item as outlined in the October 18, 2012 NEDA packet.

Councilman Rahm – Can we put a copy of the presentation online?

Admin. Anderson – Yes.

Motion by Geraghty, seconded by Rahm to approve Resolution No. 2012-9 authorizing the Housing and Redevelopment Authority in Washington County to undertake a redevelopment project. With 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, the motion carried.

C. Resolution No. 2012-10 – Adopting the 2012 Annual Report

Admin. Anderson presented on this item as outlined in the October 18, 2012 NEDA packet. The annual report will be placed on the website. NEDA discussed the B.P. Station on Hastings Avenue. It is the City's understanding that negotiations are taking place currently to sell the property. NEDA decided to wait until the end of the year to see where the two parties are in their negotiations. In the meantime, Attorney Knaak will research the officers of the company and a couple strategies for resolving this issue.

Motion by Sumner, seconded by Gallagher to approve Resolution No. 2012-10 to adopt the 2012 annual report. With 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, the motion carried.

D. Resolution No. 2012-11 – Adopting the 2013 Proposed Budget

Admin. Anderson presented on this item as outlined in the October 18, 2012 NEDA packet.

Mayor Geraghty – I would like to see \$100,000 set aside in 2013 for business incentives and marketing.

Motion by Geraghty, seconded by Rahm to approve Resolution No. 2012-11 to adopt the 2013 proposed budget as amended. With 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, the motion carried.

3. OTHER BUSINESS

4. ADJOURN

Motion by Geraghty, seconded by Sumner to adjourn the NEDA Meeting at 6:42 p.m. With 4 Ayes, 0 Nays, 1 Absent, the motion carried.

Signed: _____
Tim Geraghty, President

Respectfully Submitted:

Brian Anderson
NEDA Executive Director