# Medway Redevelopment Authority Wednesday, April 21, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. Zoom Meeting 155 Village Street Medway, MA 02053

| Members    | Andy Rodenhiser | Rori Stumpf | Mike Griffin | Doug Downing | Paul Yorkis |
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| Attendance | X               | absent      | X            | X            | X           |

## **ALSO PRESENT:**

Barbara J. Saint Andre, Director Community & Economic Development Amy Sutherland, Recording Secretary

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, and the Governor's Orders imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, no in-person attendance of members of the public was permitted at this meeting. Public access was provided via Zoom. All persons participated remotely at this meeting.

The Chair opened the meeting and stated the members who were participating remotely.

#### **Invoices:**

The MRA is in receipt of two invoices for payment.

- Phase 1 Environmental Assessment \$2,300.00
- KP Law \$1,240.00

On a motion made by Michael Griffin, seconded by Paul Yorkis, the MRA voted unanimously by roll call vote to approve and pay the invoices noted above.

#### **Roll Call Vote:**

Doug Downing aye
Paul Yorkis aye
Mike Griffin aye
Andy Rodenhiser aye

# **Update on New England Power Co. Land:**

The MRA was informed that the closing for the New England Power Land was on April 9, 2021. The documents have been recorded. The title insurance policy is still being written. This will be forwarded to the MRA when finalized.

# **Update on Rt. 109/ Trotter Drive Traffic Signal:**

The MRA was informed that Member Yorkis has communicated with Congressman Auchincloss about the request for an earmark of \$100,00.00 for design of the intersection. It was Congressman Auchincloss' recommendation that this request is not appropriate for a federal earmark as the amount is too modest and he thinks the town could seek the money through other means. Representative Murray has introduced an amendment bill for funding at the state level. The goal would be to get funding through this amendment. There was also communication with Senator Spilka's office about the \$100,000.00 with the hope to get this funding for the design and engineering for the intersection. The MRA discussed getting a construction estimate from Tetra Tech for this intersection. It was also recommended to get confirmation from the Town Manager about the towns intent to move forward with the design plan. Ms. Saint Andre will reach out to Tetra Tech or MPO to see what the estimated cost would be to review the 2015 Transportation Study and provide an updated estimate.

## **Expression of Interest Feedback Report – Community One Stop for Growth:**

The MRA was provided feedback from One Stop Team for its recent expression of interest. This feedback was from EOHED, DHCD, and Mass Development. The team in the report has confirmed that the project is eligible and would fit in the site preparation category. This would not fit in with the other indicated category. It was recommended to look at the guidelines for the Brownfields Program and the Site Readiness Program. It was recommended to submit the full application to get a second look from the Housing Choice program which is for \$100,000.00. This application needs to be submitted between May 3, 2021 and June 4, 2021.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

#### February 17, 2021:

On a motion made by Doug Downing, seconded by Mike Griffin, the MRA voted unanimously by roll call vote to approve the minutes of February 17 and March 23, 2021.

#### **Roll Call Vote:**

Doug Downing aye
Paul Yorkis aye
Mike Griffin aye
Andy Rodenhiser aye

#### **DISCUSS TOWN MEETING WARRANT ARTICLES:**

The MRA was made aware of Article 12 of the annual Town Meeting warrant asking the Town to vote to appropriate \$1,100,000 to be expended by the Medway Redevelopment Authority for the purpose of implementation of the Town's Urban Renewal Plan. The MRA discussed having information at town meeting for the residents to read. It was recommended to have a map of the area of what has been acquired and what is left to be a acquired.

## **NEXT MEETING:**

• May 19, 2021

# **Executive Session:**

On motion of Doug Downing, seconded by Mike Griffin, the MRA voted to enter executive session to consider the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property in the Oak Grove Urban Renewal Area, including Williams property, and the chair declared that an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the negotiating position of the public body, G.L. c. 30A, Section 21(a)(6), and not to return to open session.

### **Roll Call Vote:**

Doug Downing aye
Paul Yorkis aye
Mike Griffin aye
Andy Rodenhiser aye

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Sutherland Recording Secretary

Edited by
Barbara J. Saint Andre
Director, Community and Economic Development