



**Minutes of the
Millcreek Community Reinvestment Agency
December 10, 2018
7:30 p.m.
Regular Meeting**

The Community Reinvestment Agency of Millcreek, Utah, met in a Regular Meeting on December 10, 2018 at the City Hall Annex, located at 3330 S. 1300 E., Millcreek, UT 84106.

PRESENT:

Board Members

Jeff Silvestrini, Chair
Silvia Catten
Dwight Marchant
Cheri Jackson
Bev Uipi

City Staff

John Geilmann, City Manager
John Brems, City Attorney
Elyse Greiner, Agency Recorder
Mike Winder, Economic Development Director
Kurt Hansen, City Services Director
Francis Lilly, Community Development Director
Rita Lund, Communications & Programs Director
Blaine Gehring, Planner

Attendees: Susan Brown, Ron Findly, Ross Gyhiott, Susan DeLegge, Bruce Parker, Carol Elliot, Larry Plowgian, Jeff Plowgian, Sue Denkers, Leslie Blackham, Mike Gibson, Muzz Malouf, Carol Flowers, Lynn Draper, Greg Strong, Joan Haven, Kelly Roemer, Stephanie Woody, Doug Smith, Kimberly Otto-Biebeyl, Shonnie Hays, Lynda Bagley, Mary Alice Dechter, Jordan Odette, Taylor Brodate, Zane DeLucia, Gary Hanneman, Tina Grant, Tom Nelson, Christine Goleish, Dee Andersen, Dan Andersen, Lyle Warner, Mary Ann Astin, Kyle Anderson, Stuart Jensen, Heather Jensen, D. Wenzl, Lenette Casper, Stephanie Steele, Bill Dubbeld, Ryan Robison, Pam & Renee Roberts, Sheryl Martin, Kimber Naffziger, Jake Hill, John & Mary Kapes, Lea Cotter, Mya Taaffe, Brenda Wicks, Lee Parkin, Torry Austin, Aaron Walker, Cory Minson, and Jennifer Beitel.

REGULAR MEETING – 7:30 p.m.

TIME COMMENCED: 7:30 p.m.

Chair Silvestrini called the meeting to order. He said this meeting was originally scheduled to be the resumption of the public hearing on the blight study from mid-November. He said since the hearing, the Agency had requested that written comments on the blight study be submitted to them by December 5, 2018. Chair Silvestrini said city staff and the Council members met with residents in the blight area and received a lot of public input with almost unanimous comments being against the idea of continuing with the blight study. The Council (Agency) thought that pursuit of the blight study was not something that they needed to do based on the input received. He said the resolution on the agenda was to terminate the blight study and pursue the Millcreek Center Community Reinvestment Area (CRA) without it.

1. Welcome, Introduction and Preliminary Matters

1.1 Discussion and Consideration of Resolution 18-14, Terminating the Blight Study for the Millcreek Center CRA, Directing that the Proposed Millcreek Center CRA be Created without any Finding of Blight and Without the Use of Eminent Domain for a Private Purpose

Chair Silvestrini asked for a show of hands from the audience on support of terminating the blight study. He then asked for a show of hands from those who felt the Agency should continue with the blight study. The audience voted to terminate it. Chair Silvestrini said the Council (Agency) was there to represent the residents of Millcreek. He said they may have crazy ideas on how to implement things on what residents say would make the City better and it is their goal to make the City better, but when a majority of people tell them they are going in the wrong direction, they listen. He thanked the public for letting them know. He said they want to build trust and said anyone could approach them. He said they may not always be able to accommodate people because they must consider the interests of 60,000 residents.

Aaron Walker, 1068 Granite Mill Court, thanked the Agency for the resolution. He asked about protections from this happening again in the future.

Tina Grant, 1235 E. Elgin Avenue, thanked the Council for listening and responding to the residents.

Mya Taaffe, 2070 E. 3335 S., said she has been a resident in Millcreek since the 70's. She said she attended several Millcreek township meetings. She understood from incorporating that money would not go to the County for county-wide projects instead of in her residential community. She said she hopes that is the direction the City is going.

Mike Gibson, representing Tres Hombres at 3298 S. Highland Drive, said he appreciated the Mayor listening to the constituents. He said the property owners thanked him and would like to help be part of the planning process.

Chair Silvestrini said he had requested copies of the caricatures drawn of him that had circulated in the public and on the millcreeklandgrab.com website. He said it was important for elected officials to remember who their bosses are.

Joanne Wong, 3004 Evergreen Avenue, said she was opposed to the general plan. She asked the Agency to treasure and support local businesses and residents.

Mike Winder said it was an honor to work with the property owners on this matter. He said it was an honor for staff to work with a Council who listened to their people. He said staff provides the Council with recommendations, but it's then their job to sift that with the public feedback and decide what is best policy. He said staff supports the Mayor and Council and they are excited to continue to build a wonderful Millcreek that embraces both existing businesses and others who may want to come to the City.

Lea Cotter, 4674 S. Montego Place, asked about a plan to help owners of properties who are considered blighted to help restore value or appearance to their property.

Chair Silvestrini said part of the reason they formed the community reinvestment area was to use the increased tax revenue that redevelopment creates to rehabilitate some of the public infrastructure. They will not paint residents' houses, but will try to fix sidewalks, streets, and the like.

Board Member Jackson moved to adopt Resolution 18-14, Terminating the Blight Study for the Millcreek Center CRA. Board Member Catten seconded.

Board Member Catten said it was never the intention to take anyone's property. She apologized for heartache caused and said the Agency saw this as a tool they could use in a very rare situation. Board Member Marchant thanked the audience for being involved, it's their city. Board Member Uipi echoed Board Member Catten's sentiments and encouraged the Council (Agency) to be more thoughtful about processes that affect people's property rights and that they have conversations with the community before moving forward with development plans. Board Member Jackson thanked the audience for being involved and for their feedback. She appreciated the opportunities to meet with people. She said the silver lining in this is that the audience found a community that supports their neighborhood and that is willing to rally and work hard to better their community. Chair Silvestrini said he agreed with everything that has been said. He said he appreciated the turnout and encouraged residents to stay involved. He said the Agency can make the City better with the public's help and the Agency needs help in planning the three CRA's.

The Agency Recorder called for the vote. The motion passed unanimously.

Chair Silvestrini said because the Agency passed Resolution 18-14, they do not need to have the presentation, item 1.2, or resume the hearing, item 2.1, so those items are stricken from the agenda.

1.2 Millcreek Community Reinvestment Agency Presentation

2. Business Matters

2.1 Public Hearing on consideration of Millcreek Center Community Reinvestment Project Area Blight Study

2.2 Discussion and Consideration of Resolution 18-15, Approving Amendment No. 1 to the Interlocal Agreement with the Redevelopment Agency of Salt Lake County Regarding the Transfer of the West Millcreek Urban Renewal Area from the Redevelopment Agency of Salt Lake County to the Millcreek Community Reinvestment Agency

Chair Silvestrini said Millcreek inherited an RDA (URA), which is what CRA's used to be called. The Agency already entered into an interlocal agreement with Salt Lake County to provide for the transfer of control with the Millcreek URA to Millcreek. When the Agency entered into the agreement, they thought that the RDA had \$372,947.30. Winder said the amendment to the interlocal is to change the amount to \$486,321.39. The change is to the amount that the County will pay to Millcreek. Chair Silvestrini asked for public comment on the matter. There was no comment. Board Member Catten clarified that the only text change was the amount. Chair Silvestrini said that was correct.

Board Member Catten moved to approve Resolution 18-15, Approving Amendment No. 1 to the Interlocal Agreement with the Redevelopment Agency of Salt Lake County

Regarding the Transfer of the West Millcreek Urban Renewal Area from the Redevelopment Agency of Salt Lake County to the Millcreek Community Reinvestment Agency with the amended amount. Board Member Uipi seconded. The Agency Recorder called for the vote. The motion passed unanimously.

ADJOURNED: Board Member Jackson moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 p.m. Board Member Uipi seconded. Chair Silvestrini called for the vote. The motion passed unanimously.

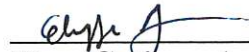
APPROVED:


Bev Uipi, Vice Chair

Date

1/14/19

Attest:


Elyse Greiner, Agency Recorder