

HIGHLAND REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
STUDY SESSION MINUTES
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH, 2023

Members of the Highland Redevelopment Commission (RC Commission) met in person at Town Hall on Tuesday, September 12th, 2023.

The Study session was called to order at 6:32 pm by President Sean Conley.

Present: Commissioners Sean Conley, Alex Robertson, George Georgeff and Tom Black were present in person at Town Hall.

Additional Officials Present: Susan Hale, Assistant Redevelopment Director; Maria Becerra, Redevelopment Director; Non-Voting Commissioner & School Town Representative Pat Krull

Attorney John Reed was excused.

Also Present: None

General Substance and Discussion

1. 8200 Indianapolis Blvd Appropriations – Director Becerra gave the Commission an update on 8200 Indianapolis. She informed the Commission that the Town Council approved advertising for appropriations, and that she is requesting quotes for clean up and tree removal on that property.
2. School Town of Highland 2024 Funding – The Commission discussed potential additional funding for the School Town for 2024, including the possibility of helping pay for an additional School Resource Officer.
3. TIF Consolidation Update – The Commission was informed that there was a presentation to the Plan Commission by Dan Botich at their Study Session on September 6th.
4. Grants – The Commission was presented with information regarding the PeopleForBikes grant and the Ramp Up grant. The Commission asked Redevelopment Staff to pursue both grants.
5. Indianapolis Property LOI – The Commission was given copies of the Letter of Intent that was received from Mr. Patel regarding the parcels on Indianapolis that are owned by Redevelopment. The attorney explained that if the Commission wanted to sell, they would have to request proposals.
6. Wayfinding Signs Update – Director Becerra updated the Commission on the Wayfinding Signs project. The installer is working on 811 locates then will be installing the signs.
7. Highland Main Street – The Commission was updated on the Big Restaurant Crawl, as well as reminded about the Makers Market coming up on October 7th.
8. Traditions Tax Abatement – The Commission was notified about an informal request for tax abatement that came through the Clerk-Treasurer’s office.
9. Commissioner Comments – The Commission asked Redevelopment Staff to provide an update on the islands at the municipal lot for the next meeting. They also requested an executive session prior to the next HRC meeting. Lastly, the Commission asked for an update on the Electric Chargers.

The meeting was adjourned by President Sean Conley at 7:29 pm.