

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

March 17, 2004

1.) Roll Call.

The Regular Meeting of the Housing and Redevelopment Authority of Austin, Minnesota was held at 4:30 PM, March 17, 2004, at the HRA Office. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Jorgenson. Present were Commissioners Lang, Nelson, Nordin, and Chamberlain. Also present were Executive Director Hurm, Deputy Director for Housing Volstad, Deputy Director for Community Development Smith, and HRA Finance Director Detloff. Commissioners Goodnature and Valerio were absent.

2.) Approval of the meeting minutes of February 18, 2004.

It was moved by Commissioner Nordin and seconded by Commissioner Chamberlain to approve the minutes of February 18, 2004. All present voted in favor thereof, none in opposition thereto. The Chairperson declared the motion passed and carried.

3.) Approval of the claims for payment.

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

4.) Public Housing and Section 8:

Nothing

5.) Market Rate Housing:

Nothing

6.) Community & Economic Development:

a. Mower County Transit - Update Report. A joint resolution naming Viril Layton Chairman of the Mower County Transit Board has been prepared. The resolution was approved by the City Council and is awaiting approval by the County Board.

The City and County Engineer are also working together on plans for the garage facility and the disposition of the brick building immediately west of the Austin HRA office.

7.) Other Business:

a. Cedars of Austin - Schedule a joint meeting with the City Council to approve the final resolution approving the issuance and sale of Revenue Bonds and authorizing the execution of documents. Meeting date to be Wednesday, March 24th at the Council Chambers. The joint meeting to approve the issuance of Revenue Bonds to refinance the Cedars of Austin debt will be held on March 24th at 5:30 P.M. in the City Council chambers.

Farr Development has agreed to install a fire sprinkling system in the wooden building and the common areas of the original concrete structure. Farr Development has also agreed to repay \$8,000.00 per year on the TIF debt on the project.

b. Any other business. Commissioner Lang expressed his concern about the flooding in the ditch south of Ellis Middle School. He said the flooding is caused by runoff and will be worsened by the airport expansion. The ditch flooding also creates problems in the business area at 10th Drive and 4th. Avenue SE.

Ulland Brothers has proposed using an area east of Jennings Scrapyard as a source for fill. The area will then be turned into a holding pond that will alleviate the runoff flooding in the area. Ulland's proposal was rejected by the planning commission. Commissioner Lang believes the proposal merits further consideration.

8.) Adjourn:

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

Michelle Jorgenson, Chairperson

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Gloria Nordin, Secretary