

**Columbia Downtown Leadership Council  
Minutes  
October 27, 2009**

**Members Present:** Randy Gray, Brian Treece, Glenn Rice, Nick Peckham, Mary Wilkinson, Doug Lange, Gary Ward, Tim Teddy, and Linda Rootes.

**Call to Order:** Randy Gray, Chair called the meeting to order at 4:04.

**Updates:**

Planning Director Tim Teddy said he would be speaking about infill development at the "Keys to the City Neighborhood Congress" discussion on Tuesday, October 27, 2009.

Brian Treece, Secretary made a presentation to the Downtown Leadership Council regarding the proposed Juliet Bowling Rollins Trust rezoning issue. Treece said the applicant was requesting M-1 zoning for light industrial use. He said the proposed Parker Street extension along Bowling street could create a new entrance to downtown.

Nick Peckham indicated that the proposed Parker Street extension could incorporate a gateway to Columbia College, the North Central Arts District, Stephens College and historic downtown. The COLT railroad corridor could also be a path to extend the MKT trail to northern Boone County. Mary Wilkinson agreed.

Glenn Rice made a motion that the Downtown Leadership Council communicate to the City Council that the proposed rezoning should be tabled indefinitely until more planning on the proposed downtown entry can be conducted. Nick Peckham seconded the motion and noted that the property should not be rezoned just weeks before the City plans to conduct urban design charrettes for the downtown area. Motion passed.

Randy Gray appointed Nick Peckham and Brian Treece to draft a letter to council for review and approval of the Downtown Leadership Council at their next meeting.

**Downtown Columbia – Urban Design Charrettes:**

Randy Gray said the City of Columbia had distributed Request For Qualifications (RFQ) to several urban design firms. The deadline to response to the RFQ was November 6, 2009. The responses would be reviewed and a short list of firms would be selected for interviews. Nick Peckham asked who would review the RFQs. Gray said it would probably be a combination of procurement staff and DLC members.

Randy Gray led a discussion for potential revisions and additions for the Request for Proposals. Gary Ward said the RFP should require the firm to indicate if they were using any additional team members or partnering with other firms, in addition to those identified in the SOQ. Gray added that the final document / presentation should also be available in electronic formats for, such as Community Viz.

Nick Peckham said a colored map of energy use by building (compiled by city staff) should be included in the RFP's list of resources.

Doug Lange said the firm should describe how they will conduct the actual Charrettes including the names of staff members that will be on-site and lead the actual activities.

Linda Rootes said the design charrettes should also cover all forms of transportation. Nick Peckham said that energy and sustainability should also be considered in the final product.

Randy Gray will compile all changes, revisions, and additions into a final document and send to all DLC members before the next meeting.

The next meeting of the Downtown Leadership Council will be at 4:00 p.m., November 10, 2009, in the mezzanine conference room.

Meeting adjourned at 5:08.

Respectfully submitted,

Brian Treece, Secretary