

Downtown Columbia Leadership Council
Meeting Minutes
July 27, 2010, 4:00 p.m.
City Hall, Conference Room 2A

Members Present: Randy Gray, City Council Appointee
Doug Lange, Stephens College
Ken Pearson, Boone County Commission
Nick Peckham, City Council Appointee
*Tim Teddy, Planning & Building Development Director
Brian Treece, City Council Appointee
Bob Hutton, Columbia College
Mary Wilkerson, Special Business District
Gary Ward, University of Missouri
Matthew Vander Tuig, Planning & Zoning

Staff Present: Tony St. Romaine, Assistant City Manager
Billye Clemons, Administrative Assistant

Members Absent: *Mike Brooks, REDI
*Phil Steinhaus, Columbia Housing Authority

* Indicates Ex-Officio status.

Welcome

Membership ordinance reviewed.

Review and Approval of May and June 2010 Meeting Minutes:

Mr. Treece makes a motion to approve both sets of minutes. Mr. Lange seconds. Both passed. **Motion carries.**

Community Challenge Grant, Tim Teddy

Mr. Teddy reviews the Community Challenge Grant (HUD and Tiger 2). Both make 75 million available for planning activities, including neighborhood or district level. Max award is 3 million. City of Columbia is pre-registered and has submitted a pre-application. Possible application ideas discussed. Application due August 23rd.

Ms. Wilkerson makes a motion allowing the DLC to write a letter of support to go with the City's application. Mr. Lange seconds. **Motion carries.** Mr. Gray will draft a letter and e-mail out for review.

Mr. Gray asks for volunteers for a Grant Review Subcommittee. Volunteers include Mary Wilkerson, Gary Ward and Nick Peckham.

Sustainability Activities/Update, Barbara Buffaloe

Ms. Buffaloe is introduced as the Sustainability Manager for the City of Columbia. She gives a brief background on her department, which is funded through DOE, Energy Efficiency/Conservation Block Grant. There are three main activities, which include the establishment of the Office of Sustainability, the creation of an internal and community wide action plan, as well as energy audits of city facilities. Ms. Buffaloe reviews the status of each of these activities. Projects in the works are reviewed, to include an EPA Climate Showcase Community Grant, which is a public-private partnership in which the City is working with Special Business District on a project called City Green District.

Charrette Update, Randy Gray

Good feedback and good promotion according to Ms. Wilkerson. Linda Rootes notes 90 Facebook friends, however, no update to the page since the charrette. Mr. Teddy and Mr. Gray note good process, good participation. Over the next few meetings implementation will be discussed. Try to consider H3's ideas into existing city future plans.

Parking Garage Public Art Project

The artist for this project has been approved and his concept has been approved. Mr. Gray asks if this committee wants to make a recommendation to the Committee on Cultural Affairs regarding quotes or text that might be in the glass. Ms. Wilkerson recommends asking that the history of the area be considered in his design. Committee notes agreement. Mr. Peckham makes a motion to request that the DLC, by way of our chair, be contacted by the Committee for Public Art for DLC input when it's considering a downtown art project. Mr. Pearson seconds. **Motion carries.** Mr. St. Romaine notes that request should be sent through the Office of Culture Affairs, Marie Hunter.

Other Items

Mr. Peckham shares an e-mail update from the vision commission.

Mr. Peckham asks about the election of new officers. Mr. Treece will draft a policy regarding this. New members coming in next month; will postpone the election of officers for now. Ms. Wilkerson requests Ms. Clemons check previous minutes for any policy notes on electing new officers.

Mr. Gray reviews changes to the ordinance, noting the addition of an attendance policy.

Public Comment

None.

Next Meeting

August 24, 2010.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at approximately 5:30 p.m.