

Downtown Columbia Leadership Council
Meeting Minutes
March 22, 2011, 4:00 p.m.
City Hall, Conference Room 2A

Members Present: Brent Gardner, Historic Preservation Commission
Rosie Gerding, Downtown resident
Randy Gray, City Council Appointee
Janet Hammen, Neighborhood Representative
Bob Hutton, Columbia College
Ed Robb, Boone County Commission
Nick Peckham, City Council Appointee
Suzanne Sharp, Stephens College
*Tim Teddy, Planning & Building Development Director
Brian Treece, City Council Appointee
Mary Wilkerson, Special Business District

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

Members Absent: *Mike Brooks, REDI
Linda Rootes, Neighborhood Representative
*Phil Steinhaus, Columbia Housing Authority
Matthew Vander Tuig, Planning & Zoning
Gary Ward, University of Missouri

* Indicates Ex-Officio status.

Welcome/Introduce guests:

Meeting called to order. Item four on the agenda will go before item three. Janet Hammen is introduced, as well as other guests.

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Ms. Wilkerson moves to approve, Mr. Treece seconds. *Motion carries.*

PedNet presentation, Ian Thomas.

Mr. Thomas, Executive Director of PedNet, reviews the project Columbia for Modern, Efficient Transit (CoMET). Their primary goal is to promote active transportation and increase ridership on City buses. Power point is reviewed.

DLC partner with “Columbia for Modern, Efficient Transit” (CoMET)

Ms. Gerding makes a motion to support CoMET by allowing them to use committee name in support of project. Mr. Peckham seconds. *Motion carries.*

Downtown Parking Garage examples

Mr. St. Romaine gives update on status of the Short Street parking garage. Due to demolition of the Regency Hotel, the parking garage needs to be built in tandem with the new hotel and the garage design process needs to be complete by June, 2011.

Mr. Gray shows a Power Point of samples of parking garages from around the United States.

Downtown public finance mechanisms design review

Design review guidelines draft by Mr. Gray is reviewed. Ms. Wilkerson notes her concerns about the draft document and lack of public participation hampering future projects. Ms. Gerding recommends a subcommittee or work session on this topic. Mr. Gray wants to focus on the criteria, appropriate and non-appropriate materials, and less on who would administer/monitor the requirements.

Other items:

Mr. Gray notes Comprehensive Plan Task Force meets tomorrow. He attended their last meeting with the goal of creating a stronger relationship between these two committees; not sure what form that will take at this time.

Public Comment:

Carrie Gartner, talks about process for design guidelines. Recommends utilizing a “bottom up, not top down” approach and vetting this through the public.

Next Meeting:

April 26, 2011, 4:00 p.m.

Adjourn:

Meeting adjourned at approximately 5:40 p.m.