

# AGENDA Urban Renewal District Advisory Committee

Wednesday, June 4, 2024 - 5:30 p.m. Council Chambers – City Hall

#### URDAC MEMBERS

CHAIR:

VICE CHAIR

Tory Banford

MEMBERS:

Bob Brixius

Trevor Peterson

Sam Dufner

Marlene Co

Ken Woods

#### STAFF:

Charlie Mitchell, Economic &

Community

Development Director

Tyler Ferrari, Economic Development Specialist

Benjamin Curry, Recording Secretary

- CALL TO ORDER
- PUBLIC COMMENTS
- CONSENT AGENDA
  - a. APPROVAL OF MAY 7, 2024 MEETING MINUTES
  - b. BUDGET & GRANTS REPORT
- STAFF REPORTS
  - a. UR NO. 2024-01 4 YEAR TERM LIMITS
  - b. DOWNTOWN PARKING DISCUSSION
  - c. GENERAL UPDATES
    - BIG PROGRAM REVISION UPDATE (VERBAL)
    - 791 MAIN STREET PROJECT
- CHAIR COMMENTS
- 6. MEMBER COMMENTS
- 7. OTHER BUSINESS
- 8. NEXT MEETING AGENDA BUILD
- 9. ADJOURN

Next meeting: July 2, 2024 5:30 PM

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# City of Dallas - Urban Renewal District Advisory Committee

Council Chambers 187 SE Court Street, Dallas, OR May 7, 2024 - 5:30 PM

#### **MINUTES**

1 Mr. Rohde presiding, opened the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

#### CALL TO ORDER

Members Present: Rich Rohde, Trevor Petersen, Tory Banford, Bob Brixius, Marlene Cox, Ken Woods, Sam Dufner

Staff Present: Economic & Community Development Director, Charlie Mitchell; Recording Secretary, Benjamin Curry

#### 1. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was none.

#### 2. CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Rohde presented the minutes from the regularly scheduled meeting on March 3, 2024.

Mr. Banford made a motion to remove the budget from the consent agenda for discussion. Ms. Cox seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Mitchell made a correction to Attachment A. of the URA Grants Report under Pending: noting that due to an accounting error it was recently discovered that the top 4 listed grants in that section were completed and paid out in the prior fiscal year. He also noted that the grant for 745 Main Street has verbally withdrawn their application and is unlikely to proceed with their project. As a result, there will potentially be an additional \$4,000-\$5,000 dollars in the budget for the next fiscal year.

Mr. Petersen made a motion to approve the budget with staff corrections to the URA Grants Report, Attachment A. Ms. Cox seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Cox made a motion to approve the consent agenda with the amended staff report. Mr. Brixius seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### 3. STAFF REPORTS

#### a) FY 2024-25 Proposed Budget

Mr. Mitchell read the staff report and walked through the proposed budget for the Downtown Dallas Urban Renewal Fund and facilitated questions from the committee. Mr. Rohde requested that the preliminary budget come to the URDAC for discussion next fiscal year.

#### b) Building Improvement Grant (BIG) Program

Mr. Mitchell read from the staff report. Staff is recommending bringing back the Building Improvement Grant Program with the revised language included in the staff report. He briefed the committee on the major changes and facilitated a Q/A with the rationale behind the suggested edits. Mr. Rohde initiated a discussion of the review process and opportunities to make changes to the language before approval.

Mr. Dufner asked if the City had data on the number of commercial buildings within in the Urban Renewal District in comparison to the number of property owners. Mr. Mitchell shared that we did not but that that would be valuable information to come back with at some point.

Ms. Cox inquired about applicants being required to meet historic design restrictions as a requirement for eligibility. Mr. Mitchell stated that there are currently no historic design standards to meet as of yet and that they would be based on the recommendations of the Historic Preservation Commission.

Mr. Dufner made a motion to recommend that the agency approve the proposed changes to the Building Improvement Grant Program as recommended. Mr. Banford seconded the motion. The motion passed with Rich Rohde, Trevor Petersen, Tory Banford, Bob Brixius, Ken Woods, and Sam Dufner voting in

favor, and Marlene Cox voting against.

# c) 791 Main Street RFQ Update

Mr. Mitchell read from the staff report and discussed the timeline for the 791 Main Street project highlighting that the project is still in the salvage and demolition phase. He reported that the City plans to engage with their consultant team beginning in June and shared the proposed list of groups for stakeholder interviews and timeline of community meetings.

#### 4. GENERAL UPDATES

Mr. Mitchell read from the staff report and shared general staff updates on the following topics:

- Tim's Automotive Conditional Use Permit Update
- Historic District Signage

Mr. Woods reported that the fire department will be performing a live fire training exercise at 1809 SW Fairview Avenue near the cemetery on May 17<sup>th</sup>.

#### 5. CHAIR REPORTS

Mr. Rohde proposed selecting an official name for the 791 Main Street building, highlighting the need for consistency in how it is represented in newspaper articles and official communication. Mr. Woods noted that whoever ultimately purchases the building will likely rename it and suggested using staff's recommendation of "791 Main Project" in official communications. Mr. Rohde concurred.

#### 6. MEMBER COMMENTS

Ms. Cox shared an update on her downtown commercial properties at 904 Main Street and 115 Court Street, highlighting the Oregon Main Street Grant as well as working with Optimum Seismic on beginning phase two of the seismic upgrades. The property at 130 Court Street has taken 3 months to acquire insurance due to a fencing requirement around the parking lot. She is optimistic that the restaurant at 904 Main Street will open in June.

Mr. Petersen provided an update on the Dallas Mill Site redevelopment project and shared information from the community meeting he attended, noting that the traffic study area may have an impact on the downtown urban renewal district.

# 7. ADJOURN

Chair Rich Rohde adjourned the committee at 6:30 p.m. Next meeting: June 4, 2024, 5:30 p.m.



**DATE:** June 4, 2024

**AGENDA ITEM NO.** Consent

**TOPIC:** Budget & Grants Report

PREPARED BY: Charlie Mitchell

**APPROVED BY:** 

**ATTACHMENTS:** Attachment A – April 2024 budget + Grants detail

Attachment B – Approved 2024-25 budget

# **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

N/A – This item is information sharing only.

# **BACKGROUND:**

Attachment A is the budget report for April 2024. The attachment also includes an update on the two grant programs – Building Improvement Grants and Minor Improvement Grants.

For the month of April 2024:

• Revenue: \$1,071.62 – property taxes

\$4,338.91 – interest

\$5,410.53

• Expenses: \$40.00 – Misc. expenses

\$355.48 – property acquisition

\$395.48

Year to Date:

Revenue: \$262,015.43Expenses: \$113,854.63

Budget Report For Fiscal: 2023-2024 Period Ending: 04/30/2024

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		Original Total Budget	Current Total Budget	Period Activity	Fiscal Activity	Variance Favorable (Unfavorable)	Percent Remaining	
Fund: 29 - DALLAS DO\	WNTOWN URBAN RENEWAL FUND							
Revenue								
State LB Report: 9	0 - Property Taxes							
29-450-00-4100	CURRENT PROPERTY TAXES	235,000.00	235,000.00	852.88	208,101.62	-26,898.38	11.45 %	
29-450-00-4110	DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAXES	3,000.00	3,000.00	218.74	3,362.59	362.59	112.09 %	
	State LB Report: 90 - Property Taxes Total:	238,000.00	238,000.00	1,071.62	211,464.21	-26,535.79	11.15%	
State LB Report: 9	1 - Resources Except Property Taxes							
29-400-00-5900	BEGINNING BALANCE	300,000.00	300,000.00	0.00	389,033.45	89,033.45	129.68 %	
29-480-00-4610	INTEREST ON INVESTMENTS	10,000.00	10,000.00	4,338.91	35,563.22	25,563.22	355.63 %	
29-480-00-4830	MISCELLANEOUS REVENUE	20,000.00	20,000.00	0.00	14,988.00	-5,012.00	25.06 %	
State LB Repo	rt: 91 - Resources Except Property Taxes Total:	330,000.00	330,000.00	4,338.91	439,584.67	109,584.67	33.21%	
	Revenue Total:	568,000.00	568,000.00	5,410.53	651,048.88	83,048.88	14.62%	
Expense								
State LB Report: 0	1 - Personnel Services							
<u>29-019-50-6051</u>	SALARIES	5,500.00	5,500.00	0.00	5,971.04	-471.04	-8.56 %	
<u>29-019-50-6061</u>	FRINGE BENEFITS	3,500.00	3,500.00	0.00	3,052.82	447.18	12.78 %	
	State LB Report: 01 - Personnel Services Total:	9,000.00	9,000.00	0.00	9,023.86	-23.86	-0.27%	
State LB Report: 0	2 - Materials and Services							
29-019-50-6210	MATERIALS AND SUPPLIES	250.00	250.00	0.00	0.00	250.00	100.00 %	
<u>29-019-50-6465</u>	PROFESSIONAL SERVICES	35,000.00	35,000.00	0.00	5,140.00	29,860.00	85.31 %	
29-019-50-6473	BUILDING IMPROVEMENT GRANT P	2,200.00	2,200.00	0.00	2,131.25	68.75	3.13 %	
29-019-50-6484	MINOR IMPROVEMENT GRANT	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00	4,000.00	6,000.00	60.00 %	
<u>29-019-50-6600</u>	MISCELLANEOUS	2,000.00	2,000.00	40.00	702.12	1,297.88	64.89 %	
Sta	te LB Report: 02 - Materials and Services Total:	49,450.00	49,450.00	40.00	11,973.37	37,476.63	75.79%	
State LB Report: 0	3 - Capital Outlay							
29-019-50-6507	SPECIAL PROJECTS	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	100.00 %	
29-019-50-6553	PROPERTY AQUISITION	105,000.00	105,000.00	355.48	6,490.02	98,509.98	93.82 %	
	State LB Report: 03 - Capital Outlay Total:	115,000.00	115,000.00	355.48	6,490.02	108,509.98	94.36%	
State LB Report: 0	5 - Transfers							
29-019-50-6908	TRANSFER TO GF-DEBT SERVICE	148,915.00	148,915.00	0.00	86,367.38	62,547.62	42.00 %	
	State LB Report: 05 - Transfers Total:	148,915.00	148,915.00	0.00	86,367.38	62,547.62	42.00%	
State LB Report: 0	6 - Contingencies							
29-019-50-6980	OPERATING CONTINGENCIES	96,720.00	96,720.00	0.00	0.00	96,720.00	100.00 %	
	State LB Report: 06 - Contingencies Total:	96,720.00	96,720.00	0.00	0.00	96,720.00	100.00%	
State LB Report: 0	7 - Reserves and Special Payments							
<u>29-019-50-6955</u>	DEBT SERVICE RESERVE	148,915.00	148,915.00	0.00	0.00	148,915.00	100.00 %	
State LB Rep	ort: 07 - Reserves and Special Payments Total:	148,915.00	148,915.00	0.00	0.00	148,915.00	100.00%	
·	Expense Total:	568,000.00	568,000.00	395.48	113,854.63	454,145.37	79.96%	
Fund: 29 - DALLAS DO	OWNTOWN URBAN RENEWAL FUND Surplus (	0.00	0.00	5,015.05	537,194.25	537,194.25	0.00%	

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#### ATTACHMENT A.

# **URA GRANTS REPORT – 2023-24, THROUGH 5/30/2024**

# **BUILDING IMPROVEMENT GRANTS (BUDGET = \$2,200)**

\$2,131.25 - JUDI LAMBERT – 936 MAIN ST.

# MINOR IMPROVEMENT GRANTS (BUDGET = \$10,000)

\$1,000 -	NEW MORNING BAKERY – 788 MAIN STREET; awarded 7/7/2023

\$1,000 - WASHINGTON STREET STEAKHOUSE – 125 SW WASHINGTON; awarded 8/30/2023

\$1,000 - WORLD GYM – 887 MAIN ST.; awarded 9/21/2023

\$1,000 - WASHINGTON STREET STEAKHOUSE – 141 SW Washington; awarded 11/14/2023

# \$4,000.00

# Pending:

1042 Main Street

124 SW Walnut

394 SW Douglas

144 SW Washington St

976 Main St

# **Downtown Dallas Urban Renewal Fund**

# Revenues

	Actual 2021-22	Actual 2022-23	Amended 2023-24	Proposed 2024-25	Approved 2024-25	Adopted 2024-25
Current taxes	230,286	227,901	235,000	225,000		
Delinquent taxes	3,782	3,231	3,000	3,000		
Interest	4,602	18,514	10,000	30,000		
Miscellaneous	18,465	19,743	20,000	15,000		
Total revenues	257,136	269,390	268,000	273,000	0	0
Beginning Balance *	521,376	355,715	389,033	375,000		
TOTAL	778,512	625,105	657,033	648,000	0	0

<sup>\*</sup> The Beginning Balance reflects cash on hand, carried over in the budget and budgeted as Revenue.

# Expenditures

	Actual 2021-22	Actual 2022-23	Amended 2023-24	Proposed 2024-25	Approved 2024-25	Adopted 2024-25
Personnel Services						
Salaries	8,385	10,054	5,500	6,500		
Fringe	5,610	6,488	3,500	3,000		
Total personnel services	13,994	16,542	9,000	9,500	0	0
Materials and Services						
Materials and Supplies	0	0	250	250		
Professional Services	10,050	750	35,000	50,000		
Minor Improvement Grant	1,000	8,375	10,000	10,000		
Bldg Improv Grant Program	236,908	52,558	2,200	75,000		
Miscellaneous	1,749	1,626	2,000	2,000		
Total materials & services	249,707	63,309	49,450	137,250	0	0
Capital Outlay						
Projects	9,950	3,100	10,000	10,000		
Property Acquisition	0	6,823	105,000	310,000		
Total capital outlay	9,950	9,923	115,000	320,000	0	0
Transfers						
Transfer to GF-Debt Service	149,145	146,297	148,915	62,350		
Total transfers	149,145	146,297	148,915	62,350	0	0
Reserves						
Debt Service Reserve	0	0	148,915	62,350		
Total reserves	0	0	148,915	62,350	0	0
Operating Contingencies	0	0	96,720	56,550		
Total Contingencies	0	0	96,720	56,550	0	0
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	422,797	236,071	568,000	648,000	0	0



**DATE:** June 4, 2024

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4.A

**TOPIC:** Resolution No. UR 2024-01 establishing uniform

commencement and ending dates for terms for members of

the Dallas Urban Renewal District Advisory Committee

**PREPARED BY:** Charlie Mitchell, Economic & Community Development

Director

**APPROVED BY:** 

**ATTACHMENTS:** Attachment A – Resolution No. 2024-01

# **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

N/A – Discussion Only

# **BACKGROUND:**

Each member of the Urban Renewal District Advisory Committee, with the exception of the Mayor position, has a term expiration date of June 30th. Every other committee, commission and board has terms that expire on December 31st. On May 20, 2024 the Urban Renewal Agency voted to approve UR Resolution No. 2024-01 which extends the current terms of each member, except the Mayor, by 6 months to end on December 31st of the year of expiration.

Member:	Month/Year Appointed:	Term Exp.
Rich Rohde	Jun-22	12/31/2026
Tory Banford	Jan-22	12/31/2026
Ken Woods	Nov-22	12/31/2024
Sam Dufner	Jun-22	12/31/2024
Trevor Petersen	May-23	12/31/2024
<b>Bob Brixius</b>	Sep-20	12/31/2024
Marlene Cox	Jun-22	12/31/2026

#### **SUMMARY TIMELINE:**

N/A

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

N/A

# **ATTACHMENTS:**

A – Resolution No. UR 2024-01

#### RESOLUTION NO. UR 2024-01

A Resolution establishing uniform commencement and ending dates for terms for members of the Dallas Urban Renewal District Advisory Committee.

WHEREAS, Resolution No. UR 2020-06 established four-year terms for the members of the Dallas Urban Renewal District Advisory Committee (hereinafter referred to as URDAC), but did not establish uniform ending dates for the URDAC members; and

WHEREAS, the Dallas Development Commission, Urban Renewal Agency desires to establish uniform ending dates for the terms of members of the URDAC;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE DALLAS DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The terms of the current members of the URDAC, serving as of the effective date of this Resolution, which would otherwise end on a date other than December 31, shall be extended from the date their current terms would otherwise end to the next following December 31. Thereafter, the commencement date of all regular four-year terms for all members of the URDAC shall be January 1 and the ending date of all regular terms shall be December 31.

Adopted: May 20, 2024 Approved: May 20, 2024

KENNETH L. WOODS, JR., CHAIR

ATTEST:

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

BRIAN LATTA, CITY MANAGER

CITY ATTORNEY



**DATE:** June 4, 2024

**AGENDA ITEM NO.** 4.B

**TOPIC:** Downtown Parking

**PREPARED BY:** Tyler Ferrari

**APPROVED BY:** 

**ATTACHMENTS:** Attachment A: Overhead parking map Attachment

B: Chapter IV of the Downtown Urban Renewal

Plan

# **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

N/A – Discussion Only

#### **BACKGROUND:**

Chapter IV.A.8 of the Urban Renewal plan highlights "public parking facilities" as one of the projects under "Public Improvements." As vacancies begin to dwindle and more customers and employees begin to work, shop, and dine downtown, staff has begun to see an increase in requests for parking variances for employees and residents to be able to park longer than the current timed allotment throughout downtown.

As projects on Church St. and Main St. begin to take shape, staff has begun discussions on what a long term parking solution would be for employees and residents who occupy downtown. These discussions have been very preliminary and staff is now seeking guidance from the committee on what steps should be explored first.

The map attached to this report highlights all of the off-street parking availability in the district and divides it into three categories:

- Green 24/7 Public Parking
- Orange Limited Public Parking
- Red No Public Parking

Many of the sites, being orange or red, indicate that there is an overabundance of "reserved" parking in the district. Most of the orange lots have a restriction on parking available to the public, except during the evenings and weekends.

Currently, the City has allocated 26 variances to employees and/or residents in the downtown, so this is at least 26 cars that are parked on the street. This does not include anyone who also parks long term downtown without a variance. Code Services does not have the capacity to regularly check parking downtown, so there is no reliable data on how many people are parked "illegally."

Staff has briefly discussed the idea of consolidating downtown employee parking into one lot that will be permitted. These permits allow employees to park in this lot ONLY, leaving current on street and off-street spaces available to the general public. However, staff would like to solicit additional feedback from the committee before moving forward with exploring any options in earnest.

Additionally, Section 3.3.030 of the Dallas Development Code mentions that fees for new parking can be established, but only after the passage of a Parking District Ordinance, which does not currently exist. Exploring the establishment of a district is also something the committee can recommend that staff pursue.

# **SUMMARY TIMELINE:**

N/A

# **FISCAL IMPACT:**

N/A



Green – 24/7 Public Parking

Orange – Limited Public Parking

Red – No Public Parking





#### IV. URBAN RENEWAL PROJECTS



Urban renewal projects authorized by the Plan are described below and are shown in Figure 2.

# **A. PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS**

Public improvements authorized under the plan include developing, replacing or upgrading streets and utilities, sidewalks and streetscape, public parks and a multiuse recreational trail along the creek. As shown in the Report, urban renewal funds will be combined with existing and other future sources of funding to finance project costs.

Specific public improvement projects that may be undertaken under the Plan include:

#### 1. MAIN STREET STREETSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS

The Main Street streetscape improvements project will extend from Orchard Avenue to Washington Street. Its purpose is to create a continuous and consistent pedestrian environment that connects the downtown core area to lands north of the creek. The project will narrow traffic lanes, widen sidewalks, repair curbs, and provide bulbouts at street corners. Benches, street lights, street trees and other landscape features and streetscape furnishings will be installed to strengthen the perception of Main Street as a safe, pedestrian-friendly corridor.

#### 2. NORTH ENTRANCE IMPROVEMENTS

Improvements to the North Entrance, where the Main and Jefferson couplet reconnects into one street, will create a distinct gateway feel that draws visitors into the downtown district. Adding greenway strips and reducing street widths on Main Street will enhance the pedestrian experience. Landscaped pathways, bridges with expanded sidewalks and views of the creek, and a mini-park with signage welcoming visitors to downtown Dallas will be used to call attention to the entrance to the downtown core.

#### 3. JEFFERSON STREET STREETSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS

The Jefferson Street streetscape improvements will extend south to Washington Street from the intersection of Main and Jefferson. Landscape enhancements compatible with the scale and architectural style of traditional historic buildings in the downtown district will strengthen public perception of Jefferson as an integral part of

#### PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT KEY

- Main Street Streetscape Improvements
  - North Entrance Improvements
- Jefferson Street Streetscape Improvements
  - Courthouse Greenspace Improvements
  - Washington Streetscape Improvements
  - Multi-Use Recreational Trail

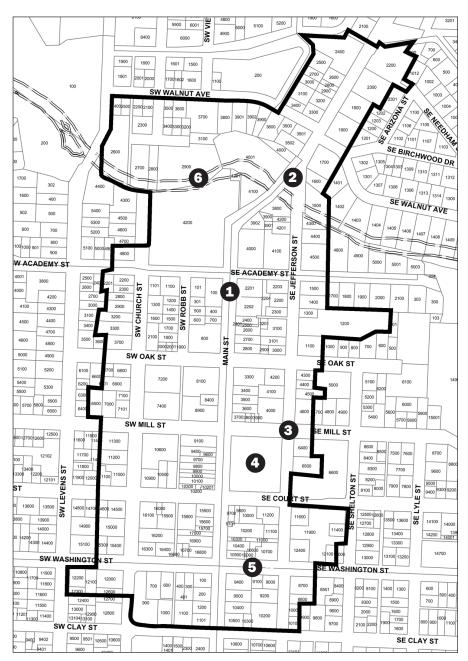


Figure 2, Dallas Downtown Urban Renewal Study Area Project Locations

downtown. Infill street trees, hedges, planting buffers, flower beds and other landscape features will be used to soften building edges and camouflage surface parking lots and vacant lots. Benches, pedestrian lighting and other streetscape furnishings will be used to create a more attractive pedestrian environment.

#### 4. COURTHOUSE GREENSPACE IMPROVEMENTS

The Courthouse Greenspace Improvements will strengthen the aesthetic appeal and connectivity of a prominent civic landmark, the Polk County Courthouse, to the rest of downtown. A mid-block crosswalk and park, landscape enhancements, and pedestrian amenities such as historic lighting, benches and trash receptacles will make the site an attractive destination for pedestrians and recreational users, residents and visitors.

# 5. WASHINGTON STREETSCAPE IMPROVEMENTS

The Washington Street Streetscape Improvements will extend from Main Street to Jefferson, creating a gateway at the south entrance to downtown. Curb extensions, landscaped medians, infill street trees and pedestrian-oriented lighting will be used to create a visually appealing and welcoming atmosphere that draws pedestrians to the area and strengthens connections to downtown.

#### 6. MULTI-USE RECREATIONAL TRAIL

Develop a segment of the Rickreall Creek multi-use trail system, between Main and Levens Streets. The trail will increase recreational opportunities for pedestrians and bicyclists and provide a safe and convenient access route to downtown from the north. It will also be used to enhance connectivity between the CBD and the northern sub area.

#### 7. PUBLIC UTILITY UPGRADES

Underground electric and telephone utility lines in the downtown core to reduce barriers to the flow of foot traffic, create a more attractive streetscape environment and increase pedestrian accessibility to businesses.

#### 8. PUBLIC PARKING FACILITIES

Acquire property for and develop public parking facilities to serve Area businesses and residents. Such facilities may be a component of a private development, provided the facilities are open to the public.

Prior to property being acquired for parking facilities under the powers of eminent domain, the Commission must adopt a Minor Amendment to the Plan which identifies the property to be acquired. In using its eminent domain authority the Commission shall comply with all statutory requirements, including those contained in ORS 35.

# B. ASSISTANCE TO PROPERTY OWNERS/LESSEES FOR REHABILITATION, REDEVELOPMENT OR DEVELOPMENT

The Plan authorizes assistance to property and/or business owners, in making capital improvements to property within the Area which support the goals of the Plan. Specific programs and rules and regulations for their administration will be developed to ensure that urban renewal funds are used properly and for the agreed upon purposes. The adoption and amendment of such programs, rules and regulations by the Commission shall not be considered changes to the Plan.

# 1. PROPERTY REHABILITATION, REDEVELOPMENT OR DEVELOPMENT LOANS AND/OR GRANTS AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

The Plan authorizes assistance to property and/or business owners, in making capital improvements to property within the Area which support the goals of the Plan. Specific programs and rules and regulations for their administration will be developed to ensure that urban renewal funds are used properly and for the agreed upon purposes. The adoption and amendment of such programs, rules and regulations shall not be considered changes to the Plan.

Programs may include the following:

 Loans and/or grants for property rehabilitation and development, redevelopment and other improvements. Property to be improved may be residential or commercial. Loans may be at or below market rates, and assistance can include direct loans or guarantees of loans made by third parties. Technical assistance, in the form of site studies, market studies, feasibility analyses, engineering and design and other activities directly related to development of property in the Area.
 Examples of such technical assistance include structural analysis of downtown buildings to promote rehab and use of upper stories.

# 2. UTILITY UPGRADE LOANS AND/OR MATCHING FUNDS

Property to be improved will be commercial. Financial assistance will be provided for electrical and water connections and system upgrades, in particular electrical transformers and water meters.

# 3. COMMERCIAL FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT LOANS

Property to be improved will be commercial. Improvements will be used to enhance the architectural integrity and character of downtown's historic commercial district by promoting design and materials that are compatible with the existing scale and style of traditional downtown buildings. Loans may be at or below market rates, and assistance can include direct loans or guarantees of loans made by third parties.

One example of the use of financial assistance would be participation in the rehabilitation of substandard commercial buildings into mixed use developments with office and/or residential uses above ground floor retail.

# C. PUBLIC BUILDINGS

Because such uses are key to the vitality of the downtown, the Plan authorizes participation in the development and improvement of public buildings, including City Hall. The participation in the development of public buildings as a project shall be proportional to the benefits of the facility to the Area. Anticipated benefits to the Area include increased downtown activity that stimulates commercial and residential development.

Before allocating tax increment funds to the improvements described in this paragraph C, the Commission shall effect a minor amendment to the Plan by resolution, making findings of proportionality and benefits to the Area consistent with this paragraph.



**DATE:** June 4, 2024

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4.C

**TOPIC:** 791 Main Street project updates Charlie Mitchell

PREPARED BY: APPROVED BY:

**ATTACHMENTS:** 2024.05.20 URA Meeting DRAFT minutes

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

N/A – this item is for information only.

# **BACKGROUND:**

The project is moving along with good, steady progress, and some new developments worth sharing.

- Salvage/Demolition phase Salvage operations wrapped up at the end of May. During the month of June there will be a couple weeks of Police and Fire/EMS training occurring in the building. Beginning in mid-June and ending in mid-July, the structures on the site will be demolished and removed. The City has contracted with Dalke Construction to perform this work.
- Design/market analysis/vision phase We are finalizing the agreement with the consultant. Staff clarified with the Agency at its May 20, 2024 meeting the roles the Agency and the URDAC will take with this project. See the attached draft minutes from the May 20 meeting and the motion that was made and approved. The project kick-off will be on June 27-28, which will contain stakeholder interviews. URDAC members will be contacted soon to determine your availability on one of those two dates.

# **SUMMARY TIMELINE:**

May 2024 - City staff negotiates contract for design/analysis services

Site salvage phase concludes

June 2024 - Public safety training onsite

Demolition begins

Design/analysis work begins

July 2024 - Site demolition concludes

Through May 2025 - Design/analysis work

May - July 2025 - Design/analysis work concludes; site is marketed and a developer is

solicited

Late 2025-2027 - Redevelopment could begin

# **FISCAL IMPACT:**

\$120,000 has been proposed to be budgeted for the demolition work.

\$120,000 has been proposed to be budgeted for the design/analysis work.

\$60,000 has been proposed to be budgeted for environmental management consulting (to be reimbursed through a state grant)

\$10,000 has been proposed as project contingency

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

# DALLAS DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY BOARD OF DIRECTORS Monday, May 20, 2024

- 1 The Dallas Development Commission Urban Renewal Agency Board of Directors met on Mon-
- 2 day, May 20, 2024 at 7:39 pm with Mayor Kenneth L. Woods, Jr. presiding.
- 3 ROLL CALL
- 4 **Directors Present:** Director Michael Schilling, Director Nancy Adams, Director Carlos Barrien-
- 5 tos, Director Larry Briggs, Director Kirsten Collins, Director Kim Fitzgerald, Director Micah
- 6 Jantz, Director David Shein and Director Debbie Virden
- 7 **Directors Excused:** none
- 8 Also present were: City Manager Brian Latta, Assistant City Manager Emily Gagner, Finance
- 9 Director Cecilia Ward, Fire and EMS Chief April Wallace, Police Chief Tom Simpson, City At-
- 10 torney Lane Shetterly, Economic and Community Development Director Charlie Mitchell, Pub-
- 11 lic Works Director Gary Marks and City Recorder Kim Herring.

# 12 APPROVAL OF THE September 5, 2023 MEETING MINUTES

- 13 It was moved by Director Shein and seconded by Director Adams to approve the September 5,
- 14 2023 meeting minutes as presented. The vote was taken and passed with a vote of 9-0.
- 15 1. Resolution No. UR 2024-01 Amending the Urban Renewal District Advisory Com-
- mittee Rules established by Resolution No. 2014-01; and repealing Resolution No.
- 17 **UR 2020-06**
- Mr. Latta reviewed the staff report and explained that this was a housekeeping item to
- align the term expiration dates with the other committees, commissions and board. Mayor
- Woods called for a roll call vote. The Resolution passed with a vote of 9-0.

# 21 **2. Building Improvement Program**

- Mr. Mitchell reviewed the staff report. After some discussion, the directors would like
- some clarification on Item 6 on page 3 of the Program Guidelines. This item will return
- 24 to a future meeting.

#### 3. 791 Main Street

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- Mr. Mitchell reviewed the staff report. Staff recommends the Agency provide direction to
- 27 the role of the URDAC with the 791 Main Street project design consultant. Director
- Schilling moved and Director Shein seconded to utilize the URDAC as the primary advi-
- sory body for the 791 Main Street redevelopment project; with a scope of work including
- 30 three consultant meetings with the URDAC, two consultant meetings with the Agency

2	1 1		he vote was taken and the motion passed with a
1	ADJOURNMENT: 8:18 pm	n	
	Read and approved this	day of	2024.
			Chair Kenneth L. Woods, Jr.
			Brian Latta. City Manager