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PARK EAST COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, March 21, 2007 – 3:00 P.M.

Milwaukee County Courthouse, Room 201-B

MINUTES

Tape No. 2: Side A, #001 to EOT
Tape No. 2: Side B, #001 to #741

PRESENT: Abelson, Eppli, Fendt, Goldstein, Harris, Zepecki and Evans (Chair) – 7

EXCUSED: Balistreri, Rev. Jackson, Palazzari, Parr, Ruzicka - 5

Scheduled Items:

1. PERC Committee Introductions

Committee members introduced themselves. Chairman Evans provided a brief history relative to the composition of the Committee. He advised that, because of the busy schedules of Committee members, they are going to have to use their e-mails more efficiently to communicate with each other.

2. Review PERC Advisory Committee role

- PERC Committee role in bid process
- PERC Committee role in monitoring projects

APPEARANCES:

Supervisor Willie Johnson, Jr. (13th District)

Discussion ensued as to the role of the PERC Advisory Committee. The Committee's role was defined as a two-part charge and mission; 1) To advise the County Board on implementing the PERC policies; and 2) To provide an annual report to the County Board on the affects of the PERC policies. Committee members advised that they are not aware of what's going on presently with the PERC.

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Scheduled Items (Continued):

Questions were raised as to the absence of Bob Dennik, Director of the Economic and Community Development Division, at the PERC meetings. Committee members stated that Mr. Dennik or someone from his staff should be present at the PERC meetings. The Committee would like an update on the timetable for the release of the next parcel and pending issues and requests that will be going before the Economic and Community Development Committee in the near future pertaining to the PERC from Mr. Dennik.

Mr. Bultman advised that he has had discussions with Mr. Dennik regarding his presence at PERC meetings. Mr. Bultman suggested that the Committee forward a letter to County Board Chairman Lee Holloway or Supervisor Mayo, requesting Mr. Dennik's presence at future PERC meetings.

Supervisor Johnson provided comments relative to the role of the Committee. He advised that the role of the PERC Committee is not a fruitless effort in that there are structures to be built and jobs to be had.

Ms. Fendt stated that the Committee would request from Supervisor Mayo, advance notice of the timeline for the review and bid of the next parcel. Committee members agreed that Improvements could be made to some of the language in a couple of sections specific to PERC aspects of proposals in the bid document.

Chairman Evans and Ms. Fendt will draft a letter regarding the Committee's concerns and forward to committee members for their review before forwarding to Supervisor Mayo.

Mr. Bultman advised that Frieda Webb, Director of Community Business Development Partners, monitors the DBE component of the project. He advised that it is undetermined at this time as to what the limits will be for monitoring the project and who will be designated; however it is contemplated that the PERC Committee will have a role in monitoring the process in conjunction with the County's role.

3. PERC areas in need of emphasis
 - Affordable Housing
 - Apprenticeship Training requirements

Chairman Evans stated that it is critical that somehow it be shown that affordable housing is a viable and valuable part of the Park East development. Discussion ensued relative to considering the inclusion of different language pertaining to affordable housing in the Request for Proposal (RFP).

Scheduled Items (Continued):

Mr. Bultman advised that the scoring process set up to evaluate proposals does award extra points if affordable housing is included. Affordable housing is a separate evaluation point.

Discussion ensued relative to drafting a document that would require the next RFP to have a minimum of 20% affordable housing for the next Park East parcel. Some Committee members did not agree with this idea.

Ms. Fendt and Mr. Eppli will draft a letter expressing the Committee's concerns regarding affordable housing to County Board Chairman Lee Holloway with copies to members of the Economic and Community Development Committee.

Discussion ensued relative to the "Enhanced Apprenticeship Training" provision included in the RFP. The Committee agreed that there should be some type of communication reminding the developers of this commitment and a list of entities that could assist them. Mr. Goldstein and Mr. Harris will draft a letter suggesting new language to be included in the RFP that better reflects what the PERC says pertaining to Enhanced Apprenticeship Training and Local Employment and Coordination.

4. General Discussion (Next meeting)
The next meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, April 25th at 3:00 p.m.**

STAFF PRESENT: Glenn Bultman, County Board Research Analyst

Adjourned: 5:00 p.m.

Linda K. Durham

Linda K. Durham, Committee Clerk

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