

# RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

## CITY OF LAFAYETTE

### LAFAYETTE URBAN RENEWAL AUTHORITY MEETING July 12, 2022

#### I. OPENING OF THE SPECIALLY SCHEDULED MEETING

##### CALL TO ORDER

The July 12, 2022 meeting of the Lafayette Urban Renewal Authority (LURA) was called to order at 5:30 p.m. The meeting was conducted via electronic participation due to the presence of coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) in Colorado and the subsequent Safer at Home Executive Order from Governor Jared Polis.

##### ROLL CALL

Those in attendance from LURA were Commissioners Arrington, Martin, Redondo, Vice Chair Cutler, and Chair Muller. Commissioner Williams was absent. Commissioners Rodgers was absent but Chair Muller informed the group that she would join late.

Also present was Executive Director Keating.

#### II. MINUTES

The Authority reviewed the minutes from the July 12, 2022 meeting. Commissioner Arrington moved to approve the July 12, 2022 minutes. Seconded by Vice Chair Cutler. All voted in favor.

#### III. PUBLIC INPUT

1. Ron Spaulding spoke in opposition to LURA meeting virtually and not returning to in-person meetings.

#### IV. REGULAR BUSINESS

##### CU Denver MURP Capstone Presentation

Executive Director Keating introduced Lauren Kelly and Ana Rae Miller from CU Denver's Masters in Urban and Regional Planning Program. Executive Director Keating shared that they completed their spring graduate capstone project on how to activate Old Town. Lauren and Ana Rae presented their capstone, specifically on how to address urban voids, wayfinding, and activating amenity zones in Old Town. Commissioner Rodgers entered the meeting. Then Commissioners shared very positive feedback on the presentation and asked questions regarding data sources, case studies, research process, and wayfinding. Executive Director Keating and Commissioners thanked Lauren and Ana Rae for their fantastic work on the project.

### **Economic Development and Housing Strategic Plan Presentation**

Executive Director Keating introduced this item and John Hall from Community Economic Strategies. John provided a presentation on the economic data for the City of Lafayette including employment trends, real estate markets, and retail gap analysis. Commissioners asked questions about retail leakage, the overall project schedule, and desired outcomes for implementation.

### **Authorization to Procure and Install New Trash & Recycling Receptacles in Old Town**

Executive Director Keating presented this item. She shared a potential project to install new trash and recycling containers on Public Road. This project will introduce public recycling, increase outreach and education, consolidate current trash containers, and compliment the eclectic character of Old Town Lafayette. This project would be in partnership with the Sustainability Division which is requesting up to \$50,000 in funding from LURA. Commissioners shared they were very supportive of the project but had additional questions about composting, potential cost sharing with the city, and locations. Executive Director Keating suggested that she invite the sustainability coordinator to the August LURA meeting. No action was taken.

### **201 N Carr Avenue – Property Disposition**

Executive Director Keating presented this item. She shared an update on the property disposition process for 201 N Carr Avenue, including the updated Property Background and Vision document. She also provided an overview of the Invitation to Negotiate procurement method. Commissioners were in favor of incorporating it into the process rather than a Request for Proposals.

## **V. UPDATES**

### **709-711 S Public Road**

Executive Director Keating shared an update that the property owner was interested in renovations for 709 S Public Road and would not be moving forward with the site improvements at this time. She also shared that she would continue to investigate opportunities for public improvements.

### **Lafayette Urban Renewal Authority Transition Consultant**

Executive Director Keating shared that she is preparing a Request for Qualifications for consulting services related to LURA's transition after the tax-increment financing expires in October 2024.

### **Construction and Design Updates on LURA Supported Projects**

Executive Director Keating shared an update on the Kaleidoscope project.

### **Potential August Topics**

Executive Director Keating shared potential August topics including a preliminary budget discussion, 201 N Carr, and a financial update.

**September City Council Workshop**

Executive Director Keating shared that LURA will have their joint workshop with Council in September.

**VI. NEW BUSINESS / STAFF AND COMMISSIONER REPORTS**

Chair Muller shared that he was interested in looking at ways to participate in community events. Commissioners agreed that Art Night Out may not be the best venue to engage with residents due to the crowds and music. Vice Chair Cutler suggested that they would have an open house type of event at different businesses or walking tours. Commissioners were in favor of the idea.

**VII. ADJOURN**

Muller adjourned the meeting at 7:56 PM.

LAFAYETTE URBAN RENEWAL AUTHORITY, COLORADO

ATTEST:

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Kevin Muller, Chair

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Brigid Keating, Executive Director

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