

*555 Liberty St SE
Salem, OR 97301*



Final Action Agenda - Minutes - Final

Monday, March 25, 2024

6:00 PM

Council Chambers / Hybrid Meeting

Urban Renewal Agency

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1. OPENING EXERCISES:

Call to Order

6:04 p.m.

Roll Call

Board Member Gonzalez attended the meeting remotely.

Present: 9 - Chairperson Hoy, Board Member Nordyke, Board Member Stapleton, Board Member Phillips, Board Member Gonzalez, Board Member Varney, Board Member Nishioka, Board Member Hoy, and Board Member Gwyn

1.1 APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

None.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR:

A motion was made by Board Member Stapleton, seconded by Board Member Phillips to approve the consent calendar with the pull of item 3.3b by Board Member Nishioka.

Questions or Comments by: Chair Hoy, Board Members Stapleton and Nishioka, and City Attorney Dan Atchison.

The motion by Board Member Stapleton, seconded by Board Member Phillips was restated as "to approve the consent calendar with the pull of item 3.3a by Board Member Nishioka."

The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Hoy, Nordyke, Stapleton, Phillips, Gonzalez, Varney, Nishioka, Hoy, and Gwyn

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

3.1 MINUTES:

3.1a. [24-97](#) February 26, 2024 Draft Urban Renewal Agency Minutes

Action: Approved.

3.2 RESOLUTIONS:

None.

3.3 ACTION ITEMS:

3.3a. [24-105](#) Initiate creation of a potential new North Waterfront Urban Renewal Area

Ward(s): 1 and 5

Councilor(s): Stapleton and Gonzalez

Neighborhood(s): CANDO, Grant, Highland

Result Area(s): Strong and Diverse Economy; Welcoming and Livable Community; Safe, Reliable and Efficient Infrastructure

Pulled by Board Member Nishioka - See item 5.a.

3.3b. [24-107](#) Riverfront-Downtown Urban Renewal Capital Improvement Grant Program Exception for 285 Liberty LLC.

Ward(s): 1

Councilor(s): Stapleton

Neighborhood(s): CANDO

Result Area(s): Strong and Diverse Economy.

Approved an exception to the maximum grant amount from the Riverfront-Downtown Urban Renewal Area Capital Improvement Grant Program for a total grant award of \$600,000 for rehabilitation of the interior and exterior of a primarily vacant building located at 285 Liberty Street NE.

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None.

5. SPECIAL ORDERS OF BUSINESS

**5.a. [24-105](#)
(3.3a.)**

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Comments by: Board Member Nishioka and Chair Hoy.

A motion was made by Board Member Nishioka, seconded by Board Member Stapleton to direct staff to begin the process of initiating a new urban renewal area (URA) in the north waterfront area.

Comments by: Board Member Nishioka and Community Planning and Development Director Kristin Retherford.

Board Member Gonzalez disclosed that he owns property in the proposed urban renewal area.

Additional Questions or Comments by: Board Members Stapleton and Nordyke, Director Retherford, and Board Members Phillips and Hoy.

The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

Aye: 9 - Hoy, Nordyke, Stapleton, Phillips, Gonzalez, Varney, Nishioka, Hoy, and Gwyn

Nay: 0

Abstain: 0

6. INFORMATION REPORTS:

None.

The meeting adjourned at 6:18 p.m.