

Garfield Redevelopment Agency

March 4, 2019
Minutes of Public Meeting

Chairman Arthur Andreano called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Chairman Andreano announced compliance with the Sunshine Law.

Notice of the time, date and place of this meeting has been provided at least 48 hours in advance (1) by publication in The Herald News and in The Bergen Record both of which are official newspapers of the City of Garfield; (2) by posting of the Notice of meeting on the Community Bulletin Board at the municipal building and (3) by filing a copy of the Notice with the City Clerk.

The following Commissioners were present: Chairman Arthur Andreano, Commissioner Raymond Simone, Commissioner Joseph Delaney, Commissioner Peter Amadio, Commissioner John Easom, and Commissioner Daniel Rigoglioso. Commissioner Anna Sciacca was absent.

The following were also present: Santo T. Alampi, Esq. – Attorney to the Agency; Dennis Harrington, PE, - Agency Engineer; Pat Esposito – Secretary; Beth Calderone – Certified Court Reporter and Roy Roggitano, CFO.

The First Agenda Item was New Business.

The first item of New Business was the approval of the Minutes of the February 4, 2019 meeting of the Board. Commissioner Easom introduced a motion to approve the meeting minutes of the Agency, which was seconded by Commissioner Peter Amadio and voted unanimously by those eligible to vote.

The Next Agenda Items was Old Business.

The first item of Old Business was an update on the Kalama Property. Mr. Mark Schaevitz of Paragon advised that he was not able to get waiver. Mr. Schaevitz stated that he believes a daycare also violates the restriction. Mr. Schaevitz advised that there is a deed restriction and the owner does not appear willing to waive it. The only other economic opportunity is self-storage with perhaps two (2) pods. After some discussion, Mr. Schaevitz was advised that he would need to present a plan to the Agency.

The Next Agenda item was the March 2019 Bills presented for payment.

Commissioner Raymond Simone introduced a motion pay all the March 2019 Bills of the Agency, which was seconded by Commissioner Rigoglioso and voted unanimously by those eligible to vote.

The Next Agenda item was Public Participation.

Commissioner Adadio made a motion to open to public, which was seconded by Commissioner Easom and voted unanimously by those eligible to vote. Michael Denistran of 104 Palisade Avenue spoke. Mr. Denistran commented that he has seen worse than the Kalama Site which were cleaned up and built with a mall. With technology today we can do anything. He would like to see the site developed

No other member of the Public spoke and Commissioner Delaney made a motion to close to public, which was seconded by Commissioner Simione and voted unanimously by those eligible to vote.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 7:30 p.m. Next meeting is April 1, 2019.

Respectfully Submitted,

Santo T. Alampi