ECONOMIC & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MINUTES

January 17, 2017

In Attendance

Councilman Chris Anderson, Committee Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m. A quorum was present, including Council Chairwoman Carol Berz, Vice Chair Moses Freeman and Council members Russell Gilbert, Larry Grohn, Chip Henderson, Jerry Mitchell and Ken Smith. Phil Noblett, Deputy City Attorney, and Nicole Gwyn, CMC, Council Clerk, were also present. Councilman Hakeem was not present.

Others in Attendance

Chamber of Commerce: Charles Wood, V.P. of Economic Development; Public Works Department: Bill Payne, City Engineer

Approval of Minutes

On motion of Councilman Mitchell and seconded by Councilman Gilbert, the minutes of the last meeting (November 29, 2016) were approved as published.

Educational Session: Sewer Relocation & Grant Application (Tubman Site)

A discussion ensued with Mr. Wood and Mr. Payne about an upcoming resolution authorizing the acceptance, if awarded, of a Tennessee Department of Economic and Community Development Grant for the Tubman site. The grant would require matching funds from the City. Mr. Wood discussed the initial application two years ago and reaching the first round. He also discussed the current submittal phase.

Mr. Payne displayed drawings from the grant application package that showed the preferred route of the sewer location and the alternative route. He also discussed why the alternative route is not ideal for the relocation and estimated cost to the City. He and Mr. Wood also discussed options if the grant is awarded, but bids are too high for the City. At the request of Councilman Henderson, Mr. Wood agreed to find out if the City would have an "out" from the State during the award process.

PILOT Agreements

At the request of Councilman Gilbert, Mr. Wood also agreed to provide information on the PILOT agreements that have been complete and how they benefitted the City. Mr. Noblett discussed clawbacks in current PILOT agreement.

Adjournment

Councilman Anderson adjourned the meeting at 5:05 p.m.

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