

CITY OF MARINE CITY

Workgroup for City-Owned Properties

Guy Community Center, 260 South Parker Street Public Meeting: Wednesday, February 9, 2022; 5:30 PM

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. MOMENT OF SILENCE / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- **3. ROLL CALL:** City Commissioners Jacob Bryson, Brian Ross, John Kreidler; Planning Commissioner Ben Heath; Community & Economic Development Chair Joseph Moran; City Manager Holly Tatman
- 4. APPROVE AGENDA
- **5. PUBLIC COMMENT** Anyone is welcome to address the Workgroup.
- 6. APPROVE MINUTES
 - A. January 20, 2022
- 7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS
 - A. Meeting Schedule
 - B. 300 Broadway
 - C. 303 South Water Street
- 8. NEW BUSINESS
- 10. ADJOURNENT

City of Marine City Workgroup for City-Owned Properties January 20, 2022

A regular meeting of the Workgroup for City-Owned Properties was held on Thursday, January 20, 2022 at 260 South Parker Street, and was called to order by Deputy Clerk Goodrich at 5:30 pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Deputy Clerk Goodrich.

Present: City Commissioner Jacob Bryson, Brian Ross, John Kreidler; Planning Commissioner Ben Heath; Community & Economic Development Chair Joseph Moran; City Manager Holly Tatman; Deputy Clerk Michele Goodrich

Absent: None.

Appoint Chairperson

Motion by Commissioner Kreidler, seconded by Commissioner Bryson, to appoint Community & Economic Development Chair Joseph Moran as the Workgroup for City-Owned Properties Chairperson. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Approve Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Ross, seconded by Commissioner Bryson, to approve the Agenda. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Public Comment

Chairperson Moran informed the workgroup participants that public comment may be made during the discussion of each property and that the meeting would keep an open forum format that would not limit reasonable speaking time.

Approve Minutes

None.

Unfinished Business

New Business

300 Broadway

Friends of City Hall Representative, Judith White, distributed informational materials that included a list of the Friends of City Hall investments made at 300 Broadway, a proposed business plan and purchase agreement.

Mrs. White discussed utilizing 300 Broadway as a rental venue and performance center and stated that, as owners, Friends of City Hall would be in better position to obtain grants and donations. She addressed the Friends of City Hall intent to establish a Foundation to maintain the costs associated with 300 Broadway.

Phil Oleksiak spoke in support of selling 300 Broadway to Friends of City Hall.

Kim Turner spoke in favor of selling 300 Broadway to Friends of City Hall, however, she was opposed to selling the adjacent park property.

Chairperson Moran stated that the Planning Commission had removed the park from the Master Plan, however, the entire issue of the park property at 300 Broadway needed to be revisited.

There was a discussion regarding the park property at 300 Broadway being designated a historical district; it was stated that any donated items would be protected from removal.

303 South Water Street

Phil Oleksiak spoke in opposition of selling 303 South Water Street and would like the building converted to a welcome center.

Kim Turner spoke in opposition of selling 303 South Water Street and would like the building demolished and the City to name the remaining park space the, "Bertha and Otto Guy Community Park."

Rosalie Skwiers stated that 303 South Water Street was not ADA compliant.

There was a discussion regarding the City's ability to lease the building. It was questioned what the City's responsibility would be to bring the building up to code.

Judith White proposed that the City instruct the Historical Commission to do a study group to look into the creation of a second historical district to encompass 303 South Water Street and Water Works Park.

The discussion regarding the sale of the building addressed the gain of a tax base over leasing. It was questioned what property would be included with the sale.

Cheryl Vercammen stated that she would prefer development.

Commissioner Kreidler made the suggestion that the City sell 303 South Water Street and put the money from the sale into 300 Broadway.

Meeting Schedule

The next meeting for the Workgroup of City Owned Properties was set for Wednesday, February 2, 2022 at 5:30pm at 260 South Parker Street.

Adjournment

Motion by Commissioner Ross, seconded by Commissioner Kreidler, to adjourn at 6:35 pm. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Michele Goodrich Deputy Clerk

Kristen Baxter City Clerk