

VISITOR IMPROVEMENTS FUND ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

Wednesday, January 14, 2009
REGULAR MEETING
Noon * Conference Room

The regular meeting of the Board was called to order at 12:08 p.m. by Vice Chair Helen Rogers.

PRESENT ON ROLL CALL: Board Members Gil Frontella, Michael Langhorne, Trent Pierson, Matt Sturgeon, Jim Voorheis, and Vice Chair Helen Rogers.

Mr. Sturgeon moved to excuse Scott Becker and John Savage from today's meeting; seconded by Mr. Pierson. The motion passed unanimously.

OTHERS PRESENT: Wanda Nelson, City Clerk.

ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 10, 2008 MINUTES

Mr. Langhorne moved to approve the Minutes; seconded by Mr. Sturgeon. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW LIBRARY

Mr. Sturgeon stated that the Library is moving forward with their plans for a new building. An open house is scheduled on January 29th for further discussion.

PART TIME PROJECT COORDINATOR

At the last meeting, the Board invited Kathleen Morse to attend to discuss her interest in coordinating projects funded by the VIF. Ms. Morse was unable to attend, but will be invited to the meeting in February.

GATEWAY PLAN

Mr. Sturgeon reviewed the Gateway Plan. The consultants can create a model of the project in either two-dimension (2D) or three-dimension (3D), with the 3D model costing approximately \$7000 more. Mr. Langhorne pointed out that 3D models make projects easier to visualize and can be manipulated with "what-if" scenarios. Mr. Frontella moved to approve the 3D model in an amount of \$16,750; seconded by Mr. Pierson. The motion passed unanimously.

OTHER DISCUSSION ITEMS

Ms. Rogers stated that the benches and trash receptacles have been ordered, with an approximate delivery date of March 6. Mr. Frontella requested that the minutes of these meetings be sent to City Council for their information. When the link on the website to the minutes and agendas is sent to the Board, Ms. Nelson will copy the Councilors as well. The list of proposed projects will be posted on the website. Mr. Sturgeon will incorporate the mission and vision into the Strategic Plan. Mr. Langhorne stated that Bob Howard has joined the EDC, and has offered his consultant's time to help brand the Airpark. Mr. Frontella noted that the roundabout sculptures are progressing. He also emphasized the importance of the striping in the roundabouts. Ms. Rogers brought up the landscaping plan for Highways 6 & 24, and would like to discuss it in further detail at the February meeting. Mr. Frontella pointed out that trucks are being parked across from the gas stations, and are left running while the drivers run errands. Ms. Rogers and Mr. Frontella will be attending an historic preservation seminar next month. At the February meeting, the Board would like to discuss an open house to solicit citizen input on future projects.

The meeting adjourned at 1:28 p.m.

Wanda Nelson, City Clerk

Helen Rogers, Vice Chair