

**MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
GARY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
MARCH 17, 2021**

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT the Gary Redevelopment Commission met in a Regular session in a virtual meeting in its offices at 504 Broadway, Suite 200, Gary, Indiana on Wednesday, March 17, 2021.

PRESENT:

**Eric E. Reaves, President
Adam Hall, Vice-President
George A. Rogge, Secretary
Jeremiah King, Member
Gwendolyn F. Sims, Member
Glenn I. Johnson, Representative of School Corp.**

ALSO PRESENT:

**Carrol Pirtle, Deputy Director
Rodney Pol, Esq., Commission Attorney
Jeraldine Williams, Staff
Debera Backhus, Staff
Sheleita Miller, Gatekeeper Accounting
Diana Morrow, Director of Gary Public Library
John Talbot
Pamela May
Janet
Jacquelyn Harris, The 411 News
Carrie Napoleon, Post-Tribune Newspaper**

THE MEETING was called to order by Commissioner Reaves at 4:03 P. M.

ROLL CALL: Commissioner Reaves, Commissioner Hall, Commissioner Rogge, Commissioner King and Commissioner Sims were present. Mr. Johnson, Representative of School Corp. was present.

CERTIFICATION OF RECORD of Executive Session, held Wednesday, March 17, 2021: Commissioner Reaves read into the record, "Statement of Executive

Session. I hereby certify that nothing has been discussed in the Executive Session held immediately before this open meeting except those items specified and listed in the Notice". Commissioner Hall moved for approval of the Certificate of Record of the Executive Session. Commissioner Rogge seconded. The vote showed:

Ayes – All

Nays – None

The motion was carried.

REVIEW and AWARD RFQ No. 2021-1 and REQUEST for APPROVAL of RESOLUTION NO. 7148, a resolution authorizing the execution of a Demolition Agreement for the supply and hauling of backfill material services for various demolition sites with Gary Material Supply, LLC relating to RFQ No. 2021-1: Ms. Pirtle said Staff sent out RFQ. No. 2021-1 for supply and hauling of backfill material services for various demolition sites. Staff requested to award and enter into a contract with Gary Material Supply as being the lowest, most responsive and responsible bidder for RFQ No. 2021-1. The contract is in a not to exceed amount of \$50,000 for backfill and \$20,000 for concrete disposal. The contract ends on December 31, 2022. Staff recommended to approved Resolution No. 7148. Commissioner Hall moved for approval. Commissioner Sims seconded. The vote showed:

Ayes – All

Nays – None

The motion was carried.

REQUEST for APPROVAL of RESOLUTION NO. 7149, a resolution authorizing the execution of a Demolition Agreement for demolition services with JM Industrial Services, Inc. for a structure located at 4533 Broadway related to RFQ No. 2020-5: Ms. Pirtle said Staff sent out RFQ. No. 2020-5 to demolish a structure located at 4533 Broadway. Staff requested to award and enter into a contract with JM Industrial Services, Inc. as being the lowest, most responsive and responsible bidder for RFQ No. 2020-5. The contract is in a not to exceed amount of \$25,875. The contract ends on December 31, 2021. Staff recommended to approved Resolution No. 7149. Commissioner Rogge moved for approval. Commissioner Hall seconded. The vote showed:

Ayes – All

Nays – None

The motion was carried.

REQUEST for APPROVAL of RESOLUTION NO. 7150, a resolution authorizing the execution of a Demolition Agreement for demolition services with JM Industrial Services, Inc. for various structures located at 2032 Connecticut Street and 2033 Connecticut Street related to RFQ No. 2020-11: Ms. Pirtle said Staff sent out RFQ. No. 2020-11 to demolish structures located at 2032 Connecticut Street and 2033 Connecticut Street. Staff requested to award and enter into a contract with JM Industrial Services, Inc. as being the lowest, most responsive and responsible bidder for RFQ No. 2020-11. The contract is in a not to exceed amount of \$13,675. The contract ends on December 31, 2021. Staff recommended to

approved Resolution No. 7150. Commissioner Sims moved for approval. Commissioner Hall seconded. The vote showed:

Ayes – All

Nays – None

The motion was carried.

REQUEST for APPROVAL of RESOLUTION NO. 7151, a resolution authorizing the execution of a Demolition Agreement for demolition services with JM Industrial Services, Inc. for various structures located at 329 Hayes Street and 4970 Kentucky Street related to RFQ No. 2020-12: Ms. Pirtle said Staff sent out RFQ. No. 2020-12 to demolish structures located at 329 Hayes Street and 4970 Kentucky Street. Staff requested to award and enter into a contract with JM Industrial Services, Inc. as being the lowest, most responsive and responsible bidder for RFQ No. 2020-12. The contract is in a not to exceed amount of \$14,698. The contract ends on December 31, 2021. Staff recommended to approved Resolution No. 7151. Commissioner Sims moved for approval. Commissioner Rogge seconded. The vote showed:

Ayes – All

Nays – None

The motion was carried.

REQUEST for APPROVAL of RESOLUTION NO. 7152, a resolution authorizing the execution of a Demolition Agreement for demolition services with Aavatar Enterprises, Inc. for a structure located at 1425 E. 50th Court related to RFQ No. 2020-12: Ms. Pirtle said Staff sent out RFQ. No. 2020-12 to demolish a structure

located at 1425 East 50th Court. Staff requested to award and enter into a contract with Aavatar Enterprises, Inc. as being the lowest, most responsive and responsible bidder for RFQ No. 2020-12. The contract is in a not to exceed amount of \$5,500. The contract ends on December 31, 2021. Staff recommended to approved Resolution No. 7152. Commissioner Hall moved for approval. Commissioner Sims seconded. The vote showed:

Ayes – All

Nays – None

The motion was carried.

REQUEST for APPROVAL of RESOLUTION NO. 7153, a resolution authorizing designating the 2021 Operating Appropriations for the Façade Improvement Rebate Fund (Fund 840) (Department 8140) in the City of Gary relating to the Redevelopment Commission: Ms. Backhus said this is an administrative action that is needed to set up the mentioned budget to send to the City Controller. This budget will enable Staff to make use of the dedicated funds that exist in order to be able to reimburse applicants who have successfully completed their projects and for future applicants who successfully complete their projects. The applicants pay for the façade work to the building and once Staff approves the work, we reimburse them ½ of their cost. The current balance in the Façade Improvement Rebate Fund (Fund 840) (Department 8140) is \$529,999.12. Staff recommended to approved Resolution No. 7153. Commissioner Hall moved for approval. Commissioner Sims seconded. The vote showed:

Ayes – All

Nays – None

The motion was carried.

REQUEST for APPROVAL of RESOLUTION NO. 7154, a resolution authorizing the execution of a Demolition Agreement for hauling and disposal services with ACTIN Contracting, LLC for various sites located in the City of Gary: Ms. Pirtle said Staff is requesting to enter into a contract with ACTIN Contracting, LLC as being the lowest, most responsive and responsible bidder for hauling and disposal services at various sites in the City. The contract is in a not to exceed amount of \$107 hauling per hour for removal of debris. The contract ends on December 31, 2022. Staff recommended to approve Resolution No. 7154. Commissioner Hall moved for approval. Commissioner Rogge seconded. The vote showed:

Ayes – All

Nays – None

The motion was carried.

NEW BUSINESS - Discussion: Executive Director's Report: Ms. Pirtle said there was no report.

PUBLIC Comment(s) on agenda items only: There was no comment.

COMMISSIONERS' Comments: There were no comments.

SCHOOL BOARD REPRESENTATIVE'S Comments: Mr. Johnson said on this coming Saturday and Sunday, Calumet High School will be the site to give out vaccinated shots for COVID-19 starting at 8:00 A. M., and most of the appointments have been taken. Also, there will representatives from the State of Indiana.

AGENDA Item(s) for next Board Meeting: Ms. Pirtle said there was none.

ADJOURNMENT: Commissioner Rogge moved to adjourn the meeting.

Commissioner Hall seconded. The vote showed:

Ayes – All

Nays – None

The motion was carried.

Commissioner Reaves adjourned the meeting at 4:18 P. M.

**By: _____
Eric E. Reaves, President**

**By: _____
George A. Rogge, Secretary**