

Land Bank Commission Minutes
May 20, 2009

Chair Grace Blagdon called the meeting to order. Members present were Grace Blagdon, Brad Walker, Hillis Schild, Willis Smith, Keith Wingfield, Susan Chan, and Mike Robinson. Arlen Jones was not present.

Approval of Minutes-

Chair Grace Blagdon asked that the April minutes be approved. A motion was made to approve the minutes by Mike Robinson, seconded by Andrew Francis.

Staff Reports –

Ward discussed there are CDBG funds (200,000) and (93,453) Neighborhood Revitalization Funds. Operational Budget is property purchases that can all be used for low moderate income areas. Spreadsheet will be put together for Budget line items) and Administrative Budget. He suggested the commission should go to their Funding Committee for ideas to distribute the funds.

Committee Reports-

Legal Affairs

The committee discussed preparing a list of specific procedures and select structures that are truly in a blighted state. By next meeting committee will have a list procedures available to contact

Administration and Operations

The committee plans to meet April 22nd at 1:00 p.m. at NRC.

Funding and Development

The committee plans to meet on April 24th at 10:00 a.m. at NRC.

Old Business-

No Report

New Business-

CDC- the commission decided that cleansing a title's for community development corporations would be an appropriate function. Commissioner Chan suggested amending the policies and procedures to give guidance. Commissioner Wingfield suggested that the Land Bank Commission create a budget.

Commissioner Hillis Smith asked if the Request for Proposal (RFP) will be available.

City Attorney Brittany Jefferson mentioned the RFP turned into a Request for Qualification (RFQ), Brittany will follow up with Deputy City Attorney Bill Mann and City Attorney Tom Carpenter on the RFQ in question.

Citizen Communication

Citizen Martie North asked, “What role will the Land Bank Commission have with revolving funds for the Land Bank Commission.”

Ms. North wanted to know if the Commission would serve in the Lending role.

Adjourn

Commissioner Grace Blagdon motioned that the meeting be adjourned.