

## Land Bank Commission Minutes

**MEETING DATE** March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 11:55 AM by Commissioner Leta Anthony at the Centre at University Park.

**COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:**

Mark Leggett

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:**

Jennifer Herron  
Ken Wade  
Leta Anthony  
Frances Frazier  
Laura McKinney  
Angela Neal  
Angela McCloyen  
Juanita Dodd  
Al Moore  
Monique Sanders

**BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF**

Director Joan Adcock, Doug Tapp, Victor Turner, Kimberly Adams, Kevin Howard, Director B.J. Wyrick, Mayor Mark Stodola

**DECLARATION OF QUORUM** -Quorum

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion to approve the February 2018 minutes was made by Commissioner Frances Frazier, there was a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Angela McCloyen. Eleven ayes, zero nays, Motion carried.

Chairperson Leta Anthony suspended the agenda to hear from Mayor Mark Stodola. The Mayor discussed the live local Invest Health program and a dialogue ensued between Land Bank Commissioners, City Board Directors and the Mayor. Below are statements and questions that were part of that discussion.

Invest Health and the organization of a Sub-committee

Mayor Mark Stodola addressed the Invest Health program. He and Dir Adcock worked on legislative changes to start the land bank, and build neighborhoods.

Next year will have 2 million dollars for the public rights of way for the Pine/Cedar and 12<sup>th</sup> Street area. \$500,000.00 also available for engineering for the project.

About 600-700 med center employees live in the area. The med center is willing to help employees with paying down interest rates, closing costs, down payment, etc. With the idea of re-seeding and rebuilding these nearby neighborhoods. The mayor believes it's a golden opportunity for the city. If the

land bank commission wants to put stipulations on the donation, i.e. length of employment, time to build, type of property to build, length of occupancy, etc. then that is fine.

Leta Anthony discussed gentrification and maintaining the fabric of the 12<sup>th</sup> Street corridor. The mayor stated gentrification is not the goal.

Director Adcock stated the Mayors pitch was not what we had been previously told and asked for details about the financial contributions the hospitals will contribute. Suggested we start with the med center and then extend it to other facilities if it is successful. Additionally mentioned adding Arkansas Childrens Hospital.

Odessa Darrough discussed details regarding employees versus hospital contractors. Stated we are seeking clarity on the issue.

Director Adcock recommended starting a sub-committee to nail down the details and solidify a proposal from the hospitals and Invest Health to approve.

Angela McCloyen discussed prior statements regarding the Health Department being involved, as well as other hospitals/clinics/medical facilities.

Director B.J. Wyrick asked the Mayor what the timing was with regards to the hospitals being receptive of this program and the Mayor stated last week.

The Mayor and Leta discussed a recent offer of a pilot program, including existing city owned structures and details about the corridor involved with Land Bank program. Battery to Fair Park Blvd or University and from interstate 630 to Asher.

Director Wyrick stated UAMS laid off many employees recently and many were cafeteria workers. Those employees that want to get into housing may have recently been laid off.

Leta Anthony asked if LB properties would be turned over to ACHI or what's the model we're going to use. The Mayor stated we would make lots available to them just like we would a city employee.

### **Staff Reports – Doug Tapp**

Doug presented Odessa Darrough with a certificate of award thanking her for eight years of service to the Land Bank Commission. Her term expired a few days ago but this is her last meeting as a commissioner.

- A. Introduction of new Land Bank Commissioners
  - 1. Ken Wade
  - 2. Monique Sanders
  - 3. Al B. Moore, Jr.

Each of the new appointees introduced themselves and gave a brief background.

City Directors, Staff and Land Bank Commissioners introduced themselves to the new commissioners.

Laura McKinney and Jennifer Herron were recently reappointed to the Land Bank Commission.

- B. Finance Report: General Fund Balance S35A575' 16 2016- \$37,842.24  
General Fund Balance S35S748 '17 2017- \$1,737.99  
General Fund Balance S35A946 '18 2018- \$217,071.13  
CDBG Fund Balance - \$76,117.94

- C. Property Inventory- 90 total properties  
D. April LBC meeting location

#### **Old Business**

- A. 2205 Dennison- Purchase –awaiting tax payment
- B. 2301 and 2318 S. Martin- Seller agreed to appraised value offer, city board April
- C. 2021 S. Maple – Acquisition letter mailed to owner. Appraised for \$19,000.00
- D. 3324 S. Broadway – Purchase- vacant lot- awaiting o/a.
- E. 2306 Valmar – made offer to SCL, awaiting redemption period. (Love Nghd)
- F. Rolling Pines 80 Lot sale- all 80 lots cleared
- G. 2016, 2020, 2022 S. Pulaski – City board agenda April
- H. 8312 Colonel Glenn – donation of commercial property to city board

#### **New Business**

A. 3415 and 3419 W. 14<sup>th</sup> St. - Sale - \$2,000.00 each.  
Commissioner Angela McCloyen made a motion to accept pending good title and a deed Restriction. Commissioner Angela Neal made a 2<sup>nd</sup> to the motion. Eleven ayes, Zero nays, Motion carried.

#### **B. Invest Health Sub-Committee-**

Commissioner Angela McCloyen made a motion to start a sub-committee and a willingness to commit to work with Invest Health to develop this program using similar guidelines as the existing City of Little Rock employee and Little Rock School District employee program. A second was made by Commissioner Angela Neal. Eleven ayes, zero nays, motion carried.

#### **Invest Health Sub-Committee**

- 1. Laura McKinney
- 2. Frances Frazier
- 3. Monique Sanders
- 4. Director Joan Adcock
- 5. Angela McCloyen

Director Adcock asked that the program be developed into a proposal including all aspects of the Invest Health program, including partnerships with med centers. Angela McCloyen asked to detail which census tracts would be involved.

**Citizen Communication-** none

**Staff Communication-** none

**Commissioner Communication-** none

**Adjourn-** 1:10 P.M. Commissioner Laura McKinney made a motion to adjourn, a 2<sup>nd</sup> by Commissioner Angela McCloyen, motion carried. Adjourn.