REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP SOMERSET COUNTY. NEW JERSEY

Minutes of Meeting November 16th, 2020

The meeting of the Redevelopment Agency of Franklin Township virtually and was called to order at 7:30 p.m. The Sunshine Law was read and the roll was taken.

Present: Kimberly Francois; Carl Wright; Nina Jordan; Kiana Jones;

Absent: Ike Agudosi

Also Present: Robert Beckelman, Attorney; Mark Healey, Executive Director

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

The regular meeting minutes of July 27, 2020 were approved, with a motion made by Mr. Wright seconded by Ms. Jordan and unanimously approved and released by a voice vote.

RPM UPDATE

Mr. Healey summarized the written update by RPM.

LEEWOOD UPDATE

No update was provided.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 06-2020: 2021 Meeting Calendar

The resolution was approved, with a motion made by Ms. Jordan seconded by Mr. Wright and unanimously approved and released by a voice vote.

Resolution 07-2020: Approval of 2021 Agency Budget

Mr. Healey summarized the draft budget with the total being \$40,000 with \$10,000 from the Township and the remainder from fund balance, consistent with various previous years. Mr. Healey explained that after the Agency approves it that it will be sent to the State, modified as directed by the State and then it will return to the Agency for adoption.

The resolution was approved, with a motion made by Ms. Jordan seconded by Ms. Jones and unanimously approved and released by a voice vote.

Resolution 08-2020: Late Budget Approval

Mr. Healey summarized that the budget was being adopted late (i.e., less than 60 days before the end of the year) because we didn't know the amount from the Township until recently (as in previous years).

The resolution was approved, with a motion made by Mr. Wright seconded by Ms. Jones and unanimously approved and released by a voice vote.

RPM - Concept plan presentation

Richard Martoglio and Elizabeth Kulinich from RPM were present along with Joaquin Bouzas, their architect, to present the next phases of their redevelopment which would consist of development of townhouses on five different sites. It was explained that while formal site plan approval would rest with the Planning Board, RPM was presenting their plans prior to formal submittal for the purpose of gathering input from the Agency. The Agency offered input including concerns about compatibility of the proposal with existing sites that weren't included in this phase, a question about access to the back yards from units and consistency of the plan with the overall concept plan in terms of public open space (particularly block 113).

PUBLIC SESSION

A motion was made by Mr. Wright to open the public session. Said motion was seconded by Ms. Jordan and unanimously carried by a voice vote. A motion was made by Mr. Wright and seconded by Ms. Jordan to close the public session. Said motion was carried unanimously carried by a voice vote.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm