

MINUTES
MID-STATE STREET PARKING AND MIXED-USE EVALUATION TEAM
MMB, Room LL110
April 18, 2005

Present: Trudy Barash, Curt Brink, Bill Knobloch, Rosemary Lee, Sharon McCabe, Larry Nelson, Archie Nicolette, Mike Schmidt, Susan Schmitz, Ken Streit, Ald. Verveer, and Ledell Zellers

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m.

I. Review of the Agenda for the meeting.

Mr. Olinger reviewed the agenda for the meeting.

II. Review of Minutes

On a motion by Ms. Schmitz, seconded by Alder Verveer, the Minutes of the March 28, 2005, meeting were approved.

III. Public Comment

Ms. Rosemary Lee asked that there be a second "Public Comment" period added towards the end of the meeting as people in attendance could comment on actions of the Evaluation Team. Mr. Olinger stated that could be arranged.

Mr. Brink commented on the recent filing of complaints pertaining to the Lobbying Ordinance and the effect that may have on his ability to move this project forward.

IV. Process Update

- a. **Resolution Adopting Redevelopment District** – Mr. Olinger stated that the Redevelopment Plan will be introduced for action by the Council on April 19, with referrals to Plan Commission and back to Council on May 17.
- b. **Parking Ramp RFP** – Bill Knobloch of Parking Utility stated that the RFP has been posted on the City's web site, and Parking Utility staff identified approximately 20 vendors that were mailed the list directly (a copy of that list is attached to the minutes).

Proposals are due back May 6, 2005. After they are received they will be reviewed, a short list developed, and interviews (if needed) scheduled. Hopefully a firm will be selected by middle of June.

Goal is still to have project – the parking portion – under construction during first quarter of 2006.

There was some comment regarding coordination with housing project, and the design development of air rights project. It was noted that this will require the effort of many staff and the bidder to pull off successfully.

Ms. Zellers asked about coordination with Lisa Link Market Plan. Ms. Schmitz stated that several members of the Friends of Lisa Link Peace Park Committee are on the Evaluation Team and that she would be willing to bring this up to the Committee. Mr. Nelson stated that Mr. Jim Morgan, Parks Superintendent, could not be at meeting – but was aware of the issue and has been kept informed of progress. As it relates to the Park, two items in this project are paramount; establishing a footprint of the ramp, and the effect of that access to the Park from the ramp and vice versa.

- c. **Timeline Review** – Mr. Olinger stated that the timeline contained in the Statehouse West response will need to be revised. Staff will be working on that and report back by next meeting.

V. Parking

- a. **Discussions with DMI, GSSBA, and BID** – Mr. Olinger stated Mid-State Street Parking and Mixed-Use Facility was discussed at April 5, 2005, GSSBA meeting. Two topics mentioned: (1) Was ramp going to be easy to get into and out of since congestion at Buckeye Lot is often difficult; and (2) can people use parking while condominiums are under construction?

The answer to (1) is that no plans are in place at this time for additional traffic control, e.g., traffic signals at either Carroll or Henry Streets. The situation will be monitored, but as parking is to be removed along Gorham from State to Broom, it should be easier to merge into traffic. Regarding (2), as long as it's possible to get people in and out of the ramp safely, parking could be used at the site.

Parking Utility and Planning and Development staff will be at the BID Board meeting of April 26 to discuss the project.

VI. Schedule of Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for June 20, 2005, at 5:00 p.m. in Room LL110 of the Madison Municipal Building.

VII. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark A. Olinger, Director
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