North Main-Huron River Corridor Vision Task Force
MEETING MINUTES

Date: January 23, 2013
Time: 5:00 to 7:00 pm
Location: City Hall, Larcom Building, Basement A Conference Room

Attendees:

**Task Force Members present:** Bonnie Bona, Ray Detter, Sandi Smith, Mike Martin, Darren McKinnon, Tamara Burns, Cyndi Ives, Julie Grand, Sabra Briere, Connie Brown, Elizabeth Riggs, Paul Ganz,

**Task Force Members absent:** David Santacroce, Rita Combest

**Staff present:** Sumedh Bahl, Eli Cooper, Amy Kuras, Wendy Rampson

A. *Call to Order*

Meeting called to order by Sandi Smith.

B. *Roll Call*

C. *Approval of Agenda*

D. *Approval of Minutes*

January 2, 2012 minutes approved.

E. *Eli Cooper, A.I.C.P, Transportation Program Manager: Potential Phased Approaches to North Main Street Issues*

Eli - Presentation, *Coordination with N. Main Street Task Force: Non-motorized Systems*. Handout provided on timing of items already in the NoMo master plan document and Capital Improvements Plan (CIP). Task Force recommendations for this area will provide guidance to City staff in setting policy/value priorities for this area, especially for components that are too small for the CIP. Discussion & questions. Our vision and recommendations will be implemented in pieces over a long period of time, but some components may be possible very soon. Eli will provide documentation that explains how non-motorized improvements are being prioritized.

Amy - Questions about park connections and tunnels.

F. *Wendy Rampson, Planning Manager: Sustainability Framework and Master Plan Objectives for the North Main Corridor*

Wendy - Handout of pending Sustainability Framework (to be adopted by Council soon). This provides broad policy guidance from all the public input generated by all the City’s master planning efforts over 20+ years. The City has started using this framework as a common organizing format for all reports to reinforce alignment with our sustainability goals.
Planning Commission is responsible for drafting updates to the Land Use element of our Master Plan and our Zoning Ordinance. The Task Force’s vision and recommendations of the North Main Street and Huron River area as a place, as well as a corridor, will provide guidance for revisions to these documents. Even as our work is ongoing, our ideas can start to inform Planning through Bonnie Bona (Planning Commissioner) and Sabra Briere (Council representative on Planning Commission), giving our effort a leg up in preparing for some initial improvements.

G. Sub-Committee Meeting Planning and Notice Requirements Review
Sandi - Reminder about the importance of the email sent by Debra to Task Force members about submitting subcommittee meeting times and locations for proper public notice. Please set a schedule for several meetings in advance.

H. Update on City Council Presentation and Options for Pursuing Future Work on 721 N. Main Site
Darren - David and Darren presented our recommendation for 721 to Council on January 7th. They laid the groundwork for an additional funding request for the non-floodway portion of the site: 1) $30,000 budget for an environmental and structural analysis, and 2) $5,000 budget for market research.

Moved by Darren McKinnon and seconded by Sandi Smith. Resolution draft approved.

*Conceptual Elements of Resolution for City Council Approval:*

1) whereas, City provides short term maintenance and repair to protect the existing building and its structure;
2) therefore, City hires a consultant to provide a structural analysis of the existing building;
3) therefore, City hires a consultant to conduct a hazardous materials survey of the existing building;
4) therefore, City receives results of these by May 15th for a sum not-to-exceed $30,000.

Sabra Briere and Sumedh Bahl will craft the final resolution language and share with the Task Force prior to presenting it to City Council.

I. Communications Received
Sumedh - Notification of a public meeting on February 26 for the “Allen Creek berm opening feasibility study” at 6:30-8pm, City Hall Basement Conference Room A.

J. Public Commentary (3 minutes per speaker)
Allen Haber - Imagine Warming Centers, interested in using the existing building at 721 N. Main for the homeless and artists.
K. Adjournment
6:50 pm