

**COLUMBIA CITY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MINUTES  
JANUARY 13, 2015**

The Columbia City Redevelopment Commission met in regular session with the following

**members present:** Vice President Commissioner Kevin Snell  
Secretary Commissioner Patricia Hatcher  
Commissioner Ben Romine  
President Commissioner Carl Siler

**Those absent:** Commissioner Dr. Angela Leonhard

**Also in attendance:** Martha Acres, Administrative Assistant to the Mayor  
Jeff Walker, Columbia City Community Development Director  
Stan Meyer, Ex-Officio Member

President Commissioner Siler asked for approval of the December 9, 2014 minutes. Commissioner Romine made a motion, which is seconded by Secretary Commissioner Hatcher, to **approve the minutes of the December 9, 2014 meeting with the correction of changing “ORA” to “URA”**. On call of the vote, all voted aye.

President Commissioner Siler requested approval for the **January 2, 2015 minutes**. Commissioner Romine made a motion, which is seconded by Secretary Commissioner Hatcher, to **approve the minutes with the correction of changing “\$2,000” to “\$10,000” on the value of gifted property**. On call of the vote, all voted aye.

President Commissioner Siler stated in reference to the acquisition of property 213 W. VanBuren Street, they needed a letter of intent and a Broker’s estimated opinion of value, which has been received. The Commission discussed the expenses involved in demolition of this building and relocating utilities. Mayor Daniel is willing to provide, with Council’s permission, \$60,000 towards this project. President Commissioner Siler informed the Commission the owners of the building located directly east of 213 W. VanBuren offered to sell their building for \$35,000. The Commission discussed different aspects of this project.

**Commissioner Dr. Angela Leonhard is now present.**

After more discussion on the acquisition of property, Commissioner Romine made a motion, which is seconded by Vice President Commissioner Snell, to proceed with the acquisition of 213 W. VanBuren Street pending the cooperation of other city partners. On call of the vote, all voted aye. Commissioner Romine will speak with the Council this evening at their meeting.

President Commissioner **Siler presented Resolution No. 2014-R2, which is a declaratory resolution of the Columbia City Redevelopment Commission**, for the Commission’s

consideration. After some discussion, President Commissioner Siler stated the RR Corridor really needs to be addressed. On the motion of Commissioner Romine and second of Secretary Commissioner Hatcher, to **accept Resolution No. 2014-R2**, all voted aye.

President Commissioner Siler presented **Resolution No. 2014-R3, which is an amending declaratory resolution of the Columbia City Redevelopment Commission**. After Jeff Walker explained the purpose of this ordinance, Commissioner Romine made a motion, which is seconded by Vice President Commissioner Snell, to **approve Resolution No. 2014-R3**. On call of the vote, all voted aye.

President Commissioner Siler presented the **RFP from Martin Riley** on the Commission's property located at **306 W. VanBuren Street**. Vice President Commissioner Snell would like for mixed-use (commercial/residential) addressed. Within this RFP, there is language that needs cleaned up and it is suggested to work with Aimee Shimasaki within the next 90 days, and present again to the Commission for consideration.

President Commissioner Siler has requested **changing the meeting time of the Commission to 9:00 AM from now on to better serve everyone's schedule**. It is the consensus of the Commission to change the time of future meetings.

These minutes are respectfully submitted by Martha Acres, Administrative Assistant to the Mayor.