

**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY
OF THE CITY OF COOS BAY**

February 18, 1997

The minutes of the proceedings of a regular meeting of the Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Coos Bay, Coos County, Oregon, in the Council Chambers following the City Council meeting beginning at 7:30 p.m.

Those Present

Those present were Board Chair Joe Benetti, and Board Members Jeff McKeown, Cindi Miller, Don Spangler, Kevin Stufflebean, and Joanne Verger. Judy Weeks was absent due to illness. City staff present were City Manager Bill Grile, Deputy Recorder Joyce Jansen, City Attorney Randall Tosh, Community Services Director Bruce Meithof, and Police Chief Marc Adams.

Approval of the Minutes of February 4, 1997

Board Member Don Spangler moved to approve the minutes of February 4, 1997 as presented. The motion was seconded by Board member Joanne Verger and passed with all members present voting aye.

Adoption of Resolution URA 97-3 - Making a Minor Plan Amendment to the Coos Bay Empire District Urban Renewal Plan

City Manager Bill Grile noted a correction in the recommendation to read "historical waterfront" as the theme. Julia Spangler, representing the Empire Community Association, thanked the Agency for their help in establishing the Empire Urban Renewal District. Mrs. Spangler commented the area has already seen many positive results due to the formation of the district, and further commented Agency Board Members will be able to look back with pride at their accomplishment. Chair Joe Benetti reviewed the recommendation to make an amendment to the Empire District Urban Renewal Plan. Board Member Joanne Verger said she appreciated the way the Urban Renewal Agency moved forward with establishing the Empire Urban Renewal District. Board Member Don Spangler inquired if the City would go out for an RFP for the theme and sign. Community Services Director Bruce Meithof the City would not be required to follow the normal process on this matter. Sargent Webster, North Bend, thanked the Urban Renewal Agency for establishing the Empire Urban Renewal District, and noted that Newmark Avenue is the main thoroughfare to many of the area's main attractions.

Board Member Cindi Miller moved to adopt Historical Waterfront as the district theme, and to adopt Resolution URA 97-3 making a minor plan amendment to the Empire District Urban Renewal Plan. Board Member Don Spangler seconded the motion which passed with all members present voting aye.

Board Member Kevin Stufflebean inquired if the \$95,000 designated for infrastructure by the Budget Committee could be put back into the Urban Renewal Plan. City Manager Bill Grile commented the budget shows \$190,000 for projects and \$95,000 for infrastructure. Board Member Joanne Verger noted the urban renewal districts will receive more money than originally anticipated.

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City Attorney Randall Tosh explained that infrastructure is part of the Urban Renewal Plan and what Board Member Stufflebean is requesting is a change in priority. Board Member Don Spangler asked if a project could not be completed due to lack of funds, could the Agency move funds from the infrastructure line item and City Attorney Tosh answered in the affirmative.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chair Joe Benetti adjourned the Urban Renewal Agency meeting.

Joe Benetti
Chair of the Urban Renewal District
of the City of Coos Bay
Coos County, Oregon

ATTEST:

Don Spangler
Secretary of the Urban Renewal Agency
of the City of Coos Bay
Coos County, Oregon