



Regular Meeting

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Maureen Vear

Tuesday, January 25, 2022

2:00 PM

Virtual Meeting (Zoom)

I. Call to Order

2:00 PM Meeting called to order on January 25, 2022 at Virtual Meeting (Zoom) , Virtual Meeting, N/A, NA.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Melvin A. Edwards	Chairperson	Present	
Timothy C. Allen	Ward 7 Councilor	Present	
Lindsay B. Hackett	Management Analyst	Present	
Fiore Grassetti		Present	

II. Public Portion

1. Accept minutes of the December 14, 2021

Mr. Edwards called the meeting to order.

It was moved by Mr. Grassetti and seconded by Lindsay Hackett.

III. Discussion of REO Policies

Ms. Hackett spoke with the Mayor's Office in regards to the appointment of another person the Committee, she is waiting to hear back. She put in a request to the Law Dept as well for a lawyer to be available to the REO. Procurement Dept is unable to accommodate at this time.

1. Interim report on the DeBerry/Homer School Project- Subcontractor's REO workforce report

The Committee discussed the REO Work Force Report for Deberry/Homer Project. They reviewed the numbers. Mr. Grassetti stated the Sub-Contractors of Sub-Contractors need to be made aware of the REO requirements. He feels when you have sub of sub etc., they fail to meet the REO criteria. Liz Wambui from Fontaine Brothers will look into this.

Liz Wambui stated they are trying to be proactive and stay ahead of things. Frank Amaro stated that they meet numerous times with contractors to make them aware of the REO requirements. They have them sign a document stating that they agree.

They had Putnam students take a tour of the Deberry/Homer construction site to introduce them and encourage them to continue interest in the construction field.

2. Current challenges in meeting REO targets and resolutions for achievement

Chae Swan gave an update on future REO Projects. Forestry Operations Building, Forest Park, the General Contractor for this Project will be Marois Construction Company. Site work will

begin within the next couple of weeks. The construction work should begin in Spring 2022. The project is over \$1,000,000. Sci-Tech High School Window & Door Project was awarded to Chandler Architectural Product, Inc. This should begin at the end of June 2022 and be finished in August. The Project is over \$6,000,000.

Ms. Hackett suggested a Progress report for each project once completed. "Progress wrap up" . This should be presented to City Council and the Mayor, as a formal conclusion of the project overseen by the REO. Melvin suggested Lindsay to daft something up.

Lindsay asked Chae for an update on his replacement of his previous position with Compliance. They are finished with interviews and are hiring someone that they feel will be a good fit with new ideas.

A discussion was had about the Contractors that are a sub of a sub. A specific contractor was spoken about in regards to the past project that they were not meeting the numbers. It was suggested that a discussion should take place with the Contractor to see what their challenges are and discuss how the situation can be rectified to meet the REO standards.

IV. Public Speak out - 10 Minutes

Charlie Payne stated the Committee has helped many City resident with a career in the construction field. For example, a crew of Springfield Residents worked for a Sub Contractor on MGM, then on the Lincoln/Brightwood and will also be working on the Deberry/Homer Project. This has afforded them the opportunity to purchase homes and to have a career.

The next meeting will be decided

VOTED: To adjourn

Motion carried by voting in favor Mr. Grassetti seconded by Mr. Edwards

The Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Secretary