

**Housing and Third Ward Revitalization Task Force
Minutes
March 18, 2024
6:30 p.m.**

The Housing and Third Ward Revitalization Task Force held at the Heman Park Community Center on Monday, March 18, 2024. The meeting commenced at 6:40 p.m. and adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Voting Members Present:

Byron Price – Chair
Susan Murray
Patricia McQueen
Christina Dancy
Christopher Flood

Voting Members Absent:

Craig Hughes
Linda Peoples-Jones
Ariel Gardner
Mayela Zambrano

Staff Present:

Brooke A. Smith, Deputy City Manager/Dir. of Economic Development

Others attending:

Representatives from Yard & Co. and Collabo attended virtually.

A quorum was not established until 6:40 p.m. Yard & Co. began discussing their plan for the community engagement trip prior to a quorum being established.

Minutes

Motioned by Christina Dancy, seconded by Patricia McQueen and carried by voice vote to approve the minutes from September 18, 2023 and February 5, 2024.

Public Comments

There were none.

Yard & Co. – Community Engagement Trip March 20th – 22nd

Kevin Wright and Patrick Brunner attended virtually and went through the itinerary for the Community Engagement Trip. Kevin noted that they would be in University City from Wednesday through Friday. He walked the task force through their plan for the engagement trip and discussed some of the outstanding items. He also walked through the engagement boards, noting that they had likely already gone to print. They discussed the other marketing materials.

Deputy City Manager Smith noted that she had post cards with QR codes, yard signs, and t-shirts for the task force members. It was noted that the post cards and yard signs were specifically promoting the open house.

A member of the audience was allowed to ask a question; she asked who Yard & Co. was. Deputy City Manager Smith explained who they were.

For the one-on-one meetings, it was noted that if people could not meet in-person, they would follow up with virtual meetings.

Kevin noted that the second survey and interactive map were both live.

Discussion was had on the logistics of the open house scheduled for March 21st.

Task force members asked questions and provided feedback. Chair Price noted that task force members attending the events need to keep in mind they are speaking for themselves and not on behalf of the task force.

Kevin said he wanted to review the board. Deputy City Manager Brooke Smith suggested he email them as the task force could not see the laptop he was speaking on.

Deputy City Manager Smith explained how the survey will be conducted during the open house, noting that it would be done electronically. Kevin noted that the team intended to bring an iPad for people to complete the survey.

Task Force Member Comments

There were none

Adjourn

Motioned by Susan Murray, seconded by Christina Dancy to adjourn. Carried by voice vote.

Meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.