

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

February 4, 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 Cindi Miller, Don Spangler, Kevin Stufflebean, Joanne Verger, and Judy Weeks. Board member Jeff McKeown was absent due to illness. City staff present were City Manager Bill Grile, Deputy Recorder Joyce Jansen, City Attorney Randall Tosh, Finance Director Gail George, Community Services Director Bruce Meithof, Police Chief Marc Adams, and Library Director Carol Ventgen. Members of the media were also present.

Approval of the Minutes of November, 19, 1996

Board member Miller moved to approve the minutes of the November 19, 1996 meeting. Board member Weeks seconded the motion which passed with all Board members present voting aye.

Public Hearing - Supplemental Budget for FY 1996/97

Chair Benetti opened the public hearing on the Supplement Budget. Hearing no comments the hearing was closed.

Resolution URA 97-1 - Adoption of the Supplemental Budget

Board member Weeks moved to adopt Resolution URA 97-1 adopting the supplemental budget and making appropriations. Board member Miller seconded the motion which passed with all Board members present voting aye.

Public Hearing - Amendment to the Downtown Urban Renewal Plan to Provide for Library Rehabilitation Projects

Board Chair Joe Benetti opened the public hearing on amending the Downtown Urban Renewal Plan to provide for library rehabilitation projects.

Curt Benward, Library Board member, reviewed the projects to rehabilitate the library. Mr. Benward explained that when the expansion project was put on hold there were a number of things that still required attention. Mr. Benward expressed the rehabilitation projects would not solve the library's problems of lack of space, but are necessary because they were a part of the expansion and if not performed the structural integrity of the building would be compromised.

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Mr. Benward reported the resurfacing of roof was needed to fix the leaks and would extend the life of the roof for approximately ten years. He noted the last repairs were done in 1984 and 1985. Mr. Benward explained the carpeting would seal the asbestos tiled floor areas and would also significantly improve the acoustics of the meeting room. He commented the painting was for both interior and exterior, and this also had not been done since the 1980s. Mr. Benward reported some of the work would be done by city employees and would save on the cost. He reported the replacement of the light fixtures would provide better lighting for both interior and exterior areas, the new fixtures will use less energy and fewer replacement bulbs. Mr. Benward noted the bookshelves would be stabilized for earthquake preparedness. He reported the replacement of electrical wiring is due to inadequate wire to meet the electrical needs of the library. Mr. Benward explained the steps and handrails leading from the parking lot to Bennett Avenue were needed for safety and convenience. Board member Weeks inquired if the carpeting included the auditorium and Mr. Benward said yes. Board member Stufflebean asked if different outdoor light fixtures would be used and Mr. Benward replied the current fixtures would be retrofitted for the new lights.

There being no further comments, Chair Benetti closed the public hearing.

Resolution URA 97-2 - Adoption of the Amendment to the Downtown Urban Renewal Plan

Board member Verger asked the city attorney to explain how the project can be done under urban renewal. Mr. Tosh replied that the statute specifies minor amendments may be done by resolution. Board member Spangler inquired what line item would the project come from and the finance director said from the library project. Board member Verger moved to adopt Resolution URA 97-2 adopting the amendment to the Downtown Urban Renewal Plan. Board member Weeks seconded the motion which passed with all Board members present voting aye.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Chair 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