

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

October 7, 1997

The minutes of the proceedings of a regular meeting of the Urban Renewal Agency of the City of Coos Bay, Coos County, Oregon, held in the Council Chambers at 6:30 p.m.

**Those Present**

Those present were Board Chair Joe Benetti, and Board Members Don Spangler, Kevin Stufflebean, Joanne Verger, Cindi Miller, Judy Weeks, and Jeff McKeown. City staff present were City Manager Bill Grile, City Attorney Randall Tosh, Community Services Director Bruce Meithof, Police Chief Marc Adams, Library Director Carol Ventgen, Assistant Library Director Michele Caldwell, and Acting Recorder Melanie Johnston. Members of the media were also present.

**Approval of the Minutes of August 19, 1997**

Board Member Miller moved to approve the minutes as presented. Board Member Weeks seconded the motion which carried with all Board Members present voting aye.

**Approval of Conceptual Plan for Proposed Library Expansion**

Board Member Stufflebean moved to approve the Conceptual Plan for the Library Expansion. Board Member Judy Weeks seconded the motion which carried with all Board Members present voting aye.

Board Member Miller moved to approve the Urban Renewal Fact Sheet. Board Member Spangler seconded the motion which carried with all Board Members voting aye.

**Adoption of Resolution URA 97-7 - Regarding Funding and Administration of the Awning Program Under Ordinance No. 183**

City Manager Bill Grile stated that there had been some concerns about the administration and details relating to the awnings program. The Agency and Council had a work session where a couple of concepts were implemented. Based on those discussions, the City Attorney and Community Services Director have prepared Resolution URA 97-7. Staff recommends adoption of the Resolution. Board Member Spangler stated his concern that the owners of the business would have complete control over the awnings, and could tear them down. Community Services Director Bruce Meithof commented that he has prepared an eight year scale to refund the City if the awning is removed.

Board Member Stufflebean moved to adopt Resolution URA 97-7. Board Member Miller seconded. Board Member Spangler asked that conditions be applied stating the owner cannot remove. City Attorney Randall Tosh said all new awnings will have the same conditions. The motion carried with all Board Members voting aye.

**Design Review Board Recommendations**

City Manager Bill Grile reported the Design Review Board has wrestled with design alternatives to begin implementation of the Empire Urban Renewal Plan. Rob Porter, architect from Rich Turi, presented the designs. The presentation included the gateway to Empire and the landscape aisles on both Ocean Boulevard and Newmark Avenue. There were a few Board Members concerned with the verbiage on the sign, and the vegetation. It was decided to proceed with the design, work on the sign, and allow the Design Review Board to spend additional time to work on the vegetation selection.

Board Member Spangler moved to approve the drawing, and have staff proceed with the concept as presented. Board Member Miller seconded the motion which carried with all Board Members voting aye.

**Adjournment**

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

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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