



MEMO

To: Asheboro Redevelopment Commission

From: John N. Ogburn, III, City Manager

Date: September 8, 2021

RE: Asheboro Redevelopment Commission Regular Meeting

The Asheboro Redevelopment Commission will have its regularly scheduled meeting on **Monday, September 13, 2021, at 9:00 a.m.** in the Council Chambers at City Hall, located at 146 N. Church Street.

AGENDA
ASHEBORO REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2021
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
146 N. CHURCH STREET
9:00 AM

- I. Call to order
- II. Report on Redevelopment Commission Vacancies
- III. Approval of the Minutes (June 7, 2021)
- IV. Presentation by Ms. Rebekah McGee, Downtown Asheboro, Inc. Executive Director, of Preliminary Concept Plans for Potential Trade Street Improvements
- V. Status Report of Church Street Lofts
- VI. Announcement Regarding the City's Partnership with United Way of Randolph County for Rent, Mortgage, Utility Assistance via CDBG-CV Funding
- VII. Items not on the Agenda
- VIII. Adjourn

Minutes
Asheboro Redevelopment Commission
June 7, 2021
9:00 AM

The Asheboro Redevelopment Commission held its meeting on Monday, June 7, 2021, at 9:00 AM in the Council Chambers at City Hall, located at 146 North Church Street, Asheboro, NC, 27203.

Members Present:

Linda Carter, Chair
Ross Holt, Vice-Chair
David Jarrell
Jonna Libbert
Ann McGlohon
Katie Snuggs
Delilah Warner

Also present were John Evans, Assistant Community Development Division Director; Brad Morton, Planner/Deputy City Clerk; John Ogburn, City Manager.

Call to order

Ms. Carter called the meeting to order.

Approval of the minutes (May 3, 2021)

Mr. Jarrell moved to approve the meeting minutes from May 3, 2021. Ms. Snuggs seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Update on the potential acquisition of Acme McCrary property located on North Street

Mr. Ogburn stated that the City Council had a budget meeting last Thursday, June 3, 2021 and the funds to acquire this property were allocated. He stated that additional funds will be allocated to begin the historic survey for the downtown national register of historic places.

Update on the design and construction of Church Street Lofts

Mr. Ogburn briefly mentioned that there was an encroachment with railroad property, however, this item has now been addressed. There were no formal designs or construction plans shown for this item. There were no questions from the commission. There was no action taken by the Commission at this time.

Items not on the agenda

Mr. Ogburn mentioned the following items not on the agenda:

- McCrary Park purchase this fall.
- Peninsula Park off Lake Lucas Rd. in planning and construction phase
- Zoo animal themed crosswalks and utility box designs to be implemented this year.
- Steering committee meeting coming up for the David and Pauline Jarrell Center City Garden.
- Placemaking efforts underway for I-73/74 corridor with Zoo animal themed structures and sculptures at main on and off ramps as well as bridge art when entering and exiting the area near the Zoo.
- The American Rescue Plan has allocated 3.75 Million for infrastructure and water/sewer projects to the City.
- Federal Public Works act passed and hopeful to get several roads and bridges repaired with this funding.
- Mentioned an aviation grant that will assist with funding airport projects.
- This Thursday is budget hearing, as well as a zoning re-write hearing and a designation of two historic homes.
- City Hall is open to the public with the exception of water billing, which the city is still trying to find another location for water billing.
- Bankruptcy judge ordered the sale of Randolph Health to American Systems, Inc. and they will have direct control effective July 1, 2021.
- Hamilton's grand opening in new location June 16, 2021.
- Mike's Chicago Dog closed and in its place will be a meal prep business.
- Schwarz bank building for rent and Sticky Fingers Vinyl closed.
- Sidewalks to be washed downtown.
- Hearings for houses on Cox and Ridgecrest on June 15, 2021.
- July will have a meeting regarding improvements to Trade Street.
- City Hall renovation will likely be finished by Commissions next regular meeting in September.
- Patching holes in Walmart parking lot has occurred.
- City Council will appoint a new member of the redevelopment commission to fill the unexpired term of Ms. Cynthia Bailey at their next regular meeting.

Mayor Jarrell mentioned the need for Sunset Theatre to be lit back up, to which Mr. Ogburn stated he would check in with Cultural and Recreation regarding this matter. Ms. Warner inquired if there was any in town recycling centers, to which Mr. Ogburn stated that there was city recycling services door to door or at the transfer station located off of East Presnell Street. Ms. Carter mentioned a lot of trash on I-73/74. Mr. Jarrell mentioned several of the tags in the Mayor's grove aren't legible anymore, to which Mr. Ogburn stated that he would address the matter with Facilities Maintenance. The commission acknowledged and thanked Mr. Ogburn for his dedication, hard work, and leadership over the course of his employment.

Mr. Holt went over several items, including:

- Discussed local historic landmark designation applications and ordinance recommendations going to the City Council at their regular June 10, 2021 meeting for the Walter Anderson Bunch, Jr. House (1919) at 111 South Main Street and the Henry Moorings Robins House (1924) at 117 South Main Street. He mentioned the builder, TJ Lassiter, and how he had built several other homes in the area, noting the quality of work and architectural style.
- The Randolph County Public Library is now open and this week starts evening hours.
- He mentioned that the Randolph County Public Library is creating a Strategic Plan and that citizens and commission members are encouraged to take the survey at randolphlibrary.org/survey and to communicate it to others in the community.

Ms. Carter mentioned that the library is doing an excellent job with their programming.

Adjourn

Ms. Warner moved to adjourn. Mr. Holt seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. Ms. Carter adjourned the meeting at this time.

Brad Morton, Secretary
Asheboro Redevelopment Commission