# City of Ann Arbor

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# **Action Minutes**

Wednesday, January 13, 2010

4:30 PM

County Building, 220 N. Main St.

**Greenbelt Advisory Commission (GAC)** 

# CALL TO ORDER

Acting Chair Hall called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m. in the County Commissioner Board Room, 220 N. Main Street.

# ROLL CALL

- Present 5 Tom Bloomer, Dan Ezekiel, Jennifer Santi Hall, Gilbert S. Omenn, and Peter Allen
- Absent 4 Michael Garfield, Commissioner Laura Rubin, Carsten Hohnke, and Catherine Riseng

# SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

None.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTARY**

None.

# APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Commissioner Bloomer, seconded by Commissioner Ezekiel, that the agenda be approved as presented. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. 10-0030 Greenbelt Advisory Commission Minutes of November 4, 2009 and December 9, 2009

A motion was made by Commissioner Allen, seconded by Commissioner Omenn, that the minutes November 4 and December 9, 2009 be approved by the Commission and forwarded to the City Council for filing. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

# **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

# **NEW BUSINESS**

(Commissioner Reising arrived at 4;34 p.m. and Commissioner Garfield arrived at 4:37 p.m.)

- **Present** 7 Tom Bloomer, Dan Ezekiel, Michael Garfield, Jennifer Santi Hall, Gilbert S. Omenn, Peter Allen, and Catherine Riseng
- Absent 2 Commissioner Laura Rubin, and Carsten Hohnke

# 1. Staff Updates

Ginny Trocchio informed the Commission that the new round of FFRP Funds deadline is February 17, 2010. \$2.4 million is available.

Ms. Trocchio also informed the Commission that Jayne Miller, Community Services Area Administrator would be leaving the City as of Feb. 12, 2009 to pursue a career as an executive director of the Brighton-based Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority.

The Commission voted to create a resolution acknowledging Ms. Miller's contributions to the Greenbelt.

# NEXT AGENDA ITEMS

None presented.

# **REPORTS FROM STAFF**

None.

# **REPORT FROM COMMITTEES**

None.

### COMMUNICATIONS

None.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTARY**

None.

# **CLOSED SESSION**

(Commissioner Rubin arrived some time during the Closed Session.) (Commissioner Garfield left at 6:18 p.m.)

A motion was made by Commissioner Omenn, seconded by Commissioner Bloomer, that the Commission enter into Closed session to discuss Attorney/Client privileged communication and land acquisitions. On roll call, the vote was as follows, with the Chair declaring the motion carried (The meeting recessed at 4:38 p.m.):

Yeas: 7 - Commissioner Bloomer, Commissioner Ezekiel, Commissioner Garfield, Commissioner Santi Hall, Commissioner Omenn, Commissioner Allen, and Commissioner Riseng

**Nays:** 0

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Rubin, and Councilmember Hohnke

# **MEETING RECONVENED**

A motion was made by Commissioner Ezekiel, seconded by Commissioner

Reising, that the meeting reconvene. On a voice vote, the Chair Rubin declared the motion carried and the meeting reconvened at 6:27 p.m.

# 1. FRPP Funds for Application No. 2005-13

A motion was made by Commissioner Hall, seconded by Commissioner Bloomer, to propose a resolution to recommend to City Council to apply for FRPP funds for the property identified in Application No. 2005-13 in the 2010 application cycle, due to its prime farm land and proximity to other protected properties. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

# 2. FRPP Funds for Appllication No. 2006-10

A motion was made by Commissioner Hall, seconded by Commissioner Reising, to propose a resolution to recommend to City Council to apply for FRPP funds for the property identified in Application No. 2006-10 in the 2010 application cycle, due to its soils of local imports adjacent to other protected properties and the opportunity for local matching funds. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

# 3. Brawn and Gould Property

A motion was made by Commissioner Santi Hall, seconded by Commissioner Reising, to recommend to City Council to authorize an appraisal on the Braun and Gould properties pursuant to a recent communication from the Farm and Ranch Protection Program. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

#### 4. Application No. 2009-05

A motion was made by Commissioner Santi Hall, seconded by Commissioner Ezekiel, to propose a resolution to recommend to City Council to authorize an appraisal on the property identified in Application No. 2009-05 in Northfield Township. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

#### COMMUNICATION FROM COMMISSIONER RUBIN

Commissioner Rubin said Ken Schwartz emailed her and informed her that he would attend meeting scheduled with the Greenbelt Advisory Commission and Northfield Township next week.

#### ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Omenn, seconded by Commissioner Ezekiel, that the meeting be adjourned. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:31 p.m. Laura Rubin, Chairperson

Anissa R. Bowden Recording Secretary