

City of Ann Arbor

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Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 9, 2011

4:30 PM

City Center Building, 220 E. Huron St. - 7th Floor Conference Room

Greenbelt Advisory Commission (GAC)

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Hall called the meeting to order at 4:40 p.m. in the 7th floor conference room of the City Center building, 220 E. Huron.

ROLL CALL

Present 6 - Dan Ezekiel, Michael Garfield, Jennifer Santi Hall, Commissioner Laura Rubin, Carsten Hohnke, and Catherine Riseng

Absent 3 - Tom Bloomer, Gilbert S. Omenn, and Peter Allen

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY PUBLIC COMMENTARY (4 SPEAKERS MAXIMUM - 5 MINUTE SPEAKING TIME - SIGN UP MUST TAKE PLACE PRIOR TO THE MEETING BY NOTIFYING THE CHAIR OR CITY STAFF. THIS SECTION OF PUBLIC COMMENTARY IS LIMITED TO ITEMS RELATED TO THE AGENDA.)

None.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

11-0235

Greenbelt Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes of December 8, 2010 and January 12, 2011

A motion was made by Rubin, seconded by Commissioner Riseng, that the minutes of December 8, 2010 and January 12, 2011 be approved by the Commission and forwarded to the City Council. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

1. **Open Space and Parkland Preservation Millage Financials – Kelli Martin**

Ginny Trocchio of The Conservation Fund presented the updated financial statements for the Open Space and Parkland Preservation Millage through

December 31, 2010, from Kelli McKinnon Martin. A copy of the statement is on file in the City Clerk's office.

(Commissioner Omenn arrived at this time.)

Present 7 - Dan Ezekiel, Michael Garfield, Jennifer Santi Hall, Gilbert S. Omenn, Commissioner Laura Rubin, Carsten Hohnke, and Catherine Riseng

Absent 2 - Tom Bloomer, and Peter Allen

NEXT AGENDA ITEMS

None presented.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEES

There will be a subcommittee meeting to discuss the possible boundary adjustment on Thursday, February 10, 2011 at 4:30 PM in the 7th floor conference room of the City Center building.

COMMUNICATIONS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY - 5 MINUTE MAXIMUM SPEAKING TIME – NO LIMIT TO THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE SPEAKING IN THIS SECTION.

None.

CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by Commissioner Omenn, seconded by Commissioner Rubin, that the Commission enter into Closed Session to discuss land acquisition(s). On roll call, the vote was as follows, with the Chair declaring the motion carried:

Yeas: 7 - Commissioner Ezekiel, Commissioner Garfield, Commissioner Santi Hall, Commissioner Omenn, Commissioner Rubin, Councilmember Hohnke, and Commissioner Riseng

Nays: 0

Absent: 2 - Commissioner Bloomer, and Commissioner Allen

MEETING RECONVENED

A motion was made by Councilmember Hohnke, seconded by Commissioner Garfield, that the meeting reconvene. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried and the meeting reconvened at 6:15 p.m.

MOTION TO APPROVE APPLICATION #2010-07

A motion was made by Commissioner Omenn, seconded by Commissioner Garfield, to recommend to City Council to move forward with the purchase of

development rights on the property identified in application #2010-07, if grant funds from Farm and Ranchland Protection Program are awarded or at least 20% matching funds are secured from other funding sources or landowner donations, due to the property's proximity to a number of properties already protected and prime farmland soils, and to ask Lodi Township for a contribution.. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

MOTION TO APPROVE APPLICATION #2009-04

A motion was made by Commissioner Omenn, seconded by Councilmember Hohnke, to recommend to City Council to move forward with the purchase of development rights on the property identified in application #2009-04, if grant funds from Farm and Ranchland Protection Program are awarded or at least 20% matching funds are secured from other funding sources or landowner donations, due to its prime farmland soils and proximity to other protected property. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

MOTION TO APPROVE APPLICATION #2010-09

A motion was made by Commissioner Omenn, seconded by Rubin, to recommend to City Council to move forward with the purchase of development rights on the property identified in application #2010-09, if at least 50% matching funds are secured from other local funding sources and landowner donation.. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

MOTION TO APPROVE APPLICATION #2009-05

A motion was made by Commissioner Omenn, seconded by Commissioner Ezekiel, to recommend to City Council to move forward with the purchase of development rights on the property identified in application #2009-05, if at least 20% matching funds are secured from other local funding sources or landowner donation. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Garfield, seconded by Rubin, that the meeting be adjourned. On a voice vote, the Chair declared the motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Jennifer Santi Hall, Chairperson

Anissa R. Bowden
Recording Secretary