

# MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OVERSIGHT BOARD TO THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY CITY OF ROHNERT PARK

# Friday, June 22, 2012 Rohnert Park City Hall, Council Chambers 130 Avram Avenue, Rohnert Park, California

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Oversight Board to the Successor Agency City of Rohnert Park was called to order by Vice Chair Jake Mackenzie at 9:04 a.m. on June 22, 2012 in the Council Chambers, Rohnert Park City Hall, 130 Avram Avenue, Rohnert Park, California.

Present:

Jake Mackenzie, Vice Chair

Linda Babonis, Board Member Darrin Jenkins, Board Member Absent:

Shirlee Zane, Chair

Denise Calvert, Board Member Mike Thompson, Board Member

Kate Jolley, Board Member

Staff present: City Manager Gabriel Gonzalez; Management Analyst Eydie Tacata

Also present: Attorney at Law Betsy Strauss

#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments from the public.

#### 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

# A. Approving minutes of May 7, 2012 regular meeting of Oversight Board

Vice Chair Mackenzie announced the item.

**ACTION:** Moved/Seconded (Jenkins/Babonis) and carried (4-0 vote, 3 absent) to approve minutes of the regular meeting of the Oversight Board for Successor Agency City of Rohnert Park held on May 7, 2012

Chair Zane arrived and was present at the meeting at 9:06 AM

# B. Approving minutes of June 4, 2012 special meeting of Oversight Board

Chair Zane announced the item.

**ACTION:** Moved/Seconded (Mackenzie/Babonis) and carried (5-0 vote, 2 absent) to approve minutes of the special meeting of the Oversight Board for Successor Agency City of Rohnert Park held on June 4, 2012

#### 4. MEETING ITEMS

# A. Consideration of Bylaws

Chair Zane announced the item. City Manager Gonzalez gave a staff report.

**ACTION:** Moved/Seconded (Mackenzie/Babonis) and carried (5-0 vote, 2 absent) to adopt Resolution No. OSB 2012-07: A Resolution of the Oversight Board for the Successor Agency City of

# Successor Agency City of Rohnert Park

Rohnert Park Adopting Bylaws for the Oversight Board for the Successor Agency City of Rohnert Park and Naming Officers

### A. Consideration of Legal Services Agreement with Betsy Strauss

Chair Zane announced the item. City Manager Gonzalez introduced Betsy Strauss. Betsy Strauss described her current and relevant experience serving Oversight Boards of several other successor agencies.

Vice Chair Mackenzie FOR THE RECORD: "I have worked with Betsy Strauss in the past as a Council Member and Mayor of this City, as you all will have noticed from her resume. She served here for a number of years as our City Attorney, and it was with deep regret – from my point of view – that she departed from hence. She knows that – and we have discussed it – and so to have her potentially back working with us is a matter of great pleasure to me, Madam Chair. Not only is she competent; she is a woman of integrity, and I think she'll serve us well."

ACTION: Moved/Seconded (Mackenzie/Babonis) and carried (5-0 vote, 2 absent) to direct staff as recommended to staff to present draft Legal Services Agreement between City of Rohnert Park, in its capacity as Successor Agency for the Rohnert Park Community Redevelopment Agency and Betsy Strauss ("Agreement") to the City of Rohnert Park acting in its capacity as the Successor Agency for formal approval of the Agreement to retain Betsy Strauss as legal counsel for the Oversight Board.

## 5. NEW MATTERS

City Manager Gonzalez reported that staff was expecting to receive a letter of determination from the Department of Finance (DOF) regarding the submitted ROPS. Staff expects that, if the letter is received as expected in the next 2-3 weeks, an update will be provided to the Oversight Board at the next regular meeting. Staff is also waiting for notification from the County Auditor/Controller regarding the certification of submitted ROPS.

#### 6. CITY MANAGER'S REPORTY

# A. Housing Consultant

City Manager Gonzalez reported that the decision to retain a consultant to work on the housing asset component of the former Redevelopment Agency is on hold, pending the outcome of the State budget trailer bill (AB 1484) regarding housing set-aside monies.

#### B. Proposed Financial Reports Format

City Manager Gonzalez reported that staff has been working on this request by the Oversight Board.

# C. Department of Finance Comments regarding ROPS

City Manager Gonzalez reported that as mentioned under "New Matters," staff expects to receive DOF comments in the next few weeks.

## 7. PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There were no comments from the public.

#### 8. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Zane called for adjournment, and the Oversight Board concurred to adjourn the meeting at 9:28 AM until the next regular meeting scheduled for July 27, 2012 at 9:00 AM.

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Respectfully submitted,

Eydie Tacata, Clerk of the Board

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