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STANTON CITY COMMISSION & DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Special Work Session Meeting Minutes August 1, 2018, 5:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Basom

Tree Committee members present: Jane Basom, Commissioner; Charles Miel, Commissioner, Brandon Stowell, DDA Board Member; Diane Lowell, DDA Board

Also present: City Manager Bill Cousins

Members absent: Brandon Stowell, DDA Chair

2. Agenda Approval

No changes were made to the agenda

3. Public Comments and/or Questions

There was no public comment

4. Downtown Tree Discussion

- a. Commissioner Basom made a power-point presentation of the trees in the downtown and suggested trees, tree locations and phases for the tree replacement project (presentation attached). The three trees proposed for planting are the trees that Prein & Newhof described last September in a presentation to the City Commission: The 'Skyline' Honey Locust, the 'Princeton Sentry' Gingko and the Jeffersred' Autumn Blaze Maple.
- b. The Committee discussed the importance of the trees providing a balanced mix of species and shade in the downtown without blocking the front of stores.

- c. The possibility of moving some of the Japanese Lilacs would cut down on the cost of the project.
- d. It was noted that in 2014, Bartlett Tree Company made a proposal to the City to rework the DDA trees. As that was a detailed proposal made by an urban tree specialist, it was determined that Bartlett should be contacted to renew their plan and see how it compares to what was proposed last September.
- e. The Committee also suggested that the irrigation system be checked to be sure it was functioning correctly when the new plan is initiated.
- f. Manager Cousins will contact Bartlett and meet with them before the next committee meeting.
- g. Next meeting The Committee set the next meeting for August 16th at 5:00 p.m.
- 5. **Public Comment** There was no public comments.
- 6. **Adjourn -** Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Submitted by William Cousins City Manager