

A meeting of the Beaufort Redevelopment Commission was held on June 5, 2008 at 4:00 p.m. in the City Hall Conference Room, 302 Carteret Street. In attendance were Commissioners Gary Fordham, Bob Pinkerton, Eugene A. Rugala, Donnie Ann Beer, Bill Rauch, Martin Goodman, and City Manager Scott Dadson. Commissioners George H. O'Kelley, Mike Sutton, and James Bellew were absent. In accordance with South Carolina Code of Laws, 1976, Section 30-4-80(d), as amended, all local media were duly notified of the time, date, place and agenda of this meeting.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by Chairman Bob Pinkerton.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

On motion by Commissioner Beer, seconded by Commissioner Fordham, the Commission moved into executive session to discuss negotiations incident to proposed contractual matters.

### **REVIEW OF THE MINUTES**

Commissioner Beer moved to approve the minutes of the May 1, 2008 Redevelopment Commission meeting as presented. Commissioner Rugala seconded the motion. Commissioners Beer, Rauch, Pinkerton, Fordham, and Rugala voted to approve the minutes as presented. Commissioner Goodman abstained because he did not attend that meeting.

### **BEAUFORT FIRE STATION PLANS**

Fire Chief Wendell Wilburn presented his goals for the renovation/addition to the City's fire station headquarters on Ribaut Road explaining the building is twenty-five years old and in need of upgrading. Additionally, there needs to be accommodations for the female firefighters.

Dinos Liollo of Liollo Architecture in Charleston along with Brad Brown, the project architect, displayed the plans and discussed in detail the steps they took in developing this design. Mr. Liollo pointed out that by working with the Fire Chief and his staff they were able to utilize the existing administrative layout and therefore minimizing a lot of the construction costs. Mr. Brown said they considered several options and realized the existing plan could be used so the addition would be for the new training facility. In order to build a second story, structural modifications would have to be made because it was not originally constructed to support the weight of a second story. The Mayor noted that there were few parking spaces and asked if there had been any discussions with the County to utilize their lot. The Fire Chief replied that the City Manager is negotiating that with the County Administrator. Chief Wilburn said his concern relates to the turning radius with the new addition. Therefore, he is proposing the parking area in the back of the building near the fuel pumps be acquired. This would also provide parking.

The roof design was also discussed. The Chief said it is a slight roll instead of being flat. Mr. Liollo explained the Chief did ask them to consider pitching the roof; however, because of the impact of price it was not included. Councilman Fordham asked if there was another option because he does not think a flat roof is a good choice. Mr. Liollo stated they are actually looking at height, scale, and mass issues and they are asking for approval of these plans in order to go to the Review Board.

On motion by Commissioner Rauch, second by Commissioner Goodman, the Commission approved submitting the Beaufort Fire Station conceptual plans to the City's Design Review Board.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

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BEVERLY W. GAY, CITY CLERK