COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
7.31.19 @ 5:30PM ADJOURNED 7:15PM

COMMITTEE PRESENT; LISA RYAN, MATT REVEAL, MATT WHITCOMB, BILL GILLAM, CHAIRED BY MELINDA HUMPHREY
OTHERS; MAYOR ALLAIRE, SHARON DAVIS, CHRIS ETTORI, ELIZABETH KULAS, MELISSA DISORDA, JENNIFER SCOTT, DENNIS MOYNIHAN, GORDON DRITSCHILO, SEE ATTACHED ATTENDANCE SHEET

1. HOUSING TRUST OF RUTLAND COUNTY, IHM SCHOOL BUILDING & TUTTLE BLOCK PROJECT
- HTRC SUMMARIZED RENOVATIONS AS DESCRIBED IN ATTACHED LETTER & PROJECT BUDGET.
RENOVATIONS AT IHM SCHOOL WOULD CREATE 19 NEW UNITS OF PERMANENT SUPPORTIVE HOUSING - LONG TERM AFFORDABLE HOUSING W/ SERVICES ON SITE.
RENOVATIONS AT TUTTLE BLOCK WOULD ADD THREE 1 BR APTS THERE, & THE HTRC OFFICES WILL MOVE ELSEWHERE IN RUTLAND.

DISCUSSION RECOGNIZED THE NEED OF THE UNITS, APPRECIATED THE USE OF IHM BUILDINGS & ACKNOWLEDGED HTRC ONGOING WORK & SUCCESS IN OUR COMMUNITY.

ALDERMAN WHITCOMB MOVED TO RECOMMEND TO THE FULL BOARD THAT THE CITY APPLY TO THE VERMONT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM FOR UP TO $750,000 FOR THE PROPOSED HTRC PROJECT, AS WELL AS SCHEDULE THE REQUIRED PUBLIC HEARING & AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR TO SIGN.

PASSED 5.0

2. COLLEGE OF ST JOSEPH ZAMIAS APPLICATION
- CSJ, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH VERMONT WORKS, INC & VERMONT INNOVATION COMMONS REQUESTED $50,000 FROM ZAMIAS FUND TOWARDS A 120 DAY FEASIBILITY STUDY LOOKING AT CSJ'S FUTURE AS AN EDUCATION, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & INNOVATION CENTER. THE ~~PROJECT~~ STUDY HAS A TOTAL BUDGET OF $227,300, WITH VERMONT WORKS, INC COVERING 50%. CURRENTLY, $50K FROM NORTHERN BORDERS REG COMM, $10K FROM REDC, $5K RRA, $5K FROM INDIVIDUALS HAS BEEN PLEDGED, = $70K.

DR JENNIFER SCOTT OF CSJ & DENNIS MOYNAHAN OF VT INNOVATION COMMONS PRESENTED THE APPLICATION TO THE COMMITTEE & NOTED A PUBLIC FORUM ON THE PROJECT IS OCCURRING WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7, 5:30 PM AT THE CSJ LIBRARY. THE STUDY IS ALREADY UNDERWAY.

DISCUSSION OF THE COMMITTEE INCLUDED SUPPORT FOR THE PROJECT WHILE ALL BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT AGREEING THAT THE ASK OF $50K WAS TOO MUCH OF THE REMAINING UNCOMMITED ZAMIAS BALANCE OF $100K.

ALDERMAN ETTORI STATED IT IS TOO EARLY TO DEVOTE THE FULL $50K ASK, BUT IT IS IMPORTANT THE CITY INVEST SOMETHING TO IT & SHOW WE ARE WILLING TO TAKE A RISK ON THIS FOR FUTURE SUCCESS AT THE CAMPUS.
ALDERMAN WHITCOMB, ~~WITH~~ SUGGESTED SOMETHING LESS THAN THE FULL ASK & EARMARKED FOR LINE ITEMS NOT INCLUDED SALARY.
THERE WAS GENERAL CONCERN OF OUTSTANDING CST DEBTS, PRESIDENT SCOTT ACKNOWLEDGED THIS AS AN OBLIGATION THEY ~~CAN~~ RECOGNIZE & CONTINUE TO WORK ON.
SCOTT & MOYNIHAN ALSO OUTLINED LOCAL EMPLOYER COMMITMENT TO FUTURE USE OF THEIR FACILITIES INCLUDING RRMC, OMYA & OTHERS.

ALDERMAN REVEAL MOVED TO APPROVE $10K OF ZAMIAS FUNDS TOWARDS APPLIED FOR PROJECT, EARMARKED NOT TO BE SPENT ON PROJECT TEAM SALARIES. PASSED 3·2

SUBMITTED 8·5·19 Melik Hopkins

CED 7·31 5:30

Candace Neary HT Rutland County
Norm Lash Board Chair of Housing Trust
Bill Gross HTRC
Sherman Hunter HTRC
Lynne Klamm HTRC
Chris Ettori BoA
Adam Sancil AHS
Jennifer Scott CSJ
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Marc Miele HTRC
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