

Richter Park Authority Special Meeting
Richter Park Authority Office
Wednesday, May 11, 2022 @ 6:00pm

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Agenda: Grounds and Greens report/action on Musicals/Stage process

Review sign design as submitted by FORe

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Pete Siecienski at 6:02.

In attendance: Siecienski, Radachowsky, Priola, Mead, Eberhard, Griemsmann, DiNardo

Al Mead gave a review of the Grounds and Greens committee meeting on the Musicals Stage and proposed construction by Jim Blansfield construction. Mr. Mead stated that the design and actions by Musicals were acceptable to the committee and proposed approving the construction project.

Discussion followed with Bobby Bria as to funding and construction assurances.

RPA was provided a Hold Harmless document and certificate of insurance from Blansfield Builders signed by Jim Blansfield.

Mr. DiNardo commented on how Jim Blansfield has great enthusiasm for the project.

Mr. Eberhard noted that no funding will be expended by the RPA for the current project. He also noted legal challenges to a Municipality are in doubt.

Mr. Radachowsky expressed concern about the lack of contract and price.

Mr. Bria confirmed there will be a contract with Musicals including price and a hold harmless agreement.

Mr. Siecienski noted a conversation with City Assistant Corporation Counsel who stated in the remote chance of legal challenges the RPA should ensure Musicals sets up a separate account for the project to assure funding is deposited and expended for the project. The account should be available for evaluation by the RPA.

Motion made by Mr. Priola seconded by Mr. Mead that the RPA approve the project contingent on a contract including cost be drawn up between Musicals and Blansfield Builders and that Musicals establish and maintain a financial account for donations and expenditures.

Discussion on motion: Mr. Siecienski noted that no RPA funds were to be expended to this project but noted this did not preclude the Authority from making future donations.

Motion carried unanimously.

Item 2 Sign design

Discussion on the draft sign design submitted by FOrE.

Mr. Sicienski noted that while the general design of the sign is nice it had left out the Arts Association. He felt the sign should provide symmetry with Musical and Arts on both sides of the Richter center piece. Café on the Green should be centered just below the Richter centerpiece and a "Welcome" greeting be incorporated.

Mr. Dinardo offered to take the draft back to the design company as he works regularly with them.

Motion to adjourn by Mr. Mead seconded by Mr. Priola.

Meeting adjourned 7:00 p.m.