

**JUSTICE CENTER DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES  
September 7, 2018, Room 903, Civic Center**

JCDC Board members in attendance: Mary Ann Borgeson, John Christensen, Ben Gray, and David Levy.

JCDC Board Administration in attendance: Joe Lorenz (Treasurer), Diane Carlson (Secretary), Joel Pedersen (Counsel for the JCDC).

JCDC Guests: Bruce Carpenter, Don Mohlman and George Achola.

At the beginning of the meeting, Chair Borgeson stated she would move public comments to after the Project Status and Design Status reports.

**PROJECT STATUS**

Don Mohlman, Burlington Capital, gave an update on the project status.

The Soils testing and Survey work on-site has been completed. The Design Schedule for the Project (Justice Center, Youth Center and Skywalk) is on schedule. The Schematic Design is moving along and will evolve into the schematic floor plan. From there, we move into Design Development which is a more complete design that starts to identify the logistics and specifics of the project. The Design Development is anticipated to be completed in February of 2019. The next phase, Contract Documents, is expected to be completed in June of 2019.

Mr. Mohlman reported Burlington Capital is working with the Public Building Commission on the competitive bidding process for subcontractors and suppliers. Kiewit will provide construction management services.

**DESIGN STATUS**

Bruce Carpenter, HDR, stated his firm has been meeting with the various users of the proposed facility (courts, attorneys, probation and youth center) to develop the space analysis. He stated HDR has assembled a team of architects that have individual expertise in youth center design, youth services and courthouse design and planning.

In developing the design of the facility, the team has considered juvenile justice facilities in other similarly situated communities. Mr. Carpenter reported that those jurisdictions that have co-located their juvenile justice services (courts, attorneys, youth center and youth programs/services) have seen dramatic results in length of stay. He cited Hennepin County (Minneapolis) Ramsey County (St. Paul) and Baltimore as good examples of communities that have urban juvenile justice centers.

There was discussion about ensuring that minority and female contractors have a fair opportunity to bid and obtain work for the project. Ben Gray stated a diversity program is a significant priority for him and suggested that an individual with knowledge about the contractors in our community be embedded in the process from the beginning to assist with this priority.

There was discussion about the alternative plan that was recently presented at a County Board meeting. The alternative plan includes a new juvenile courthouse, but maintains the Youth Center facility at the 42<sup>nd</sup> Street campus; renovates existing space in the Civic Center for the attorney offices; and relocates other county offices to the AIM building. Mr. Carpenter pointed out that the alternative plan, as proposed, does not meet the goal of co-locating youth services at one site which he feels is essential in designing a transformative approach to the entire juvenile justice system. Mr. Carpenter expressed his view that the \$50,000,000 cost estimate of the alternative plan is not realistic when you consider the relocation of offices and renovations that would be needed.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

The following members of the public spoke: LaVon Stennis-Williams, Jeff Stevens, Carol Zacek , Bob Perrin, Larry Storer, Juliet Summers, Josh Henningsen, Kathy Bigsby-Moore and Eliga Ali.

### **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES 08/03/18**

Motion by Gray to approve the 08/03/18 Meeting Minutes, second by Levy. Motion carried 4-0.

### **ACTION ITEMS**

- a. Public Information Commitment policy.
- b. Bylaw Amendments.

Motion by Gray to approve Action Items A and B., second by Levy. Motion carried 4-0.

### **ADJOURN**

Motion to adjourn by Gray, second by Levy. All those present voted in favor.