

CITY OF DERBY

BLIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING

THURSDAY, MARCH 22, 2018 – 6:00 P.M.

JOAN WILLIAMSON ALDERMANIC CHAMBERS

MINUTES

Joseph DiMartino called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. All rose and pledged allegiance to the flag.

Roll Call

Present: Joseph DiMartino, Bev Moran, Jim DiMartino

Absent: Thomas Donofrio (Excused)

Also Present: Alderman Charles Sampson
Alderman Ron Sill
Alderwoman Evelyn Browning
Andrew Baklik, Chief of Staff
Marc J. Garofalo, Town & City Clerk
Vincent Marino, Corporation Counsel
Carlo Sarmiento, Building Official

ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, CORRECTION TO THE AGENDA

None

PUBLIC PORTION

Mr. Joseph DiMartino asked three times if anyone wished to speak during public portion. There were no requests to speak and public portion was closed.

ELECT CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE

A MOTION was made by Mr. James DiMartino with a second by Ms. Moran to nominate Joseph DiMartino as Chair of the Blight Committee. As no other names were presented Mr. Joseph DiMartino was elected Chair of the Blight Committee. **Motion carried.**

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 14, 2017 MEETING

A MOTION was made by Mr. Joseph DiMartino with a second by Ms. Moran to place the Minutes of the November 14, 2017 meeting on file with the Town & City Clerk's Office. **Motion carried.**

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 25, 2018 MEETING

A MOTION was made by Mr. Joseph DiMartino with a second by Ms. Moran to place the Minutes of the January 25, 2018 meeting on file with the Town & City Clerk's Office. **Motion carried.**

MOVE TO RECOMMEND TO THE FULL BOARD OF ALDERMEN/ALDERWOMEN TO REMOVE 136 NEW HAVEN AVENUE FROM THE BLIGHT LIST.

Mr. Garofalo said the information regarding this property is in everyone's packet. He told the committee that the Blight Officers stated that the property has been remediated.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Joseph DiMartino with a second by Mr. James DiMartino to recommend to the full Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen that 136 New Haven Avenue be removed from the Blight List. **Motion carried.**

MOVE TO RECOMMEND TO THE FULL BOARD OF ALDERMEN/ALDERWOMEN TO REMOVE 17-23 CRESCENT STREET FROM THE BLIGHT LIST.

Mr. Garofalo said the information regarding this property is in everyone's packet. He told the committee that the Blight Officers stated that the property has been remediated.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Joseph DiMartino with a second by Mr. James DiMartino to recommend to the full Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen that 17-23 Crescent Street be removed from the Blight List. **Motion carried.**

MOVE TO RECOMMEND TO THE FULL BOARD OF ALDERMEN/ALDERWOMEN TO REMOVE 129 PARK AVENUE FROM THE BLIGHT LIST.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Joseph DiMartino with a second by Mr. James DiMartino to recommend to the full Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen that 129 Park Avenue be removed from the Blight List. **Motion carried.**

MOVE TO RECOMMEND TO THE FULL BOARD OF ALDERMEN/ALDERWOMEN TO REMOVE 13 EMMETT AVENUE FROM THE BLIGHT LIST.

Mr. Garofalo said this agenda item (#11) and the next agenda item (#12) pertaining to the same property. In the packet this evening is a memo from Building Official Carlo Sarmiento explaining the situation at this property. This property has been on the blight list for a long period of time and the property is still totally blighted.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Joseph DiMartino with a second by Ms. Moran to recommend to the full Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen that 13 Emmett Avenue be removed from the Blight List. **Motion carried.**

MOVE TO RECOMMEND TO THE FULL BOARD OF ALDERMEN/ALDERWOMEN TO ADD 13 EMMETT AVENUE TO THE BLIGHT LIST

A MOTION was made by Ms. Moran with a second by Mr. Joseph DiMartino to recommend to the full Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen that 13 Emmett Avenue be added to the Blight List. **Motion carried.**

73 PARK AVENUE – DISCUSSION REGARDING RECOMMENDATION TO THE FULL BOARD OF ALDERMEN/ALDERWOMEN REGARDING POSSIBLE MODIFICATION TO THE BLIGHT LIEN.

Mr. Garofalo informed the committee members that the owner(s) of this property are seeking a reduction of the blight lien.

The meeting went into a brief recess at this point in order to have Mr. Sarmiento, who was in attendance at another meeting, update the committee members on this property.

Meeting resumed. Mr. Sarmiento said he does not have the figures with him this evening but will have the information for discussion/action at the full Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen meeting. He said this property has been on the blight list for quite some time.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Joseph DiMartino with a second by Mr. James DiMartino to send 73 Park Avenue to the full Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen for discussion/possible reduction of the Blight Lien contingent on the information provided by Carlo Sarmiento. **Motion carried.**

188 Seymour Avenue – Discussion regarding recommendation to the full Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen regarding possible modification of the Blight Lien

Mr. Sarmiento explained that this property was going to be sold but it didn't go through. The new owner will need to start over. Mr. Garofalo said the reduction would be \$5,000.00. Mr. Sarmiento noted that there might be some issues on the recording of the liens.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Joseph DiMartino with a second by Ms. Moran to send 188 Seymour Avenue to the full Board of Aldermen/Alderwomen for discussion/possible reduction (\$5,000.00) of the Blight Lien. **Motion carried.**

ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION was made by Mr. Joseph DiMartino with a second by Ms. Moran to adjourn the meeting at 6:12 p.m. **Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,


Patty Finn
Recording Secretary

THESE MINUTES ARE SUBJECT TO APPROVAL BY THE BLIGHT COMMITTEE AT THEIR NEXT MEETING.