

**DOWNTOWN RIVER-HIGH STREET DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE  
REGULAR MEETING  
JULY 19, 2017**

I. Call to Order

The Downtown River-High Street Development Commission held its Regular Meeting on Friday, July 19, 2017 at the Parsons Government Center, 70 West River Street, Conference Room B, Milford, CT. Chairman Smith called the meeting to order at 8:35 a.m.

Committee Members Present

Peter Smith, Chairman  
Mr. John Knuff, Vice-Chairman  
Joseph M. Agro, Jr.  
Ald. Raymond Vitali

Also Present

Julie Nash, Community Development  
Kathleen Kennedy, Law  
David Fernandez, Downtown Merchant  
David Sulkis, AICP, City Planner  
Joseph Griffith, DPLU Director  
Jeffrey Fitzgerald  
Phil Myrick

Excused/Absent: Bryan Anderson, Henry Jadach, Richard F. Jagoe, Jr., Amanda Root,

- II. Approval of the Minutes  
a. May 2, 2017  
b. June 9, 2017

The approval of the minutes of May 2, 2017 and June 9, 2017 were tabled until the August meeting.

III. Chairman's Report/Introductory Comments

Chairman Smith stated he had no formal report. He deferred to the slide presentation from Community Workshop #1 held June 14, 2017. He stated he was looking to the Committee for feedback, comments, etc.

- IV. Public Comment – None.

V. Standing Items

- a. Workshop #1 discussion with consultants.

Mr. Fitzgerald introduced Mr. Myrick and deferred to him for further explanation of the presentation.

Mr. Myrick provided the Committee with an overview of the workshop held on June 14, 2017 where they began introducing the project to the residents and then opened up discussion with the residents. He continued with PowerPoint presentation.

Chairman Smith asked what the format would be for the second workshop.

Mr. Fitzgerald stated they would explain the feedback they received from the first workshop and go over the exercises.

Ms. Nash stated she surveyed the crowd that attended the workshop as to how they heard about the workshop and most stated they heard about it through Facebook.

b. Public workshop #2, August 2, 2017 – 6:30 p.m. at City Hall

Ms. Nash reported they were sending out notices for the second workshop, as well as Facebook.

#### VI. Next Steps

Discussion as to the finished project and that it is something for the next 100 years. Chairman Smith reiterated a comment earlier from Mr. Fernandez that the end result invigorates the area.

Being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 10:23 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen A. Kennedy  
Acting Recording Secretary