

**AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**  
**URBAN RENEWAL AUTHORITY**

**ITEM NUMBER: 3**

**DATE: April 4, 2006**

**STAFF: Wanda Krajicek**

**SUBJECT**

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Consideration and Approval of the Minutes of the February 21, 2006 Meeting.

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**URBAN RENEWAL AUTHORITY**

**Regular Meeting**

A regular meeting of the Urban Renewal Authority was held on Tuesday, February 21, 2006 at 7:52 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the City of Fort Collins City Hall. Roll Call was answered by the following Authority members: Brown, Hutchinson, Kastein, Manvel, Ohlson, Roy and Weitkunat.

Staff Members Present: Atteberry, Krajicek, Roy.

**Minutes Approved**

Authority member Manvel made a motion, seconded by Authority member Kastein, to approve the minutes for the January 24, 2006 meeting. Yeas: Authority members Brown, Hutchinson, Kastein, Manvel, Ohlson, Roy, and Weitkunat. Nays: None.

THE MOTION CARRIED

**Resolution No. 003,  
Appointing an Ad Hoc Committee to Make Recommendations  
to the URA Board of Commissioners Regarding Implementation  
of the North College Avenue Urban Renewal Plan, Adopted**

The following is staff's memorandum on this item.

***“EXECUTIVE SUMMARY***

*In 1982, the City Council created the Fort Collins Urban Renewal Authority (URA) and appointed its own members to serve as the Board of Commissioners of the Authority. There are a number of issues that have arisen during the start-up phase of the Authority and with the North College Urban Renewal Plan in particular, that needs Board attention and direction. In the past, the Council has used ad hoc committees composed of members of Council as one means to provide early guidance to staff and to “screen” issues that may eventually come before the full Council. Staff believes that this approach has merit for the URA as well, and will save time and resources, for the Board, City staff, and the public. The resolution establishes the Committee, appoints Councilmembers, and describes the duties and functions of the committee.*

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## **BACKGROUND**

*In 1982, the City Council created the Fort Collins Urban Renewal Authority (URA) and appointed its own members to serve as the Board of Commissioners of the Authority. The boundaries of the URA are coterminous with the boundaries of the City of Fort Collins. The URA lay dormant until December 21, 2004, when the Council adopted an Urban Renewal Plan for the North College area. A citizen advisory group (CAG) was also formed in 2004 to provide advice to the Board regarding significant URA matters in the North College area.*

*There are a number of issues that have arisen during the start-up phase of the Urban Renewal Authority and North College Urban Renewal Plan that will require decision and direction from the Board of Commissioners regarding the most effective ways in which the Authority can collaborate with the City, the private sector and other public entities to fully effectuate the purposes of the Authority and implement the North College Urban Renewal Plan. Specific topics that the committee will be asked to address include:*

- the terms and conditions of an intergovernmental between the City and the URA*
- funding alternatives*
- policies and procedures for reviewing applications for tax increment financing*
- the kinds of projects that will best advance the interests of the Authority and the goals and objections of the Plan.*

*In the past, the Council has used ad hoc committees as one means to provide early guidance to staff and to make recommendations to Council regarding issues that may eventually come before the full Council. Staff believes that the committee approach has merit for the URA as well, and will save time and resources, for the Board, City staff, and the public.*

*The number of needed meetings is unknown. Staff expects that the Committee would start meeting as soon as practical, and conduct its business within ninety days thereafter.*

*The Committee's responsibilities would be to work with Authority staff and Citizen Advisory Committee on the above described matters that could eventually come before the Board. The Committee would seek also seek guidance, as needed, from members of the public, affected public agencies, etc."*

City Manager Atteberry encouraged adoption of the Resolution.

Authority member Weitkumat asked about expectations relating to the ad hoc Committee i.e., fast turnaround and commitment needed. City Manager Atteberry stated the ad hoc Committee would sunset after 90 days and the intent was to have three Councilmembers appointed to work with the staff and a citizen advisory group. He stated this could involve several long meetings rather than a

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series of short meetings in that ninety-day period.

Authority member Manvel made a motion, seconded by Authority member Kastein, to adopt Resolution 003, inserting the names Karen Weitkunat, David Roy and Ben Manvel.

Authority member Manvel stated the three Authority members were connected with the northern part of the City and their appointment would be appropriate.

Authority member Roy stated he would welcome an opportunity to serve on the ad hoc committee.

Mayor Hutchinson stated this was important to North College Avenue and Fort Collins.

The vote on the motion was as follows: Yeas: Authority members Brown, Hutchinson, Kastein, Manvel, Roy, Ohlson, and Weitkunat. Nays: None.

THE MOTION CARRIED

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

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Mayor, Ex Officio President

ATTEST:

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City Clerk, Ex Officio Secretary