



Commissioners Present: Droggitis, Durkin, Dubois, Edwards, Eon, Foley, Kelliher, Nielson, Shlaver

Commissioners Absent: Foley

City Representative: Favreau

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I • Motion to Accept Minutes for May: Nielson moved; Eon second; unanimous approval

II • Chairperson's Remarks (Durkin)

• Budget Discussion

FY17 Budget balance roughly \$4100 (spend down by June 30, 2017)

Spending Ideas:

- Clean team June approx \$1000.
- Bike Racks: Parks and Rec has them, Favreau will enquire as to status
- Gateway Signs: could make an impact but would have to be large, could be putting "cart in front of horse" when other improvements are not complete
- Sign off Exit 32 directing to downtown: would be very useful and replace and old (now non-existent) sign
- Riverwalk tables: to go at the RiverWalk OverLook Plaza, roughly \$1,000 each, we could pay for two well within budget

Durkin will pursue exact quotes for picnic tables and directional sign, will report via email, unanimous agreement for these two items to complete FY17 budget

VI • Reports and Other Business

City Staff Report, Favreau –

- Planters/Hangers: mixed results, plants are delayed in growth due to weather, hangers are a bit low and also not as nice materials possible, some resistance from local businesses. Meant to function as a pilot project and could be improved with more input from local businesses and an evaluation plan
- Laconia Plaza Grand Opening was successful, tables will really add to the finished feel of the area
- WIFI: all positive feedback, and appears to be moving forward. Cables still exist from old (failed) projects for pay-to-access WIFI, so could reduce cost even further. Will continue to follow up with city staff.

Future status of DDC Discussion

- As of today and group knowledge, Downtown Improvement District (DID) is approved, and DDC has no budget for FY18
- DDC used to function without budget and could again with refocus on policy
- Favreau and Durkin will look into need to amend charter and/or city council's role in eliminating/continuing DDC
- Eon and Edwards presented DDC role as potential project evaluator (e.g. Planters/Beautification), including running small surveys, holding focus groups, and presenting results to city council
- Shlaver recommended a need to shift to a more active DDC model that potentially presents a letter of recommendations to city council each week, and could require subcommittees and extra hours to remain viable
- All members are willing to pursue some future of DDC involvement but will wait to hear from mayor, city council, and city manager on their thoughts going forward

VII • Meeting Adjourned (7:40p)

[Moved: Shlaver, Second: Durkin, Vote: Unanimous]