

Brownfield Review Committee Minutes

December 5, 2016

Subject: LSRRF Policy recommendation from BRC to City Council

BRC members present: Kirk Westphal, Chuck Warpehoski, Chip Smith, and Jack Eaton
BRC members absent: none

Others in attendance:

Brett Lenart, Planning Manager, City of Ann Arbor

Nathan Voght, Washtenaw County WCBRA staff

Matthew Naud, Environmental Coordinator, City of Ann Arbor and WCBRA representative

Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m.

Mr. Lenart briefed the BRC on work to date on the ***Resolution to Guide the Washtenaw County Brownfield Redevelopment Authority on the Use of Local Site Revolving Remediation Funding to Support Affordable Housing within the City of Ann Arbor.***

The BRC members discussed the merits of the proposal to limit the use of LSRRF to only support Residential Brownfield projects that include an affordable housing component. Projects without a residential component would still be eligible. The policy would restrict residential Brownfield projects without an affordable component from receiving LSRRF funds. There would be no change in their consideration for eligible activities funded by TIF in a Brownfield plan.

Councilmember Eaton proposed that LSRRF funds only be used for eligible cleanup activities and not be used to support non-environmental eligible expenses.

Mr. Naud suggested the following language for addition to the resolution.

To the extent applicable, LSRRF funds for Ann Arbor projects should be used primarily to fund eligible cleanup activities.

Councilmember Smith moved to table the action on this until the January 17, 2017 BRC meeting scheduled for 6 p.m. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Eaton.

Motion was approved unanimously upon a voice vote.

Councilmember Eaton made a point that agendas should be placed on Legistar for future BRC meetings.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.