

## **BUILDING AUTHORITY**

#### **CITY OF NOVI**

# Building Authority Meeting Thursday, September 3, 2009 8 A.M. Council Chambers | Novi Civic Center | 45175 W. Ten Mile Road

Meeting was called to order at 8:15 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Larry Czekaj, Julie Farkas, Rob Hayes, Clay Pearson (arrived

at 8:23 a.m.), Kathy Smith-Roy

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Charles Boulard, Mark Sturing

OTHERS PRESENT: Melissa Place

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Smith-Roy, seconded by Hayes; CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To approve the agenda as presented. (Pearson absent)

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion by Smith-Roy, seconded by Farkas; CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To approve the August 20, 2009 minutes as presented. (Pearson absent)

### **PURPOSE OF THE MEETING**

### 1. Construction Update

Mr. Carl Adams commented the construction is moving forward. The roadway cut along the high school will be done next Tuesday. The bore for the electrical interface will be done next week as well. The building will no longer be dependent on the existing Library for electricity. The connection should be complete by the end of the month. Drywall is in the process of being installed. The boilers will be arriving shortly and the building closure will be complete. The stairway and electrical pads, and foyer areas will be poured in the coming weeks.

## 2. Review of Sample Boards

Mr. Czekaj commented at the beginning of the project there was the need to reduce the cost of materials. He is not sure if the materials and color choices were done out of necessity and cost effectiveness or if they were something that the design team thought would work well. Mr. Blair has worked hard on assembling samples of materials and colors for the Members to review. Can the sample boards be left so that Members can review and formulate any comments/questions and forward those to Ms. Farkas so that BEI can have answers prior to the next meeting. Mr. Carl Adams said a decision on the ceiling panels needs to be made. Ms. Farkas clarified the wood grill panel has been

chosen but not the color of stain. Mr. Paul Danko said he will release without an order unless the cost is over budgeted amount. It will take about four months for delivery. The Members commented the next meeting will be on September 17 at the Library to discuss the display boards, the RFID and sorting system, epoxy for other cement floors, countertop material, and the connection between the Library and Fuerst Park.

Mr. Blair said there are three colors of stain for the ceiling panels that would work well in the building. There is a need to keep the stain lighter to avoid the cave-like atmosphere. He commented the design team had picked a 2 x 8 acoustical tile which lengthens the room, but is harder to handle. The material is 75% recycled. The premium price on this size is high. A 2 x 2 or a 2 x 4 tile is still cheaper even though there is additional metal framing. His suggestion is to go with a 2 x 2 tile. Ms. Farkas said one tile size throughout Library? Mr. Blair is suggesting a 2 x 2 tile.

Motion by Smith- Roy, seconded by Farkas; CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To change the ceiling tiles from 2 x 8 to 2 x 2 throughout the Library.

#### Discussion

Mr. Blair recommends all the areas. Mr. Czekaj asked if the design is not taking away from the look of the building. Mr. Blair said the diffusers are 2 x 2 so it will give a consistent look. Ms. Smith-Roy asked Mr. Danko to provide a separate Change Order since the ceiling tiles had previously been approved.

#### **AUDIENCE COMMENTS - None**

Motion by Farkas, seconded by Smith-Roy; CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To adjourn the meeting at 8:37 a.m.

Minutes approved September 17, 2009