

City of Auburndale Community Redevelopment Agency Minutes May 19, 2025

Minutes of the Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Auburndale held on May 19, 2025, at 8:37 p.m. in the Commission Room of City Hall, after having been properly advertised, with the following members present: Vice Chair Tim Pospichal, Dr. Dorothea Taylor Bogert, Alex Cam, Keith Cowie, Jordan Helms, and Bill Sterling. Chair Ellie Harper was absent. Also present: Assistant City Manager Amy Palmer and City Clerk Brandon Henry.

**Motion** by Dorothea Taylor Bogert, seconded by Keith Cowie, to approve the Community Redevelopment Agency Minutes of the April 21, 2025 meeting. Upon vote, all ayes.

Assistant City Manager Amy Palmer thanked Vice Chair Tim Pospichal for filling in for Chair Ellie Harper in her absence.

Vice Chair Tim Pospichal asked if there was public comment on any item not on the agenda. There was no public comment.

## 1. PRESENTATION OF THE PROPOSED 5-YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PLAN

Assistant City Manager Palmer presented the Community Redevelopment Agency calendar for this fiscal year. She said at the last meeting of the Community Redevelopment Agency on April 21, 2025, the Community Redevelopment Agency Board went over the suggested project list and added projects to the list. We then incorporate the projects on the Suggested Project List into the 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan.

The Capital Improvement Plan will be presented to the Community Redevelopment Agency Board for final approval at the August meeting (August 17, 2025). Next month, we will present the budget. Assistant City Manager Palmer presented a flow chart depicting the process for adopting the 5-Year Capital Improvement Plan. She presented the proposed Capital Improvement Plan.

### CITY OF AUBURNDALE FIVE-YEAR SCHEDULE OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2025

COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT	FY 2025 - 2026	FY 2026 - 2027	FY 2027 - 2028	FY 2028 - 2029	FY 2029 - 2030	FY 2030 - 2031
Master Plan for Splash Pad/Wiley Dr/Pickleball/ and MAS property	\$150,000					
US Hwy 92/Havendale Corridor Plan		\$75,000				
Splash Pad	\$1,000,000 Design & Reserve	\$2,000,000 Construct (Use \$1,500,000 from Reserves)				
Streetscape, Wiley Drive/Church Street	\$500,000 Reserve	\$500,000 Reserve	\$500,000 Reserve	\$750,000 Design	\$2,500,000 Construct (Use \$1,500,000 from Reserves)	
Tennis Court Expansion & Pickleball Courts		\$500,000 Reserve	\$1,000,000 Design & Reserve	\$2,000,000 Construct (Use \$1,500,000 from Reserves)		
Skate Park and Dog Park (old MAS fields)					\$1,000,000 Design & Reserve	\$2,000,000 Construct (Use \$1,000,000 from Reserves)
Incentive Loan Program	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$150,000		
Update Streetscape	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	\$100,000	
<b>TOTAL CIP PER FISCAL YEAR</b>	<b>\$1,900,000</b>	<b>\$3,325,000</b>	<b>\$1,750,000</b>	<b>\$3,000,000</b>	<b>\$3,600,000</b>	<b>\$2,000,000</b>

Bill Sterling asked regarding Wiley Drive, how much of the railroad right-of-way can we take advantage of – or do we have to pay CSX?

Assistant City Manager Palmer said it is something she would have to take a look at. CSX is possessive of their right-of-way. She does not know if they would accommodate landscaping or brick pavers. It is something we would have to look into.

Bill Sterling said he is curious as to how flexible they are, and if we have to pay for that right-of-way.

Assistant City Manager Palmer said they have not been too flexible otherwise. She knows that when we did the PK Avenue project, we purchased the land at the end of the road where the stormwater pond is. Otherwise, we have to go through permitting if you are working in or near their right-of-way.

Bill Sterling said we have to pay them for railroad crossings, for going across that right-of-way. He is curious how flexible they were. We might not have enough money.

Dorothea Taylor Bogert asked Assistant City Manager Palmer if she thinks that allocating \$150,000 a year for the incentive loan program will be sufficient, given we have some big projects pending?

Assistant City Manager Palmer said she does. We have some remaining funds in that line-item.

Dorothea Taylor Bogert asked how much?

Assistant City Manager Palmer said last time she looked, it was about \$400,000. The project she has pending will bring it down to \$200,000. There is another potential project behind that project that could go up to the full \$300,000 amount.

Dorothea Taylor Bogert expressed confusion as to a discrepancy with her copy of the proposed Capital Improvement Plan and what was presented on the screen to the Board, as it relates to the tennis court expansion and pickleball courts.

Assistant City Manager Palmer indicated this was an error. The copy provided in the packets is the correct version.

Bill Sterling said that with the pickleball courts and the splash pad, one is for the older folks and the other is for the younger folks.

Dorothea Taylor Bogert said we have been promising a splash pad. People were curious as to why it was not proposed at Lake Ariana Park. That is why she does not want to push that back. She said pickleball is a sport for all ages.

Vice Chair Pospichal asked for public comment. There was no public comment.

Vice Chair Pospichal said this item was for information only.

Vice Chair Pospichal honored the late Cindy Price, who passed away on May 10<sup>th</sup>. She was an original board member of the Community Redevelopment Agency.

The Board and staff honored Cindy Price and shared their memories of her.

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:59:00 p.m.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Minutes are true and correct.

  
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Brandon Henry, City Clerk