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Warrenton Urban Renewal Agency - Special Meeting October 31, 2018 Warrenton City Hall - Commission Chambers 225 S. Main Warrenton, Or 97146

Chair Henry Balensifer convened the Urban Renewal Agency meeting at 1:33 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Chair Henry Balensifer, Rick Newton and Pam Ackley Excused: Tom Dyer and Mark Baldwin

Staff Present: Executive Director Linda Engbretson, Community Development Director Kevin Cronin, and Secretary Dawne Shaw

Mayor Balensifer noted the special meeting was called to discuss real property transactions. Executive Director Linda Engbretson briefly discussed the Baumann property, stating this is a derelict property that has been foreclosed on by the county. Mayor Balensifer noted the city does not have jurisdiction to declare a nuisance on county owned property. Ms. Engbretson stated the county wants to dispose of property, and they are accepting bids. She discussed the offer letter, stating the city would offer \$5,519.95, based on the Redemption Worksheet dated August 28, 2015. She said the city would like to get the property cleaned up and turned around. Mayor Balensifer noted the property has been derelict a long time, and the neighbors have complained and are concerned for their safety. Brief discussion continued. Community Development Director Kevin Cronin suggested presenting the offer letter to the county, and if accepted, staff would come back to the Commission for the next steps. Ms. Engbretson noted staff's perspective is to remove the blight first, then turn it around for sale. Mayor Balensifer noted it been on nuisance radar for a long time; whoever ends up buying it, the city will require it be cleaned up very quickly. He noted he supports the letter. Discussion continued. Ms. Engbretson noted the opportunity presented itself due to Mr. Cronin's pursuit of it as a nuisance, and the county wants to be a good partner.

Commissioner Newton made the motion to authorize Community Development Director's signature on the offer letter to the Clatsop County Assessment & Taxation Office. Motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Balensifer – aye; Newton – aye; Ackley - aye

Brief discussion continued.

There being no further business Chair Balensifer adjourned the URA meeting at 1:53 p.m.

ATTEST:

Dawne Shaw, Secretary

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APPROVED:

Henry A. Balensifer III, Chair Rick Newton, Mayor Pro-tem