

**Holyoke Redevelopment Authority Meeting Minutes – November 2, 2020**  
**Virtual Meeting via Zoom - Meeting ID: 831 5315 7976**

**Held concurrent with City Council Development and Government Relations Committee (DGR)**

**Members Present:** John Whelihan, Chairperson, Gladys Lebrón-Martinez, Vice Chairperson, Thomas Creed, Treasurer, Patricia Duffy, Asst. Treasurer, Carl Eger, Jr., Member

**Staff Present:** Marcos Marrero, Executive Director, John Dyjach, Asst. Director, Benjamin Murphy, Development Specialist

1. **Call to order:** John Whelihan called the meeting to order at 6:41 p.m. and stated that the meeting was being recorded via a zoom video conference call. A roll call followed:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Yes</u>
Thomas Creed	X
Carl Eger, Jr.	X
Patricia Duffy	X
John Whelihan	X
Gladys Lebrón-Martinez	X

2. **Presentation to Development and Government Relations Committee Public Hearing on Proposed Amendment to Urban Renewal Plan - continuation from September 3 and October 5 meetings:** Marcos Marrero said that since the last DGR meeting the HRA met and considered the feedback it received. He referred the Councilors to the revised property lists which were emailed to them which show properties removed as well as a proposed final list for inclusion in the plan amendment. He explained that essentially the properties where an owner expressed a desire to be off the list as well as most private properties that were not mission critical were removed. He explained that the HRA thought the properties removed are important but can be revisited in the future whereas the work in South Holyoke is most critical at this time. Mr. Marrero added that the Lawrence School property was also removed because it can also be revisited once there is more clarity on the school plans. Thomas Creed thanked the committee and appreciated the input received. He also thanked Marcos for summarizing the HRA's position and that hopefully consensus can be reached on this revision. The DGR committee then proceeded with the Public Hearing and prior to closing the hearing provided the HRA the opportunity to adjourn.

3. **Adjournment:** With no other business, a motion was made by Carl Eger at 6:55 p.m. and seconded by Thomas Creed to adjourn the meeting. A roll call followed:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Yes</u>
Thomas Creed	X
John Whelihan	X
Patricia Duffy	X
Carl Eger, Jr.	X
Gladys Lebrón-Martinez	X

Respectfully Submitted,



John Whelihan, Chairperson

(The meeting can be viewed at <https://holyokemedia.org/programming/government-programming-archive/>)