

Direction on Proposed Amendments to the Redevelopment Agency Advisory Board (RAAB)

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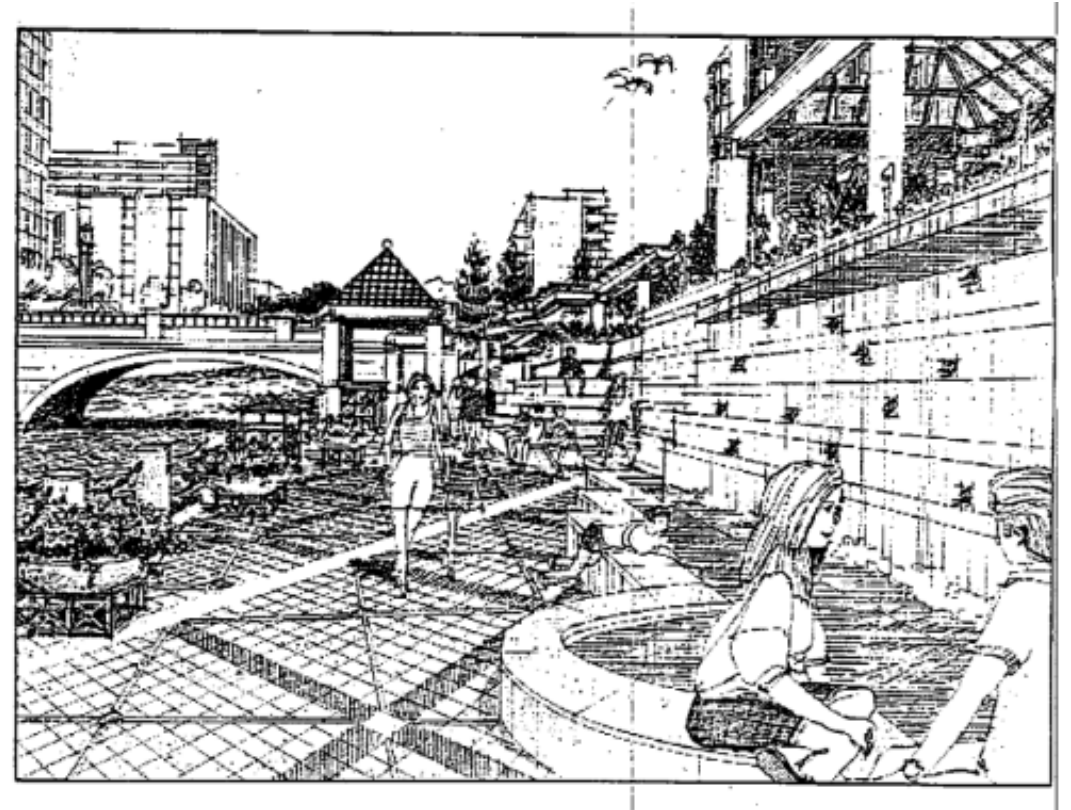
RAAB Bylaws Update

1. Roles of the RAAB, RDA Agency Staff, and RDA Board
2. Past Bylaws Amendments
3. Direction on Proposed Amendments
4. Timeline to Re-establish the RAAB

1990 – Redevelopment Plan: Redevelopment Agency

RDA 1 Goals

- Experiences
- Circulation
- Commercial and Recreation
- Attractiveness
- Housing
- Public Improvement
- Private Development
- Blight Elimination
- Preservation
- Coordinated Development and Design



1990 – Redevelopment Plan: Redevelopment Agency

1. Agency may create and devise plans, designs, feasibility studies, projects and programs.
2. On an annual basis the Agency will develop and propose for adoption a list of projects or capital improvement program.
3. Agency will constitute an advisory group which may consist of area residents, property owners, business owners and other interested citizens.

Role of the RAAB

- **Responsibilities:**

1. Provide an assessment of proposed projects.
2. Provide its views on opportunities presented to the RDA.
3. Review and comment on matters from time to time that are referred to the RAAB.

- **Authority:**

The RAAB's authority is limited to providing non-binding recommendations. It has no decision-making or executive power.

Role of the Agency (Staff)

- **Responsibilities:**

1. Manage redevelopment programs, contracts, and projects.
2. Coordinate between different city departments, external consultants, developers, and other stakeholders.
3. Prepare staff reports, financial analyses, and other documentation for the Redevelopment Agency Board and RAAB.
4. Conduct community outreach and engagement as part of redevelopment efforts.
5. Oversee compliance with local, state, and federal regulations related to redevelopment.

- **Authority:**

Manages day-to-day operations and makes administrative decisions and execute the policies set by the Redevelopment Agency Board. They have authority over staff and implementation but do not have legislative or decision-making power over policy.

Role of the Agency Board (Council)

- **Responsibilities:**

1. Decision-making body responsible for approving redevelopment plans, contracts, projects, budgets, and policies.
2. Allocate funding for redevelopment initiatives.
3. Set policy direction and goals.
4. Ensure redevelopment efforts are aligned with City strategy.
5. Approve sale or acquisition of property with RDA areas.

- **Authority:**

Holds ultimate decision-making power. It approves the recommendations made by staff and the Advisory Board and approves or rejects redevelopment plans, projects, budgets and policies.

History of Amendments to RAAB

- **November 9, 1987:** Resolution No. 38, establishing the Downtown Redevelopment Plan Review Committee.
- **September 29, 2003:** Resolution No. 55 renamed the committee to the Redevelopment Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) and increased membership to 13.
- **March 11, 2009:** The committee was renamed the Redevelopment Agency Advisory Board to avoid confusion with the Community Assistance Center (CAC).
- **March 10, 2010:** The number of RAAB members was reduced to nine (9), aligning with the current structure.

Current Bylaws Overview

- **Meetings:** Held regularly at 3:00 pm, with dates determined by the Chair and Redevelopment Agency Administrator. Additional meetings can be called by the Chair or a majority of voting members. Meetings shall comply with Nevada Open Meeting Law.
- **Officer Elections:** A Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson are elected annually in January.
- **Quorum:** A majority of the nine (9) voting members constitutes a quorum.
- **Absence Policy:** Members with four unexcused absences or three consecutive absences are subject to automatic resignation.
- **Robert's Rules of Order:** These are adopted to guide board procedures.

Proposed Amendments

1. Clarify meeting schedule to better align with Nevada Open Meeting Law
2. Clarify election procedures for officers of the advisory board
3. Add provisions for remote attendance and quorum
4. Define excused absences
5. Bylaws will be adopted by the Redevelopment Agency (Council)
6. Chairperson may make motions when necessary
7. Clarify press release procedures
8. Modify Advisory Board make-up to include professional experience or applicable certifications
9. Develop Conflict of Interest policy and process

Timeline to Re-establish RAAB

- October 23 – Bylaw Review
- November 20 – Amended Bylaws for Board Approval
- Late November – Open RAAB Applications on City of Reno website
- December – Council Liaison Appointments (with all other annual board/commission/committee appointments)
- December/January – Advisory Board Appointments to RAAB
- January/ February – First RAAB meeting

Recommended Motion

I move to approve the proposed amendments to the Redevelopment Agency Advisory Board Bylaws.