## SPECIAL CRA BOARD MEETING BEGINS IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE CITY COMMISSION AGENDA ITEMS JULY 16, 2012 7:00 PM

CRA Board Members Present
Shirley Groover Bryant, Presiding Officer
Tamara Cornwell
Charles Smith
Tambra Varnadore
Brian Williams
Alan Zirkelbach

Staff Present
Jeff Burton, CRA Director
Jim Freeman, City Clerk
Bob Marble, CRA Strategic Planning Specialist
Allen Tusing, Public Works Director
Mark Barnebey, City Attorney
Rick Wells, Chief of Police
Amber Foley, Assistant City Clerk

Mayor Bryant called the CRA Board meeting to order at 8:53 p.m.

## 1. CRA BOARD AGENDA APPROVAL

Motion: Ms. Cornwell moved to approve the July 16, 2012 CRA Board Agenda.

Mayor Bryant pulled item number 5, the conceptual "Seahorse" project from the CRA Board Agenda, because she has received more information, and it will possibly go back to the CRA Advisory Board.

Ms. Cornwell modified the motion on the floor to remove item number 5 from the agenda.

Mr. Zirkelbach seconded the motion on the floor, and motion carried 5-0.

#### 2. CRA CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes: July 2, 2012

Motion: Ms. Varnadore moved, Ms. Cornwell seconded and motion carried 5-0 to approve

the July 2, 2012 CRA Board minutes.

# 3. ACQUISTION OF REAL PROPERTY FOR EXPANSION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. (MLK) PARK

Mayor Bryant informed the Board that after signing the contract, the City is allowed sixty days to do due diligence, and if any problems should arise then the City can opt out of the contract.

Attorney Barnebey explained that because of funding questions regarding agenda items 3 and 4, the Board should consider this for possible City purchase, and, after further review, decide which entity should purchase the properties.

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Motion: Mr. Zirkelbach moved, Mr. Smith seconded the motion to approve the purchase

contract with Al Washington for \$5,000.00 for the property noted as "a portion of

Parcel ID #26196.0000/6" identified as Lot 19 Block 3 MRS AD Cox Plat.

Mayor Bryant explained that the stipulations regarding due diligence are in the contract.

Motion on the floor carried 5-0

# 4. ACQUISITION OF REAL PROPERTY FOR EXPANSION OF MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. (MLK) PARK

Motion: Ms. Varnadore moved, Mr. Zirkelbach seconded and motion carried 5-0 to approve

purchase contract with Wilbert Velez for \$16,008.00 for the property at 206 12th

Avenue West\*.

Mr. Burton clarified that the due diligence includes environmental and asbestos studies.

Motion on the floor carried 5-0.

\*Minutes corrected October 1, 2012 to reflect the purchase of property owned by Wilbert Velez located at 206 12<sup>th</sup> Street West.

## 5. CRA DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

Mr. Burton displayed pictures of the existing garbage cans in Sutton Park and a picture of the new garbage cans that will be used. They are made locally, are larger, lockable, and the color scheme is consistent with the area surrounding Sutton Park. CRA purchased enough for the Historic Park as well.

Mr. Burton presented pictures from the 4<sup>th</sup> of July event which drew larger crowds than last year. The citizens gave rave reviews on the City's Facebook page as well as Three Dog Night's' page.

The Veterans Monument was moved this week. The concrete was poured today. The second monument will be moved in the near future and the foundation is already in place for it.

Mayor Bryant commended Public Works for their efforts in moving the monument and solving the problems that arose when they dug it up to have it moved.

Bob Marble informed the Board that the Florida National Register Review Board approved the application for the Armory. The application will go to the national level for review and hopefully get approved to have the Armory listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Mr. Marble explained the application was approved for military and social significance at the local level. If the VFW and the City work together to make improvements on the exterior of the building, then the CRA can reapply for architectural significance. The VFW has indicated an interest in trying to renovate the building.

Ms. Varnadore thanked Bob Marble for his work.

## PRESIDING OFFICER'S COMMENTS

Mayor Bryant wrote a thank you letter on behalf of the Board thanking everyone for their help with the July 4<sup>th</sup> event.

## 8. CRA BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS

Ms. Varnadore stated that the event on the 4<sup>th</sup> exceed her expectations; she was very pleased with the turnout.

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## 9. PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR THE CRA BOARD

None

Mayor Bryant adjourned the meeting at 9:15 p.m.

Minutes Approved: August 6, 2012

James R. Freeman

James R. Freeman City Clerk

Minutes corrected: October 1, 2012

The July 16, 2012 minutes were corrected to reflect the purchase of property owned by Wilbert Velez located at 206 12<sup>th</sup> Street West.