

**CITY OF PALMETTO
COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
ADVISORY BOARD MEETING
August 9, 2016
2:00 PM**

Board Members Present:

Barbara Gaulien, Vice Chair
Roberto Gonzalez
David Washington

Staff Present:

James Freeman, City Clerk
Matt Misco, Accountant II
Scott Rudacille, Chief Assistant City Attorney
Scott Tyler, Chief of Police
Penny Johnston, Executive Assistant

Vice Chair Gaulien called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m., followed by a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance. New board member, David Washington, was asked to introduce himself.

1. CRA ADVISORY BOARD AGENDA APPROVAL

MOTION: Mr. Gonzalez moved, Mr. Washington seconded, and the motion carried unanimously to approve the August 9, 2016 CRA Advisory Board agenda.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Board members had not received a copy of the minutes to review prior to the meeting.

MOTION: Mr. Gonzalez moved, Mr. Washington seconded, and the motion carried unanimously to table the approval of May 31, 2016 CRA Advisory Board Minutes until next meeting.

4. COMMUNITY POLICING INITIATIVE PLAN BUDGET

Chief Tyler gave a PowerPoint presentation, which is attached and made a part of these minutes. Chief Tyler described Universal Crime Rate (UCR) as the common benchmark to measure the effectiveness of policing. He defined Part 1 crimes and talked about CRA allocations to fund police, in order to decrease Part 1 crimes. He commented CRA officers specifically assigned to the CRA district are being proactive, reactive and interactive with the community. He talked about current police programs as well as innovative programs being developed.

Mrs. Gaulien offered thanks for all the Police Department does for the community. Mr. Washington and Mr. Gonzalez both added supportive comments.

5. PALMETTO CRA 2016-2017 BUDGET

The Board reviewed the proposed budget. Mr. Washington suggested any surplus funds should go to the Police department for their needs. Mrs. Gaulien requested additional funds for sod at Haben Blvd to finish landscape.

MOTION: Mr. Gonzalez moved, Mr. Washington seconded, and the motion carried unanimously to recommend approval of the budget as proposed.

6. OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Gonzalez questioned the status of the Police building. Chief Tyler responded there are no specific ideas on the table, but staff continues to look at options. City Clerk, Jim Freeman commented that a ½ cent sales tax initiative will be on ballot in November. If the initiative passes, City buildings and capital projects would benefit from that revenue.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Chair Gaulien adjourned meeting at 2:52 p.m.

Minutes approved: March 14, 2017

Jeff Burton

Jeff Burton, CRA Director