

Community Redevelopment Board  
October 5, 2009

CRA Board Members Present

Shirley Bryant (Presiding Officer, Non-Member)  
Tamara Cornwell  
Mary Lancaster  
Tambra Varnadore  
Brian Williams  
Alan Zirkelbach

Staff Present:

Mark P. Barnebey, Kirk Pinkerton  
Jeff Burton, Interim CRA Administrator  
James R. Freeman, City Clerk  
Garry Lowe, Chief of Police  
Allen Tusing, Public Works Director  
Diane Ponder, Deputy Clerk-Administration

Mayor Bryant called the CRA Board meeting to order at 8:35 pm.

1. CRA BOARD AGENDA APPROVAL

**MOTION: Ms. Cornwell moved, Mr. Zirkelbach seconded and motion carried 5-0 to approve the October 5, 2009 CRA Board agenda.**

2. CRA CONSENT AGENDA

A) Minutes: September 14, 2009

**MOTION: Mr. Zirkelbach moved, Ms. Cornwell seconded and motion carried 5-0 to approve the October 5, 2009 CRA Board Consent Agenda.**

3. INTERIM CRA ADMINISTRATOR'S COMMENTS

Mr. Burton stated there is a need to amend the submittal timeline for the Storefront Grant Program applications. Mayor Bryant suggested that there should be no submittal deadlines. Mr. Burton stated this suggestion has been talked about at the Advisory Board meeting, but the Board has not yet approved the amendment.

**MOTION: Ms. Cornwell moved, Mr. Zirkelbach seconded to eliminate the application deadline for the CRA Storefront Grant Program.**

Discussion: Commissioner Varnadore stated she would not vote on an item with CRA Advisory Board approval. Nick Costides, CRA Advisory Board, stated the CRA Advisory Board questioned the deadline and wrote the program to allow work to begin before the 90 day approval was granted, with the applicant aware the grant may not be funded. Attorney Barnebey confirmed that Section 11.84 of the Code allows the CRA Board to take action without a CRA Advisory Board recommendation if it is in the best interest of the City.

Discussion ensued on the topic. Beverly Minnix, CRA confirmed the application deadline is October 2, 2009. She also stated the next CRA Advisory Board October 13, 2009 agenda contains the topic for the Board's consideration.

The Board was asked to amend its meeting schedule to be the third Monday of the month to shorten the time wherein information being submitted by the CRA Advisory Board would be

considered by the CRA Board. The CRA Board agreed to schedule its monthly meeting to the third Monday of the month. The next meeting will be October 19, 2009.

**Motion on the floor carried 4-1. Commissioner Varnadore voted no.**

Mr. Burton stated staff will accept Storefront Grant applications until such time the CRA Advisory Board instructs them otherwise.

4. PRESIDING OFFICER'S COMMENTS

5. CRA BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS

Mrs. Lancaster  
None

Ms. Cornwell  
No

Mr. Zirkelbach  
Requested that outgoing CRA Board members Mahoney and Langford receive acknowledgment of their years of voluntary service to the City. Mr. Burton stated he will take care of the item.

Mr. Williams  
None

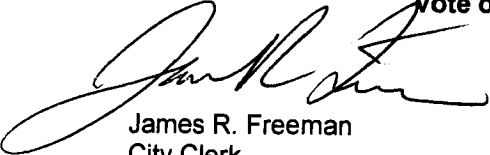
Ms. Varnadore  
Inquired of the CRA Advisory Board vacancy. Mr. Burton stated he is speaking with a business leader in the community about sitting on the Board.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR CRA BOARD

None

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm.

Minutes approved: **Corrected November 2, 2009 to reflect that Ms. Varnadore will not vote on an item without CRA Advisory Board approval.**

  
James R. Freeman  
City Clerk