

**CRA BOARD MEETING**  
**November 3, 2014**  
**7:00 PM**

Board Members Present:

Shirley Groover Bryant, Presiding Officer  
Jonathan Davis, Chair  
Brian Williams, Vice Chair  
Tamara Cornwell  
Charles Smith  
Tambra Varnadore

Staff Present:

Mark Barnebey, City Attorney  
Jeff Burton, CRA Director  
Jim Freeman, City Clerk  
Allen Tusing, Director of Public Works  
Rick Wells, Chief of Police  
Amber Foley, Assistant City Clerk

Mayor Bryant opened the CRA Board meeting at 8:11 a.m.

1. CRA BOARD AGENDA APPROVAL

Attorney Barnebey amended the motion for item D of the Consent Agenda to include declaration of the property as surplus. He also removed item F of the Consent Agenda to be placed on the next CRA Board agenda.

**Motion: Mr. Davis moved, Mrs. Cornwell seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the November 3, 2014 CRA Board Agenda as recommended by the City Attorney.**

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

3. CRA CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Blalock Walters Legal Bills
- B. Resolution 2014-03 Riverside Boat Ramp Budget
- C. Boat Ramp Pavilion Conceptual Plan
- D. 705 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue West Property RFP (Motion modified to include declaring the property surplus)
- E. FDEP Florida Coastal Management Grant Award
- F. Generic Incentive Agreement (Removed from the agenda)

Mrs. Cornwell removed item 3C for further discussion.

**Motion: Mrs. Cornwell moved, Mr. Smith seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve items 3A, B, D, and E of the November 3, 2014 CRA Consent Agenda and including the amendment to the motion for item D.**

3.C. Boat Ramp Pavilion Conceptual Plan Discussion:

Mr. Burton explained that the plans are to use the existing pavilion that is already located on the site because is structurally sound. He would like to update it along with the restrooms that are attached. He is suggesting that the Board may want to include a bait shop. Working on a conceptual plan now will help with receiving the West Coast Inland Navigation District (WCIND) grant funds.

Discussion ensued regarding the design of the pavilion and the facilities that will be at the boat ramp. Mr. Burton explained that a bait shop could be included in the conceptual as this would be a good use at the

pavilion. If the Board has some ideas and thoughts on what they would like to see at the pavilion they can be incorporated into the plan. Mr. Burton would be happy to provide the Board with a list of ideas that would work with the structure on the property and the Board can choose what they want.

Mrs. Varnadore requested a Workshop be held on this item to discuss the options for the pavilion ahead of time. This will insure a conceptual plan be made that the Board will be happy with. Mayor Bryant agreed and stated that she would like to see this brought forward to the next CRA Board meeting for discussion with scenarios and options presented to the Board.

**Motion: Mrs. Cornwell moved, Mr. Smith seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to move the Boat Ramp Pavilion Conceptual Plan discussion to the next CRA Board meeting.**

#### 4. MLK PARK UPDATE

Mr. Smith expressed his pleasure with the how the park has turned out.

Bob Gause, Project Manager, stated that parking for the park is at the Youth Center; but he explained this is primarily a neighborhood park to be walked to and through.

#### 5. RIVERSIDE PARK BOAT RAMP UPDATE

Mr. Gause informed the Board that construction is underway and should be substantially complete by February 2015.

#### 6. CRA DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

Mr. Burton notified the Board that the application to Southwest Florida Water Management District (SWFWMD) has been made for the \$900,000.00 funding for the multimodal project (as discussed at the last Board meeting). Work on the project should begin in 2016 with 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue work to start a couple years later.

#### 7. PRESIDING OFFICER'S COMMENTS

Mayor Bryant complimented the nice event that was put on for the MLK Park dedication that occurred last week.

She is pleased with the work that has started on the boat ramp.

Mayor Bryant stated that she attended the Taste of Manatee event at Sutton and Lamb Park's this past weekend and noted it was very successful.

#### 8. CRA BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS

None.

Mayor Bryant adjourned the meeting at 8:50 p.m.

Minutes approved: December 1, 2014

*James R. Freeman*

James R. Freeman, City Clerk