

CRA BOARD MEETING
June 1, 2015
7:00 PM

Board Members Present:

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

Staff Present:

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

Mayor Bryant opened the CRA Board meeting at 7:57 p.m.

1. CRA BOARD AGENDA APPROVAL

Motion: Mr. Davis moved, Mr. Williams seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the June 1, 2015 CRA Board Agenda.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

3. CRA CONSENT AGENDA

- A. May 4, 2015 Minutes
- B. Dollar General Store Incentives

Commissioner Williams questioned why demolition is included in the Dollar Store Incentive Agreement. Mr. Burton stated that demolition requires a building permit and if any substantial demolition is done to a structure then the CRA offers incentives for that. This building was demolished completely and a new one built.

Commissioner Varnadore questioned why this Incentive Agreement is being brought forward for approval after the store is open and operating. Mr. Burton stated that the building permit for this structure had to be pulled before determining the incentives. Once the application for incentives is received, the CRA then has the application on the next CRA Advisory Board agenda to determine intent. This agreement went before the CRA Advisory Board last month and they determined it does meet intent. The building has been open with a temporary certificate of occupancy.

Mayor Bryant recognized Jeremy Anderson, representing Dollar General, who was in attendance and available to answer any questions.

The Board was very complimentary of the design of the new building.

Motion: Mr. Williams moved, Mrs. Cornwell seconded, and the motion carried 5-0 to approve the June 1, 2015 CRA Board Consent Agenda.

4. MLK PARK UPDATE

Mr. Freeman informed the Board that the week of June 7th is when the security cameras should be installed at the Park.

5. PALMETTO RIVERSIDE BOAT RAMP UPDATE

None.

6. CRA DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS

Mr. Burton explained that he is working to update the CRA 5-year plan. He is bringing it to the CRA Advisory Board this month for discussion.

Mayor Bryant asked Mrs. Cornwell and Mrs. Varnadore to schedule time to meet with Mr. Burton.

Mr. Burton stated that he will be bringing forward a conceptual plan for Palmetto Riverside Boat Ramp Pavilion. First it will be going to the CRA Advisory Board this month. He will also be bringing forward a conceptual plan for the bus stops in the City at the next workshop.

Mr. Burton will be scheduling a workshop meeting regarding the first phase of the multimodal trail along Business U.S. 41 from the Green Bridge to Riverside Drive. He met with the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) last week and he would like to review the plans with the Board and discuss them.

7. PRESIDING OFFICER'S COMMENTS

8. CRA BOARD MEMBERS' COMMENTS

Mayor Bryant adjourned the meeting at 8:18 p.m.

Minutes approved: July 20, 2015

James R. Freeman

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