



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE

APPROVED
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
NORTHWEST-PROGRESSO-FLAGLER HEIGHTS
REDEVELOPMENT ADVISORY BOARD
CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
June 12, 2023 – 3:00 P.M.

<u>Board Members</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Cumulative Attendance</u>	
		<u>June 2023-May 2024 Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Rhoda Glasco Foderingham, Chair	A	0	1
Dylan Lagi, Vice Chair	P	1	0
Sonya Burrows	A	0	1
Kenneth Calhoun	P	1	0
Lisa Crawford	P	1	0
Noel Edwards	P	1	0
Michael Lewin	P	1	0
Steffen Lue	A	0	1
Christopher Murphy	A	0	1
Alfredo Olvera	P	1	0
John Quailey	P	1	0

Currently there are 11 appointed members on the Board, which means six (6) would constitute a quorum.

Staff

- Clarence Woods, III, NPF CRA Manager
- Lizeth DeTorres, Sr. Administrative Assistant
- Bob Wojcik, Housing and Economic Development Manager
- Eleni Ward Jankovic, Housing and Economic Development Manager
- Vanessa Martin, Business Manager
- Jonelle Adderley, CRA Project Coordinator
- Corey Ritchie, CRA Construction Manager
- Jamie Opperee, Prototype Inc. Recording Secretary

Communication to the CRA Board of Commissioners

None

I. Call to Order/Roll Call

Vice Chair Lagi

Vice Chair Lagi called the meeting to order at 3:04 p.m. and roll was called. A quorum was present.

II. Approval of Minutes

NPF CRA Board

- April 11, 2023 Minutes

Motion made by Ms. Crawford, seconded by Mr. Calhoun to approve the Board's April 11, 2023 minutes. In a voice vote, motion passed unanimously.

III. Project Funding Update

Vanessa Martin

Ms. Martin provided an update in the Board's packet. She said as of June 6, 2023, \$82 million had been awarded and \$35.5 million had been spent.

IV. Discuss Joint Meeting Agenda with City Commission

CRA Staff

Mr. Woods said in the single-family infill housing program, DeAngelo Homes had finished four homes and Mr. Woods had requested an additional six at the last CRA Board meeting. The other developer had buyers who had closed and was ready to apply for more. The Fort Lauderdale CDC had also closed on two homes.

Mr. Woods said commercial developments were also moving forward, with several projects in the final phases of completing plans and pulling permits. They hoped to see ground breakings by the end of the year. He had also requested the CRA Board defund projects from the CIP Projects list that had already been awarded, and \$3.2 million was being reallocated into incentive programs.

Mr. Woods stated the joint meeting with the City Commission/CRA Board would take place on July 5, and he asked for suggestions for discussion. He was certain they would discuss extending the CRA. Mr. Woods said they would also provide a presentation on the Sistrunk Arts and Culture District Plan. He stated they wanted to put together a tool for information dissemination that would function as a "call to artists." They wished to market the corridor developments to the creative communities to create a thriving arts and cultural scene that could be viable for cultural tourism. Mr. Woods stated they may want to talk about Invest Fort Lauderdale as well.

Vice Chair Lagi stated they could discuss the EDC while considering extending the CRA. He suggested talking about corridor parking as well. Mr. Woods said the funds they had just de-allocated were from three parking lots. He would prefer the sites were developments instead of surface parking lots. He also felt a centralized garage would be a mistake because it would disadvantage businesses that were not nearby. Smaller garages throughout the corridor made more sense. Mr. Woods said New Hope Baptist Church planned to add public parking as part of their development.

Mr. Woods informed the Board that someone had recently purchased the project that McGill Pilgrim was going to do near the YMCA and the new owner would have the property rezoned to extend the Northwest RAC to create affordable housing. Mr.

Woods said extending the Northwest RAC on both sides of the street would help them accommodate parking. Vice Chair Lagi stated they should add zoning to their discussion with the City Commission/CRA Board. Mr. Woods stated if they extended the Northwest RAC, they should also consider partnering with property owners to create developments that incorporated parking.

Vice Chair Lagi asked about creating a committee and Mr. Woods said at an upcoming CRA Board meeting, they would bring a resolution to allow the CRANWP to appoint an Evaluation Committee member.

Vice Chair Lagi said the micro mover [Circuit] was an awesome addition to the corridor. They could add this topic to their parking discussions.

Mr. Woods reminded the Board that they City owned 4,000 square feet in the Adderly, at \$12 per square foot, as well as some retail space in the Larimar and Aldridge at \$5 per square foot. He noted they wanted to make some of that space available to local entrepreneurs. He recalled they had done this not just to allow entrepreneurs to open businesses, but to help sustain them.

Vice Chair Lagi listed discussion items:

Extension of CRA/EDC

Sistrunk Arts and Culture District Plan

Transit/parking

Zoning

The joint meeting was scheduled for July 5 at 11:30 AM at the Parker Playhouse.

V. Communication to CRA Board of Commissioners

CRA Staff

None

VI. Old/New Business

Vice Chair Lagi asked if there was a timeline to recapturing funds and Mr. Woods said the concern about having some projects that were not started as of the CRA sunset date was unfounded; the CRA would be permitted to see those projects through.

Mr. Edwards suggested adding addresses to the funding update.

VII. Public Comments

Austin Estape requested a copy of the funding update.

VIII. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

The next regular NPF-CRA meeting will be held **Tuesday – July 11, 2023.**

Any written public comments made 48 hours prior to the meeting regarding items discussed during the proceedings have been attached hereto.