



CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE

APPROVED
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
NORTHWEST-PROGRESSO-FLAGLER HEIGHTS
REDEVELOPMENT ADVISORY BOARD
CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE
August 08, 2023 – 3:00 P.M.

<u>Board Members</u>	<u>Attendance</u>	Cumulative Attendance	
		<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Rhoda Glasco Foderingham, Chair	P	1	1
Dylan Lagi, Vice Chair	P	2	0
Sonya Burrows	P	1	1
Kenneth Calhoun	P	2	0
Lisa Crawford	P	2	0
Noel Edwards	P	2	0
Michael Lewin	P	2	0
Steffen Lue	P	1	1
Christopher Murphy	P	1	1
Alfredo Olvera	P	2	0
John Quailey	P	2	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 Opperlee, Prototype Inc. Recording Secretary

Communication to the CRA Board of Commissioners

None

I. Call to Order/Roll Call

Chair Foderingham

Chair Foderingham called the meeting to order at 3:13 p.m. and roll was called. A quorum was present.

II. Approval of Minutes

NPF CRA Board

- June 13, 2023 Minutes

Motion made by Mr. Lewin, seconded by Mr. Edwards to approve the Board's June 13, 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 stated they had \$2.7 million remaining in the incentive balance. Ms. Martin noted they had added the addresses to the report. Ms. Crawford wished to see the purpose for which the funds were awarded. Mr. Lagi suggested adding the type of incentive.

IV. FY2024 Budget Recommendation

Vanessa Martin

Ms. Martin requested the Board recommend approval the 2024 budget before it was sent to the CRA Board of Commissioners for approval. She estimated they would have \$16.8 million in incentive funds for 2024.

Motion made by Ms. Crawford, seconded by Mr. Lewin to approve the 2024 budget recommendation. In a roll call vote, motion passed 11-0.

V. Communication to CRA Board of Commissioners

CRA Staff

None

VI. Old/New Business

Debriefing Workshop with City Commissioners

Vice Chair Lagi said the meeting had gone well. They had discussed: The remaining time of the CRA, the EDC, how residential projects were tracked, and investments the business community was making.

Mr. Woods said Mayor Trantalis had suggested they move forward with the CRA extension and Mr. Woods had contacted consultants for prices of a necessity study and the amended and restated redevelopment plan. He would ask the City Manager how to proceed. Mr. Woods noted there would also be discussions with the County about the extension because their permission was required. He would speak with procurement about piggybacking the contract for the consultant.

Mr. Woods recalled the Board of Commissioners had required them to implement a strategy to track the infill lots. Mr. Wojcik had suggested including an affidavit that would be mailed to the buyer every year for seven years indicating they still occupied the home. If this was not returned, the CRA could demand the price of the land back. Ms. Adderley said the owner must also include a copy of the FPL and water bill in the owner's name to certify they still lived at the property.

Regarding the extension of the CRA Charter, Mr. Woods described the process and estimated it would take six months. He noted that conversations with Broward County were needed as well, but he did not feel this would take a long time.

Mr. Edwards recalled discussion at the workshop about the art being proposed, and the opinion that the artwork did not reflect the true history of the community. Ms. Burrows said Sistrunk was marketed as a historic area, but the marketing materials concentrated on the 1970s and forward and had left out the older information, such as the Fort Lauderdale Negro Chamber of Commerce, as well as her own business. Mr. Woods stated this involved the Arts and Culture District Plan, whereby Sistrunk would be designated as the Arts and Culture Corridor of the City to create a tourist destination for arts, culture and history. He acknowledged that there had been several significant assets overlooked. He said these other historic assets would be represented as they created the historic trail. He said there would be an exhaustive campaign to identify and include those assets.

Ms. Crawford recalled Commissioner Glassman had asked how they approached historic preservation if it was not based on historic buildings. Mr. Woods said Commissioner Glassman had been discussing buildings eligible for inclusion on the National Registry of Historic Places. There were also buildings that were historically significant due to events and people with whom they were associated. These stories could become part of the narrative to build the historic trail. Mr. Edwards suggested a workshop in this issue and Mr. Woods agreed to work on it. Chair Foderingham said this could also be an agenda item for the Board.

Vice Chair Lagi thought the Arts and Culture Corridor Plan would require some funding and Mr. Woods said they had not allocated funding for that in this budget year. He said Invest Fort Lauderdale would also identify funding opportunities.

Ms. Burrows asked about the property next to the Eula Johnson House. Mr. Wojcik said when they had rezoned the area it was designed to allow building smaller lots but he would be surprised if someone built on this lot. Ms. Ward said a developer had proposed a multi-use building with parking on the roof. Issues had arisen with parking access, and Ms. Ward had not heard back from the developer.

VII. Public Comments

None

VIII. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 3:54 p.m.

The next regular NPF-CRA meeting will be held **Tuesday – September 12, 2023.**

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