



**Deerfield Beach Community Redevelopment Agency
MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, October 9, 2012, 6:30 P.M.
City Commission Chambers, Deerfield Beach City Hall

The meeting was called to order by Chair Noland at 6:34 p.m. on the above date, City Commission Chambers, City Hall, Deerfield Beach, FL.

Roll Call:

Present: Mr. Joe Miller
Mr. Ben Preston
Vice Chair Bill Ganz
Chair Peggy Noland

Also Present: Burgess Hanson, City Manager
Andrew Maurodis, City Attorney
Samantha Gillyard, CMC, Deputy City Clerk

Absent: Mr. Marty Popelsky - Excused

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

DIGITAL TIME STAMP: 6:35:03

August 28, 2012 and September 11, 2012

Motion was made by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mr. Preston to approve the August 28 and September 11, 2012 CRA Meeting Minutes as submitted.

Voice Vote: YEAS: Mr. Miller, Mr. Preston, Vice Chair Ganz and Chair Noland. NAYS: None.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

DIGITAL TIME STAMP: 6:35:13

October 9, 2012

Motion was made by Vice Chair Ganz and seconded by Mr. Preston to approve the October 9, 2012 agenda as submitted.

Voice Vote: YEAS: Mr. Miller, Mr. Preston, Vice Chair Ganz and Chair Noland. NAYS: None.

GENERAL ITEMS**Item 1****DIGITAL TIME STAMP: 6:35:45****Request to direct staff to forward CRA Plan Amendment regarding community policing innovations to the Deerfield Beach City Commission for approval***

Kris Mory, CRA Coordinator, outlined Item 1, submitting the CRA Plan Amendment for community policing to the City Commission for approval. Ms. Mory said that this is a statutory step to move the item forward to the City Commission. She updated the Board on what has led up to this directive.

MOTION was made by Mr. Miller and seconded by Vice Chair Ganz to approve Item 1.

Voice Vote: YEAS: Mr. Miller, Mr. Preston, Vice Chair Ganz and Chair Noland. NAYS: None.

Item 2**DIGITAL TIME STAMP: 6:36:45****Request for CRA indication of intent to borrow and repay bond funds from the City of Deerfield Beach***

Kris Mory, CRA Coordinator, outlined item 2, requesting that the Board make a motion to approve the desire to borrow bond funds in the future, upon the City's closing of their bond funds.

Andrew Maurodis, City Attorney, explained that the last time this was done, there was an interlocal agreement between the City Commission and CRA which provides for the payback of monies for specific projects. The Board cannot enter into that agreement as the interest rate is unknown and there are some facts. Nevertheless, the City Commission will be taking important steps next week in approving the bond ordinance and it is just a matter of the Board expressing the intent to accept funds for repayment to be devoted to CRA projects.

MOTION was made by Vice Chair Ganz and seconded by Mr. Miller to approve Item 2.

Voice Vote: YEAS: Mr. Miller, Mr. Preston, Vice Chair Ganz and Chair Noland. NAYS: None.

Item 3**DIGITAL TIME STAMP: 6:38:10****CRA Resolution 2012/011 – A Resolution of the Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Deerfield Beach, Florida, approving West Construction Inc's change order for installation of additional electrical capacity in the Cove Shopping Center in an amount not to exceed \$19,908.00.**

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Kris Mory, CRA Coordinator, outlined Item 3, funding to install additional electrical capacity in the Cove Shopping Center, in the amount of \$19,908.00; by change order to West Construction. During the FY 2013 Budget, the Board expressed the desire to continue having special events at the Cove. She explained that there was no additional electrical capacity and Parks and Recreation Staff was relied upon to use a generator and electrical cords for decoration lighting and other special events. The Board asked that funds be set aside in the FY 2013 Budget to install additional electrical capacity. Ms. Mory said due to the amount of time required to design, permitting, construct and complete this project, Staff asked that West Construction complete this through a change order which is the most expeditious way prior to the holiday events.

Continuing, Ms. Mory said that the benefit is that we are working with the same contractor, Pomeroy of Deerfield Beach; which helps maintain the warranty of existing work in the plaza. However, because it is a change order, the Board maybe paying a premium as it needs to be done quickly. She briefly outlined Staff that was involved in scoping out the process and who made sure the project was done adequately and properly. She said by not investing in Parks and Recreation staff, there would be a return on investment (ROI) in year 8; only doing the holiday tree lighting service and not the other projects that may benefit from this change order. Lastly, Ms. Mory said that this will have to come to the Board as it exceeds the CRA Manager's spending limit.

Mr. Miller said that since the Green Market wants to go weekly, having the additional electrical is necessary

MOTION was made by Mr. Miller and seconded by Mr. Preston to approve Item 3, adopted CRA Resolution 2012/011.

Mr. Preston said that his initial concern is that the money being requested is more than anticipated, but it is being viewed as an investment for the future. He asked how much of a difference it is.

Ms. Mory replied that while under construction, it was in the ball park of \$15,000; moreover, it is more because everything has been closed off and they have to start over.

Mr. Preston said he is in favor.

Roll Call: YEAS: Mr. Miller, Mr. Preston, Vice Chair Ganz and Chair Noland. NAYS: None.

Item 4**DIGITAL TIME STAMP: 6:43:35****Update regarding the 2012-2013 Green Market at the Cove**

Kris Mory, CRA Coordinator, provided an update for the Green Market. She said that the Cultural Committee has decided that they no longer wish to run the Green Market. When that information became public, Ms. Emily Lilly, who currently operates the City of Boca Raton Green Market, approached the Parks & Recreation staff indicating her

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desire to take over. Ms. Mory provided additional background for Ms. Lilly; although Ms. Lilly is not asking for a management fee directly, she has asked that the CRA support the Green Market by towing, if cars are left overnight, to remove the cars. Ms. Lilly also intends to build relationships with the plaza businesses to avoid using port-o-lets, and support for additional event advertising if necessary. She is also proposing weekly markets, 24 total, starting November 4 - April 28, from 8 am - 1 pm. Ms. Mory said last year, people suggested weekly markets so that they did not have to wonder whether one was being held. Additionally, several Parkland vendors are leaving to come to Deerfield Beach to work with her; which speaks to her ability. She said that the market will not be much different than last year from the public's perspective as some of the same vendors will be there. Any items being requested are within the CRA Manager's approval rating.

Phil Biscorner, Community Events Liaison, said that last year's logos are being used and provided to Ms. Lilly as the City cannot use them for anything else.

Chair Noland said that Ms. Lilly also coordinates the Christmas parade in Boca Raton.

Mr. Miller said this is an incredible plus for the City and a great plan for success.

Item 5**DIGITAL TIME STAMP: 6:48:29****Update regarding pressure washing and sealing of sidewalks in the Cove Shopping Center**

Kris Mory, CRA Coordinator, provided an updated on the pressure washing in the Cove, which has been completed. She outlined photos of the before and after work of the sidewalks. Additionally, the agenda backup, illustrates what was accomplished. She said in some locations, the staining was so bad that they came back multiple times to apply additional chemicals to remove the stains. There was no business interruption as the work was done at night. This is not in the FY 2013 Budget, as the CRA does not anticipate doing this again in the future.

Chair Noland said that there must be a way for the businesses to assist with the cost.

Ms. Mory said that she wrote a letter to each property owner explaining the project and them assuming responsibility for future maintenance. A fact sheet was also sent to them illustrating how to maintain the pavers. She said that Hiep Huynh, CRA Project Manager, went door to door and gave them brochures on maintenance.

Vice Chair Ganz said that it does not appear that the property owners were informed that this will become their financial responsibility and needs to be done. He also commented on the condition of the sidewalks and how the businesses maintain their facilities. In closing, Vice Chair Ganz reemphasized that the property owners be notified that the CRA will no longer maintain the pavers.

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Chair Noland - Deerfield Beach Fishing Pier - Chair Noland said that she researched having the fish that was at Luna Rosa. She explained that there is a wall at the pier which is 17 feet, 2 inches high and 48 feet in width, will read the "Deerfield Beach International Fishing Pier". She said that she and Staff met with the contractor, Stiles, and advised that the fish actually light up at night which is great during turtle season as they will be on the east side.

Kris Mory, CRA Coordinator, provided photographs of the pier; thereafter, Chair Noland outlined each. Mayor Noland said that the wall itself was very plain. While driving toward the pier, there will be fish statues on pedestals and lit at night, along with a bench.

Chair Noland said that she spoke with various individuals who started pricing at \$7,500 each, and it was negotiated to \$5,000 each. There will not be an additional charge for lighting since it is already there; the wall will have a light on it.

MOTION was made by Mr. Preston and seconded by Mr. Miller to pursue the pier project enhancement.

Roll Call: YEAS: Mr. Miller, Mr. Preston, Vice Chair Ganz and Chair Noland. NAYS: None.

Mr. Miller - Draw Bridge Bicycle Friendly - Mr. Miller said that he has been speaking with Kris Mory, CRA Coordinator, about making the drawbridge bicycle friendly.

Chair Noland said that the cars are suppose to stay 3 feet away from bicyclists; which would be difficult on the bridge. Some people use the sidewalk early in the morning.

Ms. Mory said that Staff has been communicating with FDOT for over a year and a half to make the Hillsboro Bridge safer for bicyclist. She explained that there is a steel grate over the metal section of the bridge and no bike lane; it ends just west of the Cove Shopping Center intersection. At that point, bicyclists are supposed to move into the traffic lane and proceed as a motor vehicle or get off and walk the bike across the bridge. They are not allowed to ride the bike on the sidewalk. The bridge is quite treacherous for bike traffic. When FDOT advised that they were installing a test surface on the Hillsboro Inlet Bridge, which likely has the most bicycle traffic in the County. She was asked to coordinate community response and with the Board's contacts; therefore, she sent out an email asking people to ride over the bridge; in 2 days, she received over 30 email responses that were all positive. The information will be shared with FDOT; however, there is no funding earmarked for the City's bridge. If an improvement were to be made, it would likely be in Fiscal Year 2015 or 2016, as part of their regular maintenance program. If the CRA wanted to contribute and move this improvement forward, it would be entertained; the improvement is about \$100,000.

Chair Noland said that is a lot of money, but she would bring it up again with the MPO; as she has been trying to get this for a couple of years. She said that the Live Strong bike event will bring in about 200 people; they ride the sidewalk which starts at 6 am, and suggested asking them to help raise money. She said the State typically requests

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accident reports, but most bikers don't call 911 so there won't be a report. She further commented on a bike injury involving her son and them taking him to the hospital without filing a report. She said she will ask for assistance at the October 18th event.

Ms. Mory said she copied the e-mails and it is in the packet; it is worth reading as the information shared was very compelling.

Chair Noland reiterated her son's accident and the dangers on the bridge.

PUBLIC INPUT

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:08 P.M.

PEGGY NOLAND, CRA CHAIR

ATTEST:

ADA GRAHAM-JOHNSON, MMC, CITY CLERK