# **Community Redevelopment Agency**

City Hall 200 East University Avenue Gainesville, Florida 32601



# **Meeting Minutes**

Monday, July 20, 2009

3:00 PM

**City Hall Auditorium** 

Thomas Hawkins (Chair)
Lauren Poe (Vice-Chair)
Jack Donovan (Member)
Pegeen Hanrahan (Member)
Scherwin Henry (Member)
Craig Lowe (Member)
Jeanna Mastrodicasa (Member)

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## **CALL TO ORDER - 3:05 PM**

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# **ROLL CALL**

Present: Pegeen Hanrahan, Craig Lowe, Jack Donovan, Jeanna Mastrodicasa, Scherwin Henry, Lauren Poe and Thomas Hawkins

# ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

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Member Mastrodicasa moved and Member Lowe seconded to adopt the Consent Agenda, as presented.

(VOTE: 5-0, Member Henry and Member Hanrahan - Absent, MOTION CARRIED)

Chair Hawkins recognized Pat Fitzpatrick who made comments.

## **SECRETARY CONSENT**

090202. Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Minutes (B)

**RECOMMENDATION** The CRA approve the minutes of June 15, 2009, as circulated.

This Matter was Approved as Recommended on the Consent Agenda.

<u>090203.</u> Appointment of Lynne Holt and Reappointments of James D. Harnsberger and Anne M. Haisley to the College Park/University Heights Redevelopment

Advisory Board (NB)

**RECOMMENDATION** The CRA appoint Lynn Holt and reappoint James D.

Harnsberger and Anne M. Haisley to the College

Park/University Heights Redevelopment Advisory Board for

terms to expire 6/17/2012.

Member Donovan: Harnsberger, Haisley, Holt Member Hanrahan: Harnsberger, Haisley, Holt Member Henry: Feagin, Harnsberger, Holt Member Lowe: Harnsberger, Haisley, Holt

Member Mastrodicasa: Harnsberger, Jodis, Haisley

Member Poe: Harnsberger, Haisley, Holt Chair Hawkins: Harnsberger, Haisley, Holt

This Matter was Approved as Recommended on the Consent Agenda.

090204. Reappointment of David Castine to the Downtown Redevelopment Advisory Board (NB)

#### RECOMMENDATION

The CRA reappoint David Castine to the Downtown Redevelopment Advisory Board for a term to expire 6/17/2012.

Member Donovan: Castine Member Hanrahan: Castine Member Henry: Jodis Member Lowe: Jodis

Member Mastrodicasa: Castine

Member Poe: Castine Chair Hawkins: Castine

This Matter was Approved as Recommended on the Consent Agenda.

## 090205.

Appointment of Nam Henderson and Andrew M. Coffey; and Re-aappointment of Mary C. Rhodes and Cindy Campbell to the Eastside Redevelopment Advisory Board (NB)

#### RECOMMENDATION

The CRA appoint Nam Henderson and Andrew M. Coffey; and re-appoint Mary C. Rhodes and Cindy Campbell to the Eastside Redevelopment Advisory Board.

Member Donovan: Readvertise

Member Hanrahan: Henderson, Rhodes, Campbell, Coffey Member Henry: Henderson, Rhodes, Campbell, Coffey Member Lowe: Henderson, Rhodes, Campbell, Coffey Member Mastrodicasa: Henderson, Rhodes, Campbell,

Coffey

Member Poe: Henderson, Rhodes, Campbell

Chair Hawkins: Henderson, Rhodes, Campbell, Coffey

This Matter was Approved as Recommended on the Consent Agenda.

# <u>090206.</u>

Appointments of Cesar F. Fernandez and Melanie Barr to the Fifth Avenue/Pleasant Street Redevelopment Advisory Board (NB)

## RECOMMENDATION

The CRA appoint Cesar F. Fernandez and Melanie Barr to the Fifth Avenue/Pleasant Street Redevelopment Advisory Board for a term to expire June 17, 2012.

Member Donovan: Henderson, Barr Member Hanrahan: Barr, Fernandez Member Henry: Nembhard, Fernandez Member Lowe: Rose, Fernandez

Member Mastrodicasa: Rose, Fernandez

Member Poe: Tedford, Barr Chair Hawkins: Barr, Fernandez

This Matter was Approved as Recommended on the Consent Agenda.

#### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CONSENT**

090214. CRA Wins Planning Award (NB)

<u>RECOMMENDATION</u> CRA Exectuve Director to CRA Board: Receive update.

This Matter was Approved as Recommended on the Consent Agenda.

090212. Request to Solicit Terms for Bank Note for NW 5th Ave Commercial Building and Model Block Project (NB)

**RECOMMENDATION** The CRA Board direct the CRA Executive Director to prepare

and issue a request for terms for a bank loan for CRA Office Building and Model Block and authorize the CRA Executive Director to retain professional services, if necessary, to

implement this debt issue.

This Matter was Approved as Recommended on the Consent Agenda.

090216. Sidewalk Easement (B)

**RECOMMENDATION** CRA Executive Director to the CRA Board: Approve granting

of sidewalk easement to the City of Gainesville and authorize the CRA Chair to execute, the CRA Secretary to attest the easement documents subject to approval by the CRA Attorney

as to form and legality.

This Matter was Approved as Recommended on the Consent Agenda.

090215. Cotton Club Grant Agreement for FY2009 Appropriation (B)

**RECOMMENDATION** CRA Executive Director to the CRA Board: Authorize the

Executive Director to execute an agreement with The Cotton Club Museum and Cultural Center, Inc., a Florida non-profit corporation, for budgeted grant funds, subject to approval by

the CRA Attorney as to form and legality.

This Matter was Approved as Recommended on the Consent Agenda.

090221. CRA Project Summary (NB)

**RECOMMENDATION** CRA Executive Director to CRA: Receive project update from

staff.

This Matter was Approved as Recommended on the Consent Agenda.

**Passed The Consent Agenda** 

A motion was made by Member Mastrodicasa, seconded by Member Lowe, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Aye: Jeanna Mastrodicasa, Craig Lowe, Jack Donovan, Thomas Hawkins and Lauren Poe Absent: Pegeen Hanrahan and Scherwin Henry

# END OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

## ADOPTION OF THE REGULAR AGENDA

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Member Poe moved and Member Donovan seconded to adopt the Regular Agenda, as presented.

(VOTE: 6-0, Member Hanrahan - Absent, MOTION CARRIED)

NOTE: Member Henry entered the meeting room during this item.

# **SECRETARY**

## **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

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# 090222. NW 5th Ave Streetscape Phase II (B)

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CRA Project Engineer Diane Bennett and CRA Finance Manager Greg Bradley gave presentations.

**RECOMMENDATION** CRA Executive Director to the CRA Board: 1) Hear a

presentation from staff; and 2) provide input.

Heard

# **090213.** Update on A. Quinn Jones House (B)

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Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs Project Coordinator Erin Friedberg and CRA Finance Manager Greg Bradley gave presentations.

**RECOMMENDATION** CRA Executive Director to CRA: Hear an update on the A.

Quinn Jones Homestead Rehab Project from staff.

Heard

## 090217. Rail-Trail Lighting Standard (B)

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CRA Project Engineer Diane Bennett gave a presentation.

Chair Hawkins recognized Victoria Jodis who spoke to the matter.

**RECOMMENDATION** CRA Executive Director to the CRA Board: 1) Hear a

presentation and recommend the City Commission approve

the Lumec Domus Small Series as the lighting standard for implementation on the City's rail trail system; and 2) recommend that the City Commission adopt the Lumec Domus Small Series for inclusion on GRU's inventory of approved lighting fixtures.

A motion was made by Member Henry, seconded by Member Lowe, that this matter be Approved as Recommended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Aye: Craig Lowe, Pegeen Hanrahan, Scherwin Henry, Jack Donovan, Thomas Hawkins and Lauren Poe

Absent: Jeanna Mastrodicasa

## **CRA ATTORNEY**

# REPORTS FROM ADVISORY BOARD/COMMITTEES

College Park/University Heights Redevelopment Advisory Board

**Downtown Redevelopment Advisory Board** 

**Eastside Redevelopment Advisory Board** 

Fifth Avenue/Pleasant Street Redevelopment Advisory Board

# **MEMBER COMMENT**

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# **Member Scherwin Henry**

- 1. Enjoyed the presentations.
- 2. A. Quinn Jones Historic Marker Event should be recognized.
- 3. Eastside Cafe' progress.
- 4. Eastside CRA specific staff person.

CRA Finance Manager Greg Bradley and CRA Manager Anthony Lyons made comments.

# **Member Lauren Poe**

1. Sixth Street Rail Trail design and enhancement - businesses and residents along the corridor would like to participate.

## Member Pegeen Hanrahan

Jean Dubois Design & Development - Residential Development , Madison Lane - Site outside of the boundary of the CRA. See following referral item #090280.

## 090280. Madison Lane Project on Hawthorne Road (NB)

CRA Planner Kelly Huard Fisher made comments.

**RECOMMENDATION** The CRA refer the issue of the Madison Lane Project on

Hawthorne Road to the City Commission for their consideration of possibly expanding the Eastside Redevelopment area to include this parcel.

A motion was made by Member Hanrahan, seconded by Member Henry, that this matter be Referred to the City Manager, due back on January 20, 2010. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Aye: Jeanna Mastrodicasa, Craig Lowe, Pegeen Hanrahan, Scherwin Henry, Jack Donovan, Thomas Hawkins and Lauren Poe

## Member Jack Donovan

CRA Advisory Board Criteria - CRA Manager Anthony Lyons made comments.

## 090281. CRA Advisory Board Membership Criteria (NB)

# **RECOMMENDATION** The CRA refer to CRA Staff in conjunction with the Clerk's

Office to: 1) Provide an update on the current qualifications of CRA Members; and 2) provide recommendations on ways to attract residents and/or business/property owners to apply for seats in their CRA districts.

A motion was made by Member Donovan, seconded by Member Henry, that this matter be Referred to the CRA Staff, due back on January 20, 2010. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Aye: Jeanna Mastrodicasa, Craig Lowe, Pegeen Hanrahan, Scherwin Henry, Jack Donovan, Thomas Hawkins and Lauren Poe

## **Member Thomas Hawkins**

- 1. Advisory Boards encouraging advisory board candidates to apply.
- 2. Pleasant Street Historical Society ask staff to invite the society to a Fifth Avenue/Pleasant Street Advisory Board Meeting for a discussion.

CRA Manager Anthony Lyons made comments.

## CITIZEN COMMENT

## **NEXT MEETING DATE**

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August 17, 2009.

# **ADJOURNMENT - 4:48 PM**

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CRA Secretary