

City of Gainesville

City Hall
200 East University Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32601



Minutes - Final

Monday, December 17, 2012

3:00 PM

City Hall Auditorium

Community Redevelopment Agency

Susan Bottcher (Chair)
Todd Chase (Vice-Chair)
Thomas Hawkins (Member)
Yvonne Hinson-Rawls (Member)
Craig Lowe (Member)
Lauren Poe (Member)
Randy Wells (Member)

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CALL TO ORDER-3:02PM

- Present** 6 - Member Lowe, Member Wells, Chair Bottcher, Member Hawkins, Vice-Chair Chase, and Member Hinson-Rawls
- Absent** 1 - Member Poe

ROLL CALL

ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA

Member Wells moved with Member Lowe seconding to approve consent agenda with moving of File #120622 to the regular agenda.

Motion carried 6-0 with Member Poe absent.

SECRETARY CONSENT

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CONSENT

120623. **Lease with SharpSpring, LLC for Suite 100 of the 802 NW 5th Avenue Commercial Building (B)**

RECOMMENDATION *CRA Executive Director to CRA Board: Authorize the CRA Executive Director to execute a lease with SharpSpring LLC., subject to review as to form and legality by the CRA Attorney.*

Approved as Recommended

END OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

ADOPTION OF REGULAR AGENDA

A motion was made by Member Lowe, seconded by Member Wells, that this Matter be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

- Aye:** 6 - Member Lowe, Member Wells, Chair Bottcher, Member Hawkins, Vice-Chair Chase, and Member Hinson-Rawls

- Absent:** 1 - Member Poe

SECRETARY

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

120624. **South Main Street (B)**

Sarit Sela and Kelly Fisher made presentations.

Motion: Use presentation as basis for design and authorize a series of community input sessions with local neighborhoods.

RECOMMENDATION *CRA Executive Director to CRA Board: Hear presentation from Staff*

A motion was made by Member Wells, seconded by Member Hawkins, that this Matter be Approved, as shown above (Main Motion). The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Member Lowe, Member Wells, Chair Bottcher, Member Hawkins, Vice-Chair Chase, and Member Hinson-Rawls

Absent: 1 - Member Poe

[120626.](#)

Cade Museum Agreement (B)

Marion Radson and Kelly Fisher made presentations.

Amendment: modify date and other changes recommended and place on December 20th City Commission if possible

RECOMMENDATION *CRA Attorney to the CRA Board: Recommend the City Commission request the City Attorney amend the Cade Museum MOU.*

A motion was made by Member Wells, seconded by Member Lowe, that this Matter be Approved as Amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 6 - Member Lowe, Member Wells, Chair Bottcher, Member Hawkins, Vice-Chair Chase, and Member Hinson-Rawls

Absent: 1 - Member Poe

[120627.](#)

Hawthorne Road Corridor Assessment (B)

Sarah Vidal-Finn CRA Senior Analyst made a presentation.

The CRA heard presentations from representatives of Chen Moore and Associates.

Member Lowe left the meeting at 5:15PM.

RECOMMENDATION *CRA Executive Director to the CRA Board: Hear presentation from staff and provide feedback*

Heard

[120628.](#)

Downtown Community Plaza Concepts (B)

Sarah Vidal-Finn CRA Senior Analyst and Pat Ballasch made presentations.

Citizen Donald Sheppard spoke to the matter.

Chair Bottcher left the meeting at 5:22PM and Vice-Chair Chase assumed the gavel.

Motion: Moved by Member Hawkins and seconded by Member Wells to have the CRA conduct the following tasks before bringing the project back for CRA consideration again 1) More information on Lunchbox cafe 2) Consideration of street

trees and management of cars on the plaza 3) Work with RTS on Bus bay and cover for patrons 4) Utilize a phased approach for economic reasons 5) meet with stakeholders and 6) provide budget update.

Motion carried 4-0 with Members Lowe, Bottcher and Poe absent.

RECOMMENDATION CRA Executive Director to the CRA Board: 1) Hear presentation from staff 2) provide feedback and 3) recommend approval to move forward into designing of construction documents for the north side of the Downtown Plaza

Approved, as shown above (Main Motion)

Aye: 4 - Member Wells, Member Hawkins, Vice-Chair Chase, and Member Hinson-Rawls

Absent: 3 - Member Lowe, Member Poe, and Chair Bottcher

[120622](#)

CRA RFQ for General Engineering and Consulting Services (B)

Clerk to schedule special meeting on January 3, 2013.

RECOMMENDATION CRA Executive Director to the CRA: 1) Approve the ranking of the top three (3) firms in the order listed; and 2) authorize the CRA Executive Director to negotiate and execute contracts with the top ranked firms, and if unsuccessful, to negotiate with the remaining firms in the order ranked, subject to approval by the CRA Attorney as to form and legality.

A motion was made by Member Hawkins, seconded by Member Hinson-Rawls, that this Matter be Continued. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 4 - Member Wells, Member Hawkins, Vice-Chair Chase, and Member Hinson-Rawls

Absent: 3 - Member Lowe, Member Poe, and Chair Bottcher

CRA ATTORNEY

REPORTS FROM ADVISORY BOARDS/COMMITTEES

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EASTSIDE REDEVELOPMENT ADVISORY BOARD

FIFTH AVENUE/PLEASANT STREET REDEVELOPMENT ADVISORY BOARD

MEMBER COMMENT

Commissioner Hinson Rawls discussed GTEC, East-side advisory board and crime in Pine Ridge.

CITIZEN COMMENT

Gerry Dedenbach and Donald Sheppard spoke to the agency

NEXT MEETING DATE

ADJOURNMENT-6:42PM

Kurt Lannon, CRA Secretary