

City of Gainesville

*City Hall
200 East University Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32601*



Minutes

September 21, 2021

5:30 PM

Hybrid Meeting

GRU Multipurpose Room

Gainesville Community Reinvestment Area Advisory

Board

*Jason Atkins-Tuffs
K. Richard Blount
Carrie Bush
Linda Dixon
Evelyn Foxx
Armando Grundy-Gomes
Jacob Ihde
Christopher Merritt
Jason Mitchell
Warren Nielsen
Michael Palmer
Bradley Pollitt - Chair
Stephanie Seawright – Vice Chair
Jessica Turner-Evans
Joakim Nordqvist*

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CALL TO ORDER

6:10 p.m. upon arrival of Member Blount, which established quorum.

ROLL CALL

- Present** 8 - Member Blount, Member Bush, Member Dixon, Member Foxx, Member Ihde, Member Mitchell, Vice-Chair Seawright, and Nordqvist
- Absent** 7 - Member Atkins-Tuffs, Member Grundy-Gomes, Member Merritt, Member Nielsen, Member Palmer, Chair Pollitt, and Member Turner-Evans

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

A motion was made by Member Foxx, seconded by Member Bush, that this matter be Adopted. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

- Aye:** 8 - Member Blount, Member Bush, Member Dixon, Member Foxx, Member Ihde, Member Mitchell, Vice-Chair Seawright, and Nordqvist
- Absent:** 7 - Member Atkins-Tuffs, Member Grundy-Gomes, Member Merritt, Member Nielsen, Member Palmer, Chair Pollitt, and Member Turner-Evans

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Member Foxx, seconded by Member Bush, that this matter be Adopted. The motion CARRIED by the following vote:

- Aye:** 8 - Member Blount, Member Bush, Member Dixon, Member Foxx, Member Ihde, Member Mitchell, Vice-Chair Seawright, and Nordqvist
- Absent:** 7 - Member Atkins-Tuffs, Member Grundy-Gomes, Member Merritt, Member Nielsen, Member Palmer, Chair Pollitt, and Member Turner-Evans

COMMUNICATIONS

REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Request to Address the board was withdrawn.

CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Member Bush, seconded by Member Ihde, that this matter be Adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion CARRIED by the

following vote:

Aye: 8 - Member Blount, Member Bush, Member Dixon, Member Foxx, Member Ihde, Member Mitchell, Vice-Chair Seawright, and Nordqvist

Absent: 7 - Member Atkins-Tuffs, Member Grundy-Gomes, Member Merritt, Member Nielsen, Member Palmer, Chair Pollitt, and Member Turner-Evans

[210270.](#) GCRA Business Improvement Grant Update (NB)

[210268.](#) GCRA Housing Programs Update (NB)

[210274.](#) Heartwood Update (NB)

BUSINESS DISCUSSION ITEMS

[210271.](#) Downtown Strategic Plan Project Update (B)

Members Foxx, Mitchell, Nordqvist, Blount spoke to the matter. Tana Silva spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION *Hear presentation and provide input.*

No Action Taken

[201159.](#) 8th & Waldo Project Update (B)

Move the staff recommendation but modify item 4 to say approve an amount up to \$210,000 pending outcome of the appraisal. Donald Shepherd spoke to the matter.

RECOMMENDATION *GCRA Director to GCRA Advisory Board:*

1. *Approve an amount of \$2,700 for property appraisal for the 806 NE Waldo Road; Gainesville, FL 32641 (Tax Parcel# 10515-002-000)*
2. *Approve an amount of \$4,020 for property boundary survey for 806 NE Waldo Road; Gainesville, FL 32641 (Tax Parcel# 10515-002-000)*
3. *Approve an amount of \$1,800 for Phase I Environmental Assessment for 806 NE Waldo Road; Gainesville, FL 32641 (Tax Parcel# 10515-002-000)*
4. *Approve an amount of \$210,000 to purchase the 806 NE Waldo Road; Gainesville, FL 32641 (Tax Parcel# 10515-002-000)*

A motion was made by Member Dixon, seconded by Member Blount, that this Matter be Approved as Modified. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Member Blount, Member Bush, Member Dixon, Member Foxx, Member Ihde, Member Mitchell, Vice-Chair Seawright, and Nordqvist

Absent: 7 - Member Atkins-Tuffs, Member Grundy-Gomes, Member Merritt, Member Nielsen, Member Palmer, Chair Pollitt, and Member Turner-Evans

PUBLIC COMMENT

Melanie Barr spoke to the matter.

MEMBER COMMENT

NEXT MEETING DATE

ADJOURNMENT

7:17 p.m.