

MINUTES OF MEETING
CITY OF DANIA BEACH
COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
WEDNESDAY, MAY 7, 2014 – 6:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Chairman Duke called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present:

Chairman:	Walter B. Duke III
Vice-Chairman:	Chickie Brandimarte
Board Members:	Bobbie H. Grace Albert C. Jones
CRA Executive Director:	Jeremy Earle
City Attorney:	Thomas Ansbro
CRA Secretary:	Louise Stilson

2. Citizen Comments

There were no comments at this meeting.

3. Administrative Reports

3.1 2014 Arts and Seafood Celebration Update

Kathleen Weeks, CRA Coordinator, reported on the follow-up meeting held after the festival. She said they are trying to find an opportunity and a way to change how all of the elements are coordinated in order to bring the event in on time, on budget, and within City regulations. She noted consultants advise that more responsibility be given to the event producer, which would free up the CRA and City staff of some of the responsibilities. Another suggestion was to have all the required agreements, including insurance and permitting requirements, included in the vendor information packet. She added that streamlining the permitting process was also addressed by the committee.

Chairman Duke suggested that the committee hold one more wrap-up meeting with the full CRA Board.

Board Member Jones said they really need to look at what kind of control would be given to contractors, because they may regret giving something away and then not having any control. He added this is a regular event and it should go through the Building Department easily.

A brief discussion ensued regarding the wrap-up meeting.

3.2 City Center Negotiations Update

Director Earle noted we are still in the middle of negotiations; developer comments were passed to City staff, who reviewed them and provided comments. Following further negotiations with the developer, another meeting needs to be held with staff. He added there is a primary point that needs to be re-negotiated.

4. Presentations

There were no presentations on this agenda.

5. Consent Agenda

5.1 Minutes:

Approve minutes of February 11, 2014 CRA Board Meeting

5.2 Travel Requests:

Request of Dan Murphy, Economic Development Manager, to attend the Florida New Markets Tax Credits Alliance Seminar in Orlando, Florida, on March 13-14, 2014 (Actual cost \$429.29)

5.3 Cancel the July 2, 2014 CRA Board Meeting

5.4 Approve Mid-Year Budget Adjustments of \$29,000.00 for Weiss Serota, and \$30,000.00 for MetroStrategies, Inc.

5.5 RESOLUTION #2014-CRA-001

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE DANIA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY ("DBCRA"), AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE DBCRA AND BROWARD COUNTY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT WITHIN THE CITY AND CRA BOUNDARIES PERTAINING TO CONSTRUCTION OF PUBLIC PARKING SPACES IN CONNECTION WITH A NEW MIXED-USE REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT WITH BROWARD COUNTY; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; FURTHER, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

5.6 RESOLUTION #2014-CRA-002

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE DANIA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY ("DBCRA"), AUTHORIZING ITS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO TRANSFER FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$61,713.00 FROM THE DBCRA TO THE COMMUNITY GARDEN SPECIAL REVENUE FUND; APPROPRIATING \$15,000.00 OF COMMUNITY GARDEN SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS TO ESTABLISH THE 2013-14 FISCAL YEAR OPERATING BUDGET FOR THE GARDEN; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS; FURTHER, PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Board Member Grace motioned to approve the Consent Agenda; seconded by Board Member Jones. The motion carried on the following 4-0 Roll Call vote:

Board Member Grace	Yes	Vice-Chairman Brandimarte	Yes
Board Member Jones	Yes	Chairman Duke	Yes

6. Proposals and Bids

There were no proposals on this agenda.

7. Discussion and Possible Action

There were no discussion items on this agenda.

8. Board Member Comments

Director Earle noted Clare Vickery wanted the Board to rescind her Merchants Assistance grant.

Board Member Jones motioned to rescind the Merchant Assistance grant approved by the Board for Clare Vickery; seconded by Board Member Grace. Motion passed unanimously.

Vice-Chairman Brandimarte proposed a new program be created for all business owners along Federal Highway, from Old Griffin Road to Stirling Road, to paint their businesses for free. She also proposed putting the painting job out for bid, giving local residents priority, and having Director Earle establish a color palette for the Board to work with.

Vice-Chairman Brandimarte motioned to approve \$20,000.00 of the CRA façade and merchant funds be used for a pilot program for the CRA to work with the downtown merchants for a free painting program; seconded by Board Member Jones.

Chairman Duke suggested placing this matter on the next agenda, to which the Board agreed.

Board Member Jones commented he would like to see more outreach to the small businesses in the City for any event held in Dania Beach where the City is involved. He added he would like the Arts and Seafood Celebration to grow into a larger event.

Board Member Grace noted no one was more critical than she was to make sure every business, resident, and volunteer in the City knew about the festival. She added it is beneficial to the City to continue to have the event.

Vice-Chairman Brandimarte said it would be unfair to compare our festival to the one in Ft. Lauderdale, and noted she hopes the day comes that this festival will be profit-making.

Chairman Duke had no comments.

9. Adjournment

Chairman Duke adjourned the meeting at 6:29 p.m.

ATTEST:

COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT
AGENCY

for *Louise Schneider, Deputy City Clerk*
LOUISE STILSON, CMC
CRA SECRETARY


WALTER B. DUKE III
CHAIRMAN – CRA

Approved: June 10, 2014

