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**Martin County
Community Redevelopment Agency
Minutes**

**Blake Library
Martin County
Administration Bldg.
2351 SE Monterey Road
Stuart, FL 34996**

Monday, September 28, 2020

PRESENT

Position	Name	Term Expiration
Chairperson	Catherine Winters	December 31, 2023
Vice Chair	Richard Kennedy	January 7, 2021
Members	Mark Palazzo	December 31, 2020
	Michael Readling	December 31, 2020

ABSENT

Position	Name	Term Expiration
Member	Saadia Tsafarides	December 31, 2020
Member	Michael Banas	January 7, 2023
Vice Chair	Cynthia Hall	December 31, 2020

STAFF PRESENT

Position	Name
CRA Manager	Susan Kores
CRA Project Manager	James Clasby
CRA Senior Project Manager	Jordan Pastorius
CRA Project Manager	Joshua Mills
CRA Development Specialist	Jana Cox
Assistant County Attorney	Elizabeth Lenihan
Budget Financial Manager	Stephanie Merle

* Indicates a motion

** Indicates a vote

*** For the record comment

CALL TO ORDER – Meeting was called to order at 3:03 pm.

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST – None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – Agenda Item: 20-1097 Draft Meeting Minutes – August 31, 2020

MOTION

- * R. Kennedy motioned to approve the proposed August 31, 2020 meeting minutes as presented
- ** M. Readling seconded, and the motion carried UNANIMOUSLY

COMMENTS

1. PUBLIC - none
2. MEMBERS - none
3. STAFF - none

PRESENTATIONS

Agenda Item: 20-1098, CRA Capital Projects Update – September 28, 2020

Susan Kores, CRA Manager presented the update for September 28, 2020 highlighting the Hobe Sound Bridge Road Main Street project, Hobe Sound Gomez Affordable Housing project, Port Salerno Infrastructure project, Rio Stormwater project, Old Palm City Mapp Road Town Center project, Old Palm City Palm City Place project, and Old Palm City "Ripple" EcoArt Stormwater project.

- M. Palazzo – The plans for Leighton Park were distributed to this board after our last meeting. Did you receive any feedback?
- J. Pastorius – We did not receive any comments from CRA board members.

NEW BUSINESS

Agenda Item: 20-1117, Recommendation to amend all six Martin County Community Redevelopment Area Community Redevelopment Plans to include a project sheet for neighborhood enhancement for small projects.

Susan Kores, CRA Manager presented the plan to move this recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners for approval.

- M. Palazzo – Is there a threshold that these items need to fall within as opposed to a capital project line item?
- S. Kores – Not really. Each NAC has put funds into their Neighborhood Enhancement Fund and no threshold is needed.
- M. Palazzo – My concern is that everything becomes a small project unless we put a threshold on it.
- E. Lenihan – You can limit the funding if needed, but \$50,000 is what is budgeted. We could add language to this recommendation to clarify.
- S. Merle – This is governed by CIP. The line item called Neighborhood Enhancement cannot exceed \$50,000 and I will be monitoring and approving these expenses.
- M. Palazzo – Do you care about the more granular projects and how this is tracked?
- S. Kores – You can make the motion as you chose and add this language.
- C. Winters – I do not see the Neighborhood Enhancement projects getting out of hand.
- M. Palazzo – I would like to see a safeguard in place.
- S. Kores – We can track Neighborhood Enhancements on our CRA spreadsheet each month.

MOTION

* R. Kennedy motioned to approve the proposed recommendation to amend all six Community Redevelopment Plans as presented by staff and recommend approval by the BOCC.

** M. Readling seconded, and the motion carried 3 to 1 with M. Palazzo opposing

UPDATE

Susan Kores, CRA Manager updated the board regarding the LDR project and our what is happening at our next board meeting. Leo Repetti will be presenting on the Rio Septic to Sewer Project and we will also have a Rio Town Center presentation.

COMMENTS

1. PUBLIC - none
2. MEMBERS
 - M. Palazzo – The construction company is doing an excellent job on Mapp Road. I do not see any flooding or drainage issues. They are making good progress.
 - S. Kores – We are pleased with the contractor as well and they are working six days a week from 7:00 am to 7:00 pm. They are actually right on schedule with this project.
3. STAFF - none

ADJOURN – Meeting adjourned at 3:41 pm

Recorded and Prepared by:


Jana Cox, Community Development Specialist


Catherine Winters, Chair

10/26/2020

Date

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