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Martin County Community Redevelopment Agency Meeting Minutes

Commission Chambers, Martin County-Admin Building
2401 South East Monterey Road, Stuart, Florida

Monday, September 22, 2025

PRESENT

Position	Name	Term Expiration
Chair	Robert Krebs	January 27, 2027
Vice Chair	Michael Readling	January 13, 2029
Members	Jamie Rolle Taylor	December 31, 2027
	Rex Sentell	January 13, 2029
	Chuck Smith	January 13, 2027
	Saadia Tsaftarides	January 13, 2029

ABSENT

Position	Name	Term Expiration
Members	Cindy Hall	January 13, 2029

STAFF PRESENT

Position	Name
CRA Director	Susan Kores
CRA Assistant Manager	Jordan Pastorius
CRA Specialist	Dianne Racek
CRA Program Manager	Joy Puerta
CRA Program Manager	Jana Cox
CRA Coordinator	Elise Raffa
Assistant County Attorney	Frank Moehrle
Assistant County Administrator	George Stokus

* Indicates a motion

** Indicates a vote

*** For the record comment

CALL TO ORDER Meeting was called to order at 3:00 PM.

DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Agenda Item: 25-1281 Draft Meeting Minutes – August 25, 2025

MOTION

*M. Readling motioned to approve the proposed August 25, 2025; meeting minutes as presented.

**C. Smith seconded, and the motion carried UNANIMOUSLY

COMMENTS

PUBLIC-none

PRESENTATION

Agenda Item: 26-0078, CRA CAPITAL PROJECTS REVIEW – September 22, 2025

Susan Kores provided a monthly review of active capital projects and an introduction of new projects.

Agenda Item: 26-0097 CRA Project Review- Hobe Sound Unpaved Roads, Jensen Beach Maple Ave. drainage.

Jane Cox provided a review of the Hobe Sound CRA Unpaved Roads project and the Jensen Beach drainage project.

COMMENTS

J. Rolle Taylor- Will all the CRAs be coordinating with Public Works on unpaved road projects?

S. Kores- Our first approach is to coordinate with Public Works on unpaved road projects. For example, in Golden Gate, we partnered with them since they were already working in that area.

J. Rolle Taylor- It is ideal to coordinate with Public Works, particularly considering the unpaved roads projects underway across the CRAs.

OLD BUSINESS

Agenda Item: 26-0098 Golden Gate Neighborhood Improvement project update

Yuen Dang, Principal at DDEC, presented updated designs for priority street sections within the Golden Gate Neighborhood, and educated the Board members on traffic calming challenges and solutions as well as discussed the pros and cons of the street sections presented.

COMMENTS

S. Tsaftarides- Do the designs consider cul-de-sacs?

Y. Dang- Limited right-of-way makes them impractical on streets like Fairmont.

C. Smith- Have you seen the mini-roundabout on High Meadows in Palm City — is it too small?

Y. Dang- Roundabouts are designed with an outer circle and a textured inner circle to allow larger vehicles to make tighter turns. The design of the mini-roundabout on High Meadows makes sense — it supports smooth traffic flow by slowing vehicles without restricting movement.

C. Smith- Is there a plan to implement landscaping now or in the future, considering the tire marks in the center?

Y. Dang- I will visit the site. Since our right-of-way widths range from 50 to 100 feet, each roundabout needs to be designed accordingly. We have identified some potential sites and will present them at a future meeting.

J. Rolle Taylor- Can the road at Hemlock be connected from Indian to Kensington?

Y. Dang- We lack right-of-way in that area; focus remains on locations with available right-of-way.

R. Krebs- Do the designs account for underground utilities to keep them clear of planting areas?

Y. Dang- Our final designs fully account for these issues.

R. Krebs- Are 10-foot lanes typical?

Y. Dang- Within the CRA, smaller streets have 10-foot lanes, while Jefferson Street uses 11-foot lanes for heavier traffic.

R. Krebs- Placing the multi-use trail in the middle seems beneficial for safety and connectivity.

Y. Dang- The trail placement offers parking and landscaping benefits but raises safety concerns requiring possible crosswalks.

S. Kores- Considering parking adjacent to the pathway slows traffic, do members find this design suitable for the CRAs?

R. Sentell- This concept raises safety concerns if applied to Indian Street, due to high traffic and parked cars.

S. Kores- Would you prefer a design without parking?

R. Sentell- Parking is tight on Indian Street; it may be better kept on the neighborhood side. The concept suits less congested areas.

Y. Dang- Designs can be flipped or adjusted to meet neighborhood needs.

Further discussion took place between the CRA members and the presenter concerning the overall design and the multi-use trail.

1. PUBLIC – none

2. MEMBERS –

J. Rolle Taylor- The Bahamian Festival is coming up on October 4th at New Monrovia Park in Port Salerno. There will be a Junkaroo band, a parade, food trucks, and all-day entertainment.

S. Tsaftarides- Trash pickup in Golden Gate is an issue, especially with tree debris and furniture piling up on Fairmont. It's not being collected like before.

S. Kores- We will reach out to Waste Management to address and clarify the issues with trash collection.

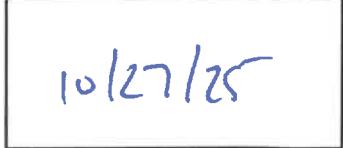
3. STAFF-none

ADJOURN – Meeting adjourned at 356PM.

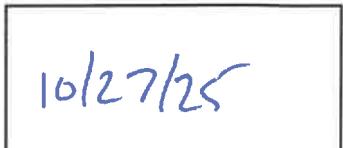
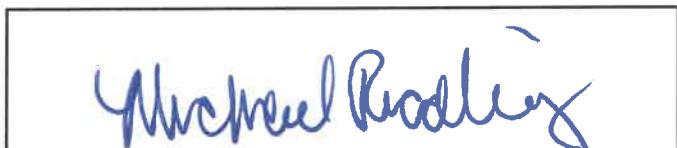
Recorded and prepared by:



Dianne Racek, Community Development Specialist


10/27/25

Date


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~~Robert Krebs~~, Chair

Date



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Monday, September 22, 2025-3:00pm

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