



COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

MINUTES
JUNE 18, 2019
5:30 P.M.

PRESENT: **Chairman** Theo Washington, **Vice Chairman**, Rodney Daniels, **Director** Eddie Cole, **Director**, Marilyn Davis-Sconions, **Director**, Tarus Mack, **Director**, Brent Gardner; and **Director** Clarese Hopkins.

Also, in attendance: **CRA Attorney** Greg Jackson, & Cathlene Williams, **Town Clerk**,

Chairman Washington called the CRA Meeting to order at 5:30 PM, followed by Silent Moment of Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

- I. CALL TO ORDER**
- II. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- III. ROLL CALL**
- IV. APPROVAL OF CRA MINUTES- May 21, 2019, Motion by Director Cole, the motion was seconded by Director Sconions; AYE: ALL, MOTION PASSES.**

A. Old Business

- i. Resolution CRA-R-2019-2, Designating Funding in the amount of \$40,000 for Specific Use Annually to Fund the Residential Façade Grant Improvement Program. (Action).** Chairman Washington states this Resolution is to ensure the spending does not go over \$40,000 for the Façade Grants. Just to confirm, Vice Chairman Daniels states this funding is for residential only; as confirmed by Chairman Washington. Director Cole asked just to clarify the funding amount is \$30,000, so an additional \$10,000 is added to the budget, to make the total funding for façade grants \$40,000. Motion should read to increase the façade grant funding by \$10,000 additional funding, the total budget for façade grants will

CRA budget does not have a position of a Consultant, so therefore if its not in the budget, you can't hire anyone, you would need to ask for an amendment of the CRA budget to hire a Consultant or a Professional. Vice Chairman Daniels stated he is not in favor of this and would ask the board to not be in favor, we need to follow the process that we have. **AYE:** NO VOICE VOTE BY: Director Sconions, Director Mack, Director Gardner, and Chairman Washington; **NAYE:** Director Hopkins, Director Cole, Vice Chairman Daniels, Director Gardner. **MOTION FAILS.**

- iv. **Resolution CRA-R-2019-7, Amending CRA Bylaws. (Action).** Chairman Washington stated this agenda item is being presented to allow board members additional time to put items on the CRA Agenda, instead of (10) days it will be (5) days, amending section 2.1, 4.2 Memorandum of Understanding. Director Sconions suggested to Chairman Washington to table this item, since we do not have the Interlocal Agreement with Orange County to read, bring this back to the next CRA Meeting with the Interlocal Agreement, another recommendation would be to put the Interlocal Agreement in the Directors mail boxes to read, by the next CRA meeting they should have read this. Vice Chairman Daniels asked that the Board get a better understanding of the Resolution with the changes. **TABLED.**
- v. **CRA Funding Application submitted by David Barany for property located at 403 E. Kennedy Boulevard. (Action).** Director Cole asked Attorney Jackson has he reviewed this application; Attorney Jackson replied YES, based on the criteria, all has been met. Director Cole asked are we putting in place the lien for properties that receive funding? Chairman Washington stated we need to add this language to our policy. Attorney Jackson stated this language can be added to the application before you change the policy. Also, prior to the release of any funds, there should be an addendum to the application that indicates the potential lien provision that is discussed by this board if it is approved. This application can be approved subject to the

by Director Mack, the motion was seconded by Director Gardner; AYE:
ALL, MOTION PASSES.

vii. Accepting the Resignation Letter submitted by Attorney Gregory Jackson. Chairman Washington stated that during the last CRA meeting, the board didn't vote on a resignation letter, this is on the Agenda to accept his letter of resignation. Director Cole stated that Attorney Jackson rescinded his letter of resignation and voted on by the board. Chairman Washington replied that the board does not vote on a letter of resignation. Chairman Washington stated that he wanted to make it clear with the Board, that the Chairman accepted the letter of resignation from Mr. Jackson, the board doesn't have to accept the letter first, the Chairman will receive the letter of resignation and then take to the Board. **(Action). NO ACTION.**

viii. Approval to hire Michael Johnson as CRA Consultant. (Action). Chairman Washington stated that the Bylaws states the Board can't hire a consultant, since we only have one (1) application for this position, we need someone in place, Mr. Johnson knows the CRA, he is the one that brought the CRA to the Town of Eatonville. He was a part of a lot of the projects for the Town of Eatonville, we need to get someone in this office as soon as possible, there are things going on that the board members do not know about. Chairman Daniels asked Chairman Washington, if this doesn't pass, will this go back out for advertisement, and are past Directors still included for hire? Chairman Washington stated that if they put in an application, but I don't support that. Director Hopkins asked about the letter of recommendations that were not included in the agenda packet. Director Sconions states she does not agree with the (6) months as included in the Consultant Agreement, we need a CRA Director, if I would agree with this, it would be for (120) days, I would not agree to the salary I would look at the salary of maybe \$3,000 a month coming from the CRA. My other concern is, the termination clause, it should be **(30)** day notice. I would consider Mr. Johnson for (120) days, with a \$3,000 salary, and a (30) day out. Director Cole stated that if Mr. Johnson

Director Gardner- NO REPORT

Chairman Washington- own CRA Agenda Books, budgets and bylaws policies and procedures during CRA Meetings will speak with staff.

ATTORNEY JACKSON- NO REPORT

Citizens Comments- MICHELLE FORT- pre-application meeting help the board, staff and applicant with the process.

7. ADJOURNMENT- Meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY

Cathlene Williams, Town Clerk