

**CRA Advisory Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
Wednesday, August 19, 2015**

**Called to Order:** Plythe Freedman, Chair

**Roll Call:** Plythe Freedman, Chair

**Approval of Minutes**

- ✚ 1<sup>st</sup> Robin Delgado, 2<sup>nd</sup> Charlie Frank-Matthews
- ✚ All In Favor, None Opposed

**Item 7 – Staff Comments**

- ✚ Update given for Tier 1, 2, 3, and 4 Recommendations
- ✚ Re-Advertised 505 N. 7<sup>th</sup> Street
- ✚ Seeking realtor services, bids due September 7<sup>th</sup>
- ✚ Lincoln Park Council of Ministers asked that we table their proposal until further notice
  - Motion: To deny verbal request to table proposal, and await a written request. – C. Matthews
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> – John Hopkins
- ✚ All In Favor, None Opposed

**Old Business**

**Item 4a – RFP Committee Rankings**

- ✚ Ranking sheet provided
- ✚ Ranking categories include: Proposal Overview, Professional Qualifications, Resident & Visitor Access Plan, Historic Preservation/ Environmental Sensitivity, Vision for the City of Fort Pierce, and Locality Rating
- ✚ Each member will score groups subjectively, and then a cumulative average will be taken, and that will be submitted to the board
- ✚ The Old Post Office is a Nationally designated historical site, and just needs access to others for historical viewing
- ✚ Locality rating is local preference:
  - If office is head-quartered in Fort Pierce, group receives 15 points
  - If office is head-quartered in the four county area, group receives 10 points
  - If satellite office is in the four county area, group receives 5 points
  - If office is in the state of Florida, group receives 1 point
  - If office is not located in Florida, group receives 0 points

## **Item 8 – Committee Member Comments**

- ✚ Al Johnson has been appointed to the board and will be formally placed on the board September 21<sup>st</sup>
- ✚ Is it possible to get a banner on the King's Inn building to make it more visible from US1 – R. Delgado
  - Need to report to FPRA that it will cost more to demolish the building than what the building is actually worth

## **Item 4a – RFP Committee Rankings (Revisited)**

- ✚ Based upon the 5 score cards:
  - Beachside Wellness – 75.8
  - Peacock Galleries – 72.4
  - International Enterprises in Children Services – 33.4
- ✚ Ashley came in late, but since rankings is in the same order the committee scored it will be included so the numbers will change but the order will remain the same
- ✚ Beachside Wellness had the best presentation, but not the best plan and a low offering price – J. Hopkins
- ✚ Both Beachside Wellness and Peacock Galleries offered cash subsidies, but one was offering to build offices for other businesses to rent – R. Delgado
- ✚ Typical procedure would be to request authorization to go into negotiation with the highest ranked bidder
- ✚ Just because there is a high ranking does not mean that we have to recommend any of these groups – P. Freedman
- ✚ Motion: Not to recommend any of the proposals. – J. Hopkins
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> – C. Matthews
  - 4 In Favor, 2 Opposed
- ✚ Ranking sheets and all information will be submitted to the City Commission
- ✚ Motion: Not to recommend any of the proposals. The City will accept the scoring sheets as is, but with the proviso that the purchase price be at or above appraised value. – J. Hopkins
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> – Erica Klever
  - 5 In Favor, 1 Opposed

## **Item 8 – Committee Member Comments (Revisited)**

- ✚ Plythe Gibbons is now Plythe Freedman
- ✚ Erica Ganzi is now Erica Klever

## **Item 6 – Public Comments**

- ✚ Lincoln Park Council of Ministers represented that they had the permission of 2 commissioners, owned the property, and had community support, but none of this is true
- ✚ LPCM should take the Memorial Garden to Veterans Park or the cemetery