

CRA Committee Meeting

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, May 18, 2016

Called to Order: Plythe Freedman, Chairman

Roll Call By:

- ✚ Present: Plythe Freedman, John Hopkins, Michael Brown (Late), Charlie Frank-Matthews, Cindy O'Connell, Al Johnson, Hoyt Murphy, Ashley King (Late)

Approval of Minutes

- ✚ For March 16, 2016
 - 1st – Pat Murphy ; 2nd –Charlie Frank-Matthews
 - All in favor, no opposes
- ✚ For April 20, 2016
 - 1st – Charlie Frank – Matthews, 2nd – Cindy O'Connell
 - All in favor, no opposes

Chairman Comments

- ✚ Purpose of the CRA

New Business

Item 5a – Update on HD King Plant Site Remediation

- ✚ Entering 3rd and final phase of remediation
- ✚ So far have taking out 1,000yards
- ✚ Taken out about 6,000 tons of material and about 4,000 yards left to do
- ✚ Construction should be completed in July
- ✚ Looking to have all reports to DEP by November and to be in residential standard by the end of the year
- ✚ Part of Cardno plan is to design the build of the seawall
- ✚ Next step is to have a contractor come with a not-to exceed price
- ✚ Plan to heighten the seawall by about 1 ½ feet
- ✚ On the northeast side is the main lift station for the city
- ✚ Cardno looking to extend Moore's Creek Linear Park and connect it to Avenue A
- ✚ FEC is looking to sell portion of land to connect from Avenue A up to the creek
- ✚ \$850, 000 in total loan amount
 - No real out-of-pocket cost to the city

Item 5b – Veteran's Park Improvements

- ✚ Have 44 acre drainage base with 2 outfalls to Indian River with no water treatment
- ✚ 2-Part Project
 - Improvement to Veteran's Park
 - Storm water improvement
- ✚ Rerouted 2 outfalls to the 2 lakes that were recently dug
- ✚ Have bio-swells to retain water with plants to purify the water

- # Raised speed table (found in plan) has not been permitted nor funded as of yet, but is designed to slow cars down by about 5 – 10 miles
- # Will have lighted fountains, pervious pavers, etc.
- # Did have to remove 2 oak trees, but will plant others
- # When finished it will be able to handle heavy rain storms
- # Has 93 parking spaces with area for over-flow parking
- # Lately the city has been having monthly meetings with the veterans group
- # Memorial will have flags, wall with names, and 8 benches specific with the branch of service
- # City currently renting at Avenue D and Indian River Drive for parking, but land is up for sale now
- # Have \$2.1 million in funding for the project
- # The project was put together first, and then funding was found

Item 5c – Update on Murals and Mural Registry

- # Want to establish a mural artist registry
- # Sent invitations to 114 artist
 - 19 asked for specifications, 6 responded, and 1 no bid
- # Wanted a mural artist registry of about 6 artist to put murals on buildings in historic areas
 - Have 5 so far
- # 464 N. 9th Street on the east side
 - Will have a contract between the city and the property owner
- # Part of creative place making
- # Avenue A and 2nd Street mural replacement on the old JC Penny building
- # As time goes by we'll be able to open it up to more artist

Item 5d – Update from Parking Committee

- # Approved agreement to lease the Jetty View property immediately adjacent to the Square Grouper
 - Has about 100 spaces
- # Looking for space for a parking garage in the beach area
- # Other businesses in the Jetty area helping with the cost of the parking lot and the lease
- # June 29th at 9am – Parking Workshop
 - Presenting parking strategies for downtown & Jetty area

Item 6 – Public Comments

- # Comment from Jim Flan
- # Comment from Clyde Preston of the Salvation Army
 - Recommendation presented at the next FPRA meeting in July
- # Comment from Hampton Jackson
 - June 9th Realtor's Tour Night at the City office
 - Will have a trolley available
 - Will begin listing properties by the end of the month no later than June 1st

Item 7 – Staff Comments

- ✚ Tourism Showcase at Fenn Center next Friday

Item 8 – Committee Member Comments

- ✚ Filling the extra seat on the board – C. Frank-Matthews
 - There are 2 applications going to the FPRA board next meeting
- ✚ Use the grant writer to possibly get a grant for the vacant building in the parking garage – C. Frank-Matthews
 - Will be opened at the Realtor's Tour

Meeting Adjourned