

Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency

DRAFT Comprehensive Goals (Day to Day Redevelopment Agency Operations)

NOTES: The following notes are for use when reviewing the DRAFT GOPs.

Labels in parenthesis represent a specific neighborhood groups' priorities, concerns, or issues that are addressed by the associated Goal, Objective or Policy. (FS) label represents Florida Statute required component of Community Redevelopment Plans and/or Redevelopment Agency Administrative legal responsibilities regarding the administration of the Redevelopment Agency. Labels in parenthesis are for review purposes and will not be placed in the final document.

(Labels in parenthesis: **DT=Downtown**; **LP/PAD=Lincoln Park/Peacock Arts District**; **FW/P=Fisherman's Wharf/Port**; **SB=South Beachside**; **FS=Florida Statutes**)

Specific proposed Capital Investment projects are under development and are not included in this document.

ADMINISTRATION

Goal: The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency will maintain the requisite administrative and financial mechanisms to ensure the continued cost-effective operations of the Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency.

Policies:

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall continue to utilize funding derived from tax increment fund revenues and other sources where appropriate, to fund capital improvements, programs and activities identified in the Community Redevelopment Plan. **(FS)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall coordinate with the City Manager's Office, Planning Department, and Finance Department to develop cost effective, annual budgets and annual work programs that will provide administrative and operational support for Community Redevelopment Agency activities. **(FS)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall provide a copy of the Agency's Annual Budget to the Clerk of the St. Lucie Board of County Commissioners within ten (10) days after its formal adoption by the City. **(FS)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall administer and coordinate the implementation of Fort Pierce community redevelopment plan with Municipal, County and Regional redevelopment objectives. **(FS)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency will maintain a current digital map of the Community Redevelopment Area boundaries on the Community Redevelopment Agency's website. **(FS)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency staff shall attend community redevelopment training, ethics and professional development courses as may be offered by the Florida Redevelopment Association, Florida League of Cities and/or other professional development and training providers. **(FS)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency Governing Board members shall attend community redevelopment training, ethics and professional development courses as may be offered by the Florida Redevelopment Association, Florida League of Cities and/or other professional development and training providers. **(FS)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency staff shall schedule and hold quarterly Redevelopment Plan Implementation status meetings and briefings with St. Lucie County Board of County Commissioners District representative Commissioner(s) and County planning and community development staff.

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency staff shall schedule and hold quarterly Redevelopment Plan Implementation status meetings and briefings with St. Lucie Transportation Planning Organization (TPO) representatives.

Projects/Activities

- Post digital map of CRA boundaries on-line
- Host and Facilitate quarterly Redevelopment Plan Implementation Meetings with St. Lucie County staff and representative District Commissioner(s) (2020-2025)
- Initiate reciprocal “Meeting Notifications” –invitations- to St. Lucie County Transportation Planning Organization (TPO), and St. Lucie County Planning and Economic Development Staff regarding Fort Redevelopment Agency Board Meetings (2020-2025)
- Register Fort Redevelopment Agency Board Members to attend CRA Basics 101 Training Course provided by the Florida Redevelopment Association (FRA) (2020-2025)
- Register Fort Redevelopment Agency Board Members to attend Public Office/CRA Ethics Training Course provided by the Florida League of Cities (FLC) (2020-2025)

Goal: The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall adhere to Annual Reporting, Audits and other Special District reporting requirements as prescribed by the Florida Statutes.

Policies:

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency and its operations shall be reviewed and audited, annually as part of City of Fort Pierce’s Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR). **(FS)**

Information from the CAFR shall be incorporated into the Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency’s Annual Report documents. **(FS)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall distribute copies of the Redevelopment Agency’s Annual Report and CRA Related portions of the City’s Annual CAFR to the Clerk of the St. Lucie County Board of County Commissioners on or before March 31 of each year and post the Annual Report on the FPRA website. **(FS)**

Projects/Activities

- Community Redevelopment Agency audited as part of City CAFR
- Community Redevelopment Agency Annual Report
- Distribution of CRA Annual Report and Audit to St. Lucie County Clerk and posting on-line

Goal: The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall identify community stakeholders and partners to assist in the implementation of the Redevelopment Plan Goals, Objectives and Projects.

Policies:

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall utilize public-private partnerships, interagency and interlocal agreements where applicable and in accordance with *Florida Statutes*, to facilitate the implementation of the Community Redevelopment Plan. (LP/PAD; SB; FS)

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall contract with professional firms or organizations to implement specific Goals, Objectives and Projects in accordance with Florida Statute requirements and relevant determinations from the Florida Attorney General’s Office. (FS)

Goal: The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall evaluate opportunities for site and facility acquisition to implement the Goals, Policies and Projects of the Fort Pierce Community Redevelopment Plan.

Policies:

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall utilize public-private partnerships, interagency and interlocal agreements where applicable and in accordance with *Florida Statutes*, to enable the acquisition of sites and facilities needed to implement the Community Redevelopment Plan. (FW/P; SB; FS)

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall contract with professional firms or organizations to enable the acquisition of sites and facilities, in accordance with *Florida Statutes*, to implement specific Goals, Objectives and Projects contained in the Community Redevelopment Plan. (FS)

HOUSING

Goal: Diversify housing, improve substandard housing and provide a mix of above and below-market rate housing. (FS)

Policies:

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall identify and create a GIS database of all vacant parcels and City-owned parcels within the CRA that may be redeveloped for housing or mixed-use development.

The Fort Pierce CRA shall identify all lots and parcels within the CRA that are not in conformance with minimal lot size standards and identify immediate opportunities for

aggregation of substandard lots into parcels that conform with the City's current land development regulations. **(LP/PAD)**

The Fort Pierce CRA shall coordinate with local residential home developers, and home ownership agencies (i.e., Habitat for Humanity, etc.) to distribute vacant parcel and substandard lot sized parcel data to encourage agencies use of vacant and undersized parcels. **(LP/PAD)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall evaluate potential public-private redevelopment programming, partnerships and other legal mechanisms to assist in the development of residential housing stock.

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall identify potential residential opportunity sites for acquisition within the CRA and initiate discussions with property owners to determine potential availability of sites. **(DT)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall explore available funding sources for affordable, workforce and senior housing development within the CRA (National Housing Trust Fund, Community Development Block Grant Program, Veterans Housing Funding Program, HOME Investments Partnerships Program, National Housing Trust Fund, etc.). **(LP/PAD)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall evaluate for implementation additional residential improvement programming (for home-owners in the CRA) and additional home purchase assistance (i.e., down payment assistance, closing cost assistance) programming (for those seeking to purchase and own a home in the CRA). **(LP/PAD)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall establish a quarterly legal education services outreach program for residents within the redevelopment area to provide legal education and counseling regarding title clearing options, resources and services and home purchasing processes. **(LP/PAD)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall evaluate for implementation the potential use of Tax Increment Fund rebates/recapture programs to encourage the purchase and occupancy of single-family residences by City and County employees, City and County public-safety employees and City and County Law Enforcement employees. **(LP/PAD)**

The Fort Pierce CRA shall establish a residential improvement and stabilization grant program to provide funding to encourage redevelopment and repair of owner-occupied single family residential structures within the CRA. **(LP/PAD)**

Projects/Activities

- CRA to prepare map and database of all vacant and City-owned sites in CRA. (2020).
- CRA Staff shall initiate quarterly “legal assistance workshops” with local attorneys for residents within the CRA to provide pro-bono guidance and counseling regarding legal issues associated with home ownership, sales, clearing titles, applying for and receiving home-ownership loans, transference of titles, etc. (2020-2025).
- Establish a residential incentive program (tax increment rebate of renovation /rehab improvements over 10 years) to encourage redevelopment of single-family, owner occupied housing units. (2020-2025)
- Develop nonconforming lot-size inventory of parcels. (2020-2022)
- Staff shall prepare an annual application for CDBG funds to assist with capital programming and residential housing development. (2020-2025).

Goal: Support affordable alternatives to the area’s traditional single-family housing stock

Policies:

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall encourage the Fort Pierce’s Planning Department to permit innovative forms of housing within the City’s Unified Land Development Code (ULDC), such as ‘granny flats’, tiny homes and apartments, and clustered housing within the Fort Pierce Redevelopment Area boundaries. **(LP/PAD; DT)**

The Fort Pierce Planning Department and the Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall examine the applicability of revising residential lot dimensional guidelines and variance procedures for “undersized” and constrained parcels and evaluating increased residential densities in appropriate areas of the Lincoln Park/Peacock Arts District and other areas within the redevelopment area. **(LP/PAD; DT)**

The Fort Pierce CRA shall continue to collaborate with local agencies (such as Habitat for Humanity) and faith-based providers to identify sites for new single-family development within the CRA boundaries.

Identify and contact non-profit or faith-based housing developing organizations, especially those with experience in developing affordable housing in low-income communities, to initiate discussions on potential multi-family housing development opportunities and partnerships. **(LP/PAD)**

Support the construction of “Missing Middle” housing projects, such as duplexes, triplexes, fourplexes, bungalows, and small-scale apartments to increase the diversity of the area’s housing products and price points. **(LP/PAD; DT)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall explore incentive programs for potential implementation to encourage the development of multi-family apartments adjacent, or within

proximity to, the downtown district, marina and City and County Government facilities within the redevelopment area. (FW/P; DT)

Identify potential sites and service providers to secure housing for the area’s vulnerable populations in need of daily care, such as independent living units, assisted and skilled nursing facilities, and nursing homes. (LP/PAD; FW/P; DT)

Projects/Activities

- CRA to prepare zoning overlay for targeted areas of Lincoln Park and Peacock Arts Districts to accommodate and encourage innovative single-family home development.
- Prepare an inventory of local agencies, developers and faith-based groups that develop single-family and multi-family residential products
- Prepare an inventory of potential sites/facilities that may accommodate vulnerable populations in need of daily care.
- Prepare an inventory of service providers and agencies that serve vulnerable populations in need of daily care.
- Initiate cooperative discussions with service providers to implement programming to support vulnerable populations.

Economic Development

Goal: Increase Private Sector Investment and Business Development within the Community Redevelopment Area.

Policies:

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall evaluate additional regulatory and financial incentives for potential implementation to encourage private sector investment and business development within the Redevelopment Area. Regulatory incentive examples may include, but are not limited to, reduced/eliminated parking requirements; reduced open space requirements and increased building heights in appropriate areas. Financial incentives may include but are not limited to: tax-increment recapture programs; tax abatement programs; and rental subsidies for targeted businesses. (LP/PAD;FW/P; DT)

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall support the redevelopment of the former H.D. King Power site and other targeted redevelopment sites within the community redevelopment area. (LP/PAD; FW/P; DT)

Goal: Activate the Waterfront and Fisherman’s Wharf Area with Supportive uses and Amenities

Policy:

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall coordinate with the St. Lucie County Economic Development Commission and provide information regarding available sites and facilities that may accommodate water based industries and their supporting industries and businesses for potential business recruitment and relocation activities. (FW/P; DT; SB)

Goal: Support Small Businesses, Start-Up businesses and support Entrepreneurial Activity within the Redevelopment Area

Policies:

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall coordinate with the St. Lucie County Economic Development Commission and provide information regarding available sites and facilities that may accommodate target industry (i.e., AgTech/Nutraceuticals; Manufacturing; Aviation/ Marine/Composite Materials; Information Technology/Educational Services; Distribution/Logistics; and, Life Sciences) development. (FW/P; DT; SB)

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency will support the Lincoln Park Job Fair and other jobs fair, business recruitment activities that are targeted to residents and businesses located within the Redevelopment Area. (LP/PAD)

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall act as a resource for new minority-owned and operated startups seeking public and private grant opportunities, training, and partnerships with other agencies (i.e., Small Business Development Center). (LP/PAD)

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency will facilitate and support quarterly entrepreneurial education and small business training programs with the ST. Lucie EDC (<https://youredc.com/>) ; the Small Business Development Center (<http://www.irscbiz.com/>); the US Small Business Administration (<http://www.sba.gov/fl/south>); the Corporate Community Training Institute (<http://www.irscbiz.com/>); the Dan K. Richardson Entrepreneurship Development Institute (<http://www.irscbiz.com/>); the Black Business Investment Fund (<http://bbiflorida.com/>) and the Florida Virtual Entrepreneur Center (<https://flvec.com/>) for residents, business owners and operators within the CRA. (LP/PAD)

Goal: Enhance Redevelopment Agency’s community presence; increase community awareness and develop the area as a regional destination

Policies:

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall maintain and keep current its social media presence as part of its annual operational and administrative activities. **(FW/P)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency and the City will evaluate options and alternatives and determine a brand (i.e., “Peacock Arts District”, “Home to the Highwaymen”, “Where Businesses Grow”) to distinguish the Fort Pierce Redevelopment agency and redevelopment area from the greater St. Lucie County. **(FW/P)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency and the City will host a workshop/meeting with local business owners to devise a cohesive marketing strategy for businesses and events in line with the brand. **(FW/P)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency will use the “brand” to develop unique features in the Community Redevelopment Area (wayfinding signs, paver patterns/styles, shade structures, transit stops, amenities, etc.) and incorporate these items into the built environment. **(FW/P)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency will disseminate information about programs and events on the City’s website and social media platforms. **(FW/P; FS)**

Projects/Activities

- Host and Facilitate “Branding/Marketing” Workshop with local business owners, artists and merchants (2019/2020)
- Develop and Refine Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency Brand (2019/2020)
- Utilize new “Brand/Images” in updated print materials detailing Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency available programs and services (2020)
- Fort Pierce Redevelopment Area Wayfinding Master Plan (2022)

COMMUNITY AND CULTURE

Goal: The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Area will become well known for its Arts and Cultural activities, amenities and events.

Policies:

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall coordinate with local artists and arts groups regarding events, activities and performances within the Community Redevelopment Area. **(LP/PAD)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall continue to support the Sunrise Theatre; Lincoln Theatre and other current and potential entertainment venues within the redevelopment area. **(LP/PAD)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency will support the development of public art, art related development, and art related activities and events within the Community Redevelopment Area. **(LP/PAD)**

Goal: The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency Shall enhance and develop the Peacock Arts District

Policies:

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall evaluate and identify for potential acquisition, restoration and redevelopment, abandoned and/or historically significant structures for potential re-use as community centers, event or performance spaces, rentable commercial kitchen and/or shared work space. **(LP/PAD)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall coordinate with the Fort Pierce Planning Department to development land development regulations that enable and encourage the reuse of commercial, retail and office space within the Peacock Arts District for artists' studios, art galleries, performing art venues and restaurants. Potential revisions to the land development regulations may include but are not limited to: expanding the types of uses allowed, reduced parking requirements, enabling pop-up displays, markets, etc. **(LP/PAD)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall coordinate with the representatives of Lincoln Park Neighborhood Association and the Peacock Arts District to evaluate for implementation a resident artists program to encourage artists to live and create art within the Peacock Arts District. Program features may include: rental assistance; development or renting of shared, co-operative spaces and development of artist's incubators and development of artists' galleries and performance spaces within the Peacock Arts District. **(LP/PAD)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall continue to support the Zora Neal Hurston Trail and the Highwaymen Heritage Trail cultural activities. **(LP/PAD)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall evaluate opportunities to utilize and improve City-owned sites, facilities and public spaces to accommodate and encourage outdoor events, activities, performances and festivals. **(LP/PAD)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall support events that promote investment and economic activity within the redevelopment area through local arts, talents, cuisines, traditions, craftsmanship, knowledge, interests, languages, and any other forms of cultural heritage. **(LP/PAD)**

Goal: The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall celebrate and support the City’s historic preservation and heritage activities within the Redevelopment District.

Policies:

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall evaluate and identify potentially qualify historic structures and present the findings to the Fort Pierce Historic Preservation Board for potential participation in the Historic Preservation Tax Exemption program administered by the. **(LP/PAD)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall evaluate and identify existing historic structures for potential designation and participation in the City’s Historic Preservation programs.

Goal: The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall support the law enforcement and social service providers that are located within the Community Redevelopment Area and that serve residents of the Community Redevelopment Area.

Policies:

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall coordinate with social service providers located in the Community Redevelopment Area (i.e., Boys and Girls Club of St. Lucie, Lincoln Park Head Start, Career Source; etc.) regarding events, activities and potential use of City facilities within the Community Redevelopment Area. **(LP/PAD)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency will continue to support Community Oriented Police programs and operations within the Community Redevelopment Area. **(LP/PAD)**

INFRASTRUCTURE

Goal: Connect the Redevelopment Districts’ Cultural and Artistic Hubs (Downtown, Marina, Fisherman’s’ Wharf, Beachside District, Lincoln Park and Peacock Arts Districts) to the Waterfront’s Artistic and Cultural Amenities.

Policy:

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency will coordinate with the City’s Public Works Department to prioritize and implement multi-purpose paths, bike-lanes, sidewalk and other connections and improvements to provide safe, lighted, pedestrian and non-automobile connections to and between the Downtown Historic Districts, the Lincoln Park and Peacock Arts Districts, the Waterfront and Fisherman’s’ Wharf Districts and the Beachside District of the Fort Pierce Redevelopment Area. (LP/PAD; FW/P; DT; SB)

Goal: The Agency shall evaluate and prioritize streetscaping and pedestrian safety improvement opportunities throughout the Community Redevelopment Area.

Policies:

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall coordinate with the City’s Public Works Department to prioritize the implementation potential streetscape improvements, trail connections and new sidewalk connections and improvements to existing pedestrian ways and paths presented in the Community Redevelopment Plan for inclusion in the Redevelopment Agency’s Annual Work Plan and Budget. (LP/PAD; FW/P; DT; SB)

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall coordinate with the City’s Public Works Department to identify, evaluate and prioritize potential locations for streetscape updates, new sidewalk connections and improvements to existing pedestrian ways and paths for inclusion in the Community Redevelopment Agency’s Annual Work Plan and Budget. (LP/PAD;FW/P; DT;SB)

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall, contingent on the availability of funding sources, include at least one streetscape, sidewalk or neighborhood connection improvement project in each years’ CRA Annual Work Plan.

Goal: The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency will give priority to infrastructure improvements and amenity installation that will facilitate new projects development within the Community Redevelopment Area.

Policies:

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency will evaluate using TIF funds (reinvesting) generated from specific projects to facilitate the accelerated installation of improvements or amenities

that will mitigate the projects' potential impacts and/or enable the realization of CRA Plan redevelopment objectives. (FW/P; DT; SB)

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency will coordinate with the City's Public Works Department to evaluate and support the potential relocation of the Fort Pierce Wastewater Treatment Plant currently located on Hutchinson Island. (SB)

Goal: The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall assist the City to provide utility and infrastructure improvements that support public events and outdoor activities within the CRA.

Policies:

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall consider using accessible, "festival street", designs and improvements, where appropriate, when designing and constructing streetscape improvements or retrofits. (LP/PAD; FW/P; DT; SB)

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall incorporate special event power conduit boxes (outlet boxes), when evaluating potential streetscape improvements and light pole retrofits or replacements. (LP/PAD; FW/P; DT; SB)

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency will evaluate and support the improvement and management of public parking facilities in the South Beach district and other districts of the Redevelopment to accommodate special events and outdoor activities. (SB)

Goal: The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall support the City's efforts to address stormwater issues and localized flooding within the Community Redevelopment Area. (FS)

Policies:

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall include stormwater system improvements when designing and constructing streetscape improvements, retrofits and other public improvements. (FW/P; SB)

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall coordinate with the Public Works Department and the Southwest Florida Water Management District to identify and prioritize potential stormwater improvements for inclusion in the Redevelopment Agency's Annual Work Plan and Budget. (FW/P; SB)

PUBLIC SPACES/AMENITIES

Goal: The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall evaluate and identify opportunities to incorporate additional amenities within public spaces and City-owned spaces within the Community Redevelopment Area.

Policies:

Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency Staff shall create an inventory and map of all public spaces, City-owned spaces, canals and park facilities within the CRA. **(SB)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall evaluate and identify opportunities, including land acquisition, acquisition and demolition of derelict structures to create additional green spaces and open spaces within the Community Redevelopment Area. **(LP/PAD)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall coordinate with the Southwest Florida Water Management District to identify opportunities to utilize right-of-way adjacent to water control canals and other facilities for potential use as components of a regional bicycle trails network. **(LP/PAD; FW/P; SB)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency will coordinate with the Public Works Department to support improvements and upgrades to the Museum Pointe Park and other parks located within the Redevelopment Area. **(SB)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency will coordinate with the Public Works Department to support improvements and upgrades to the amenities that serve the Fisherman’s Wharf and Port areas. **(FW/P)**

Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency Staff shall prepare an inventory and location map of existing pedestrian (benches, shade-stops, water fountains, restrooms, etc.) and bicycle amenities (paths/ trails/route signage, bicycle racks, repair/air/tool facilities) within all public spaces, City owned spaces and park facilities within the CRA. **(FW/P; DT; SB)**

Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency staff shall include placemaking projects and FPRA funded amenities maintenance within its annual work plan. **(LP/PAD; FW/P; SB)**

ACTIVITY/PROJECT:

- Agency Staff will create an inventory and map of all public spaces, City-owned parcels, underutilized, vacant, community spaces, parks and facilities within the CRA boundaries that may be potentially utilized as additional recreational, cultural or public amenities.

- Agency Staff shall bi-annually coordinate with Public Works Department to identify and prioritize Park and Recreational improvements within the Redevelopment Area for inclusion in the Annual Work Plan and Budget.

Goal: The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall support the potential expansion of the Moore’s Creek linear park utilizing public and City-owned spaces within the Community Redevelopment Area.

Policies:

The Fort Pierce redevelopment Agency shall identify public and City-owned spaces along Moore’s Creek, west of 15th Street, within the Community Redevelopment Area, for potential acquisition and inclusion in an expanded Moore’s Creek Park. **(LP/PAD)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall evaluate additional State, regional and national grant and funding programs (FRDAP, FCT, LWCF, RTP, etc.) to facilitate the acquisition of land and development of an extended Moore’s Creek linear park. **(LP/PAD)**

PUBLIC SAFETY & HEALTH

Goal: The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall identify and demolish decrepit/unsound structures which contribute to blight and pose safety and health risks. (FS)

Policy:

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall coordinate with the Fort Pierce Code Enforcement, the Public Works Department and the Fort Pierce Police Department to review the decrepit and unsafe structure inventory to identify structures for demolition. **(LP/PAD)**

Goal: Improve public safety and perception of safety within Fort Pierce Redevelopment Area. (FS)

Policies:

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall support Community Oriented Policing programs. **(LP/PAD)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall evaluate public safety improvements for applicability within the Community Redevelopment Area including but not limited to: additional street lighting, on-demand flashing pedestrian crosswalks (i.e., HAWK beacons, or other Pedestrian Hybrid Beacons) and emergency call-boxes. **(LP/PAD; SB)**

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency, contingent upon available funding, shall include a line item for public safety improvements in the Community Redevelopment Agency’s Annual Work Plan and Budget. (LP/PAD; SB)

Goal: The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall reduce occurrence of illegal dumping, littering, abandoned vehicles and other visible blight and health hazards within the Community Redevelopment Area. (FS)

Policies:

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall coordinate with the Fort Pierce Code Enforcement and the Fort Pierce Police Department to identify and address cases of illegal dumping, littering, storage and abandoned vehicles in the residential and non-residential areas within the Community Redevelopment Area. (LP/PAD)

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall include a line item, contingent upon available funding, to address the clearance of illegal dumping, litter, and abandoned vehicles in the Community Redevelopment Agency’s Annual Work Plan and Budget. (LP/PAD)

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency in conjunction with other public and private agencies shall continue to support “Neighborhood Clean-Up” days/events within the Fort Pierce Redevelopment Area. (LP/PAD)

REGULATORY ENVIRONMENT

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency shall coordinate with the City’s Planning Department to evaluate current development regulations and identify potential revisions to applicable regulatory documents deemed necessary to implement the Community Redevelopment Plan.

Policies:

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency, in coordination with the City’s Planning Department shall evaluate the applicability of a zoning overlay(s) to facilitate redevelopment in targeted areas while protecting established neighborhoods within the Community Redevelopment Area. (FW/P; DT)

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency will encourage higher density residential development and higher intensity non-residential development at targeted locations within the Community Redevelopment Area (i.e., Downtown District, Peacock Arts District, near major transit corridors, and employment centers) within the Community Redevelopment Area. (LP/PAD; FW/P; DT)

The Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency, in coordination with the City’s Planning Department, will evaluate potential regulatory revisions (Comprehensive Plan, Land Development Code, etc.) needed to enable and encourage the redevelopment of residential and non-residential targeted sites and areas within the Community Redevelopment Area (i.e., Lincoln Park Neighborhood, Peacock Arts District, Downtown District and South Beach District, commercial corridors, Avenue D and current/former industrial areas, etc.). (LP/PAD; FW/P; DT; SB)

Agency Staff shall bi-annually coordinate with Public Works Department to identify and prioritize Park and Recreational improvements within the Redevelopment Area for inclusion in the Annual Work Plan and Budget.