

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE FORT PIERCE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, HELD IN THE CITY HALL COMMISSION CHAMBERS, 100 NORTH U.S. #1, FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, AT 5:05 P.M. ON TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2023.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Linda Hudson called the May 09, 2023, Regular Meeting of the FPRA to order at 5:05 P.M.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. ROLL CALL**

Present: Chairperson Linda Hudson; Commissioner Arnold Gaines; Commissioner Michael Broderick; Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson; Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr.

Staff Present: City Clerk Linda Cox  
City Manager Nicholas Mimms  
City Attorney Tanya Earley

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**5. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Any person who wishes to comment on any subject on this agenda may be heard at this time. Please limit your comments to three (3) minutes or less, as directed by the Chairperson, as this section of the Agenda is limited to fifteen minutes. The FPRA Board will not be able to take any official actions under Comments from the Public. Speakers will address the Chairperson, Commissioners, and the Public with respect. Inappropriate language will not be tolerated.

Darryl Bey  
Gus Gutierrez

**6. CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. Approval of Contract with Journey C&D Group, Inc. to provide contractor services for the Florida Highwaymen Museum & African-American Culture Project

Motion was made by Commissioner Michael Broderick, seconded by Commissioner Arnold Gaines to approve the Consent Agenda.

AYE: Chairperson Linda Hudson, Commissioner Arnold Gaines, Commissioner Michael Broderick, Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson, Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr.

Passed

**7. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Incubate Neighborhood Center Project Update

Canieria Gardner, Chief Executive Officer for Incubate Neighborhood Center, provided an update for the Incubate Neighborhood Center Project and addressed questions posed by the Board.

b. The Root Update

Chasity Carrey from Lincoln Park Young Professionals along with Erin O'Brien from Remnant Construction, provided a construction update and answered questions raised by the Board regarding The Root Project.

c. JCPenney Parking Lot Improvements

City Engineer Jack Andrews presented JCPenney Parking Lot Improvements and responded to questions expressed by the Board.

The Board discussed the details of the parking options presented and expressed the need for the parking lot to be improved.

Motion was made by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr., seconded by Commissioner Arnold Gaines to move forward with option one, angled parking.

AYE: Chairperson Linda Hudson, Commissioner Arnold Gaines, Commissioner Michael Broderick, Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson, Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr.

Passed

d. Award RFP 2023-010 for Comprehensive Wayfinding Program and authorize staff to enter negotiations with the highest ranked respondent, Don Bell Signs, Inc.

Shyanne Harnage, Economic Development Manager, presented the Comprehensive Wayfinding Program and addressed questions from the Board regarding the highest ranked respondent.

Motion was made by Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Arnold Gaines to enter negotiations with the highest ranked respondent, Don Bell Signs, Inc.

AYE: Chairperson Linda Hudson, Commissioner Arnold Gaines, Commissioner Michael Broderick, Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson, Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr.

Passed

**8. STAFF COMMENTS**

a. Email from James Goertler expressing his appreciation with Redevelopment Specialist, Miriam Garcia, for her help with the Paint Program.

b. FPRA Programs & Activities Summary

Nick Mimms, City Manager, gave an update regarding the beautification project of the Orange Avenue Post Office. Mr. Mimms indicated that staff would cease all efforts in this project due to Postal Service's Policy, which prohibits monetary donations.

**9. BOARD COMMENTS**

City Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson expressed gratitude to the Board for the collaboration regarding the JCPenny Parking Lot.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

Chairperson Hudson adjourned the meeting at 6:36 p.m.

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK

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CHAIRPERSON