

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, FEBRUARY 13, 2024.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Linda Hudson called the February 13, 2024, FPRA Regular Meeting 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 Sara Hedges

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Approval of Minutes from December 12, 2023.

Motion was made by Commissioner Michael Broderick, seconded by Commissioner Arnold Gaines to approve the minutes from the December 12, 2023 regular meeting.

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

Passed

5. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion was made by Commissioner Arnold Gaines, seconded by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr. to approve the agenda as set.

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

Passed

6. 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.

No comments.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of the Grant Agreement for Commercial Facade improvement for 215 N 2nd St.- Gloria Roa Bodin, P.A.
- b. Approval of the Grant Agreement for Commercial Facade improvement for 701 Atlantic Avenue - Michael D'Addesi
- c. Approval of the Grant Agreement for Commercial Facade improvement for 710 Orange Avenue - Botanical Sanctuary, LLC
- d. Approval of the Grant Agreement for Commercial Facade improvement for 500 Orange Avenue for 4616 Investment LLC.
- e. Approval of the Interlocal Agreement to manage a Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Public Transportation Grant Agreement for the City of Fort Pierce between St. Lucie County and the Fort Pierce Redevelopment Agency

Motion was made by Commissioner Jeremiah Johnson, 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

Chairperson Linda Hudson acknowledged the presence of a member from St. Lucie County and expressed her joy about the Interlocal Agreement being passed.

8. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Review of Commercial Facade Grant Application - 2203 Orange Avenue - Ft Pierce Police Athletic League Inc DBA St. Lucie Sheriff's PAL

Miriam Garcia, Redevelopment Specialist, presented the review of the Commercial Façade Grant Application for Ft Pierce Police Athletic League Inc., DBA St. Lucie Sheriff's PAL, and answered questions from the board such as the material of the structure and the amounts awarded to the previous Commercial Façade applicants.

During the meeting, the Board emphasized the importance of extending the benefits of the program to more businesses, especially those in the Orange Avenue corridor.

Motion was made by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr., seconded by Commissioner Michael Broderick to award \$15,000 to Fort Pierce Police Athletic League Inc. DBA St. Lucie Sheriff's PAL located at 2203 Orange Avenue.

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

NAY: Commissioner Arnold Gaines

Passed

- b. Request for Commercial Facade Grant extension of 809 Delaware Avenue by Dean Properties, LLC; deadline for completion of the project is February 26, 2024.

Darryl Bey, Dean Properties, LLC, expressed the need for an extension until June 30, 2024, to complete the facade grant project located at 809 Delaware Avenue.

Motion was made by Commissioner Michael Broderick, seconded by Commissioner Arnold Gaines to approve the extension until June 30, 2024.

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

Passed

- c. Old St. Anastasia Exterior Restoration Project Update

Marsha Commond, Redevelopment Specialist, introduced Jim Doby from Innovative Masonry and Robert Mack from MacDonald & Mack Architects who presented Old St. Anastasia Exterior Restoration Project Updates and their findings. They also answered questions posed by the Board such as the description of the photos provided, if the staircase could be removed, and the recommendations for the window coverings.

9. STAFF COMMENTS

- a. FPRA Programs & Activities Summary

City Manager, Nick Mimms, and Redevelopment Assistant Sara Delgado highlighted a quote from the FPRA Programs & Activities Summary report from Captain's Galley owner Trevor Horvath.

Board member Jeremiah Johnson expressed gratitude to Mr. Mimms and his staff for the FPRA Programs & Activities Summary Report and the new colorful window graphics of The Sunrise Center.

Chairperson Linda Hudson inquired if there were plans for Old St. Anastasia after exterior restoration. Mr. Mimms stated one possibility which is an agreement with St. Lucie County for a local museum.

Chairperson Linda Hudson reopened Public Comments. Marjorie Harrell spoke at this time. Seeing no other movement, Chairperson Linda Hudson closed Public Comments.

10. BOARD COMMENTS

Board member Jeremiah Johnson expressed his enthusiasm for the potential of a local museum agreement with St. Lucie County.

Board Member Michael Broderick suggested re-advertising the Commercial Façade Grant Program due to a lack of applicants. In response, Mr. Mimms stated that the advertising will continue until all funds are exhausted. Board Member Curtis Johnson Jr. suggested the need for the potential applicants to see how previous applicants have benefited from the Commercial Façade Grant Program.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Linda Hudson adjourned the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

CHAIRPERSON