

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, DECEMBER 10, 2024.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Hudson called the 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 James Taylor; Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr.

Staff Present: Acting City Manager Linda Cox
Records Management Coordinator Tina Rel
City Attorney Sara Hedges

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Approval of the Minutes from the November 12, 2024 Meeting.

Motion was made by Commissioner Arnold Gaines, seconded by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr. to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2024 FPRA Meeting.

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

Passed

5. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO AGENDA AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion was made by Commissioner Michael Broderick, seconded by Commissioner Arnold Gaines to approve the agenda as set.

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

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.

Adolfo Covelli - In support of Freebie

7. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval of Change Order No. 11 to General Contractor Services-Highway Museum in an amount not to exceed \$2,803.70 for the City of Fort Pierce Florida Highwaymen Museum renovation project.
- b. Approval of Change Order No. 10 to General Contractor Services-Highway Museum in an amount not to exceed \$16,578.40 for the City of Fort Pierce Florida Highwaymen Museum renovation project.
- c. Approval of Change Order No. 9 to General Contractor Services-Highway Museum in an amount not to exceed \$9,130.31 for the City of Fort Pierce Florida Highwaymen Museum renovation project.
- d. Approval of Change Order No. 8 to General Contractor Services-Highway Museum in an amount not to exceed \$9,569.15 for the City of Fort Pierce Florida Highwaymen Museum renovation project.
- e. Approval of Change Order No. 7 to General Contractor Services-Highway Museum in an amount not to exceed \$6,338.80 for the City of Fort Pierce Florida Highwaymen Museum renovation project.
- f. Approval of Change Order No. 4 to General Contractor Services-Highway Museum in an amount not to exceed \$37,081.80 for the City of Fort Pierce Florida Highwaymen Museum renovation project.
- g. Approval of Funding Agreement with St. Lucie County for the Delaware Avenue Intersection Improvement Project in the amount of \$250,000
- h. Approval of a blanket Purchase Order to cover the Fort Pierce Off-Duty Detail expenditures in the amount of \$317,304.00 for FY2025.
- i. Approval of First Amendment to Agreement with Incubate Neighborhood Center (INC) to Lease and Improve Means Court.

Commissioner Johnson pulled items 7a-7f.
Commissioner Gaines pulled item 7i.

Motion was made by Commissioner Arnold Gaines, seconded by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr. to approve items 7g and 7h of the Consent Agenda.

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

Passed

Motion was made by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr., seconded by Commissioner Michael Broderick to approve items 7a-7f of the consent agenda.

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

Passed

As to items 7a-7f

The Board inquired on the revitalization of the Highwaymen Museum renovation including budget concerns, previous renovations, and change of use.

Acting City Manager, Linda Cox introduced Conrey Fort and Patrice McKnight, Journey C&D Group and Audria Moore, Project Manager to discuss the project.

Ms. Moore explained the change orders, grants, and the processes necessary to complete the renovations and clarified budget concerns.

Patrice McKnight clarified questions posed by the Board.

Motion was made by Commissioner Arnold Gaines, seconded by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr. to approve item 7i of the consent agenda.

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

Passed

As to item 7i

Commissioner Gaines thanked everyone involved in the reopening of the center.

Commissioner Broderick requested a tour of the facility.

8. NEW BUSINESS

a. Fort Pierce Police Department FPRA Off-Duty Details Presentation

Captain Jason Braun presented the Fort Pierce Police Department FPRA Off-Duty Details.

The Board inquired if businesses were aware of the special details, meeting with the DBA, citations, the noise ordinance,

Captain Braun confirmed businesses are aware of the details and confirmed the work being done to address the noise concerns.

Ms. Cox commented that the noise ordinance is being reviewed.

b. Resolution 24-05: Granting or Denying a Time Extension for the Sale Agreement of 612 N 25th St

Records Management Coordinator, Tina Rel, introduced the Resolution, read by the title only, into the record.

FPRA RESOLUTION NO. 24-05

A RESOLUTION OF THE FORT PIERCE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, A DEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING OR DENYING AN AMENDMENT TO THE SURPLUS PROPERTY SALE AGREEMENT AT 612 NORTH 25TH STREET RELATED TO A REQUEST FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME, TO INCLUDE ANY NECESSARY LITIGATION; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Maria Garcia, Redevelopment Specialist, commented that the property owner had changed his original request.

Larry Lee, Jr., property owner, provided a history of the street, his original vision for it, and his request for the City to take the property back and donate the funds he put toward it to the Boys and Girls Club.

City Attorney Sara Hedges recommended that the Board take no action on the Resolution and that Staff will work with Mr. Lee for appropriate actions. The other option is to approve the

resolution denying his extension and find him in violation.

Motion was made by Commissioner Arnold Gaines, seconded by Commissioner James Taylor to take no action on Resolution 24-05.

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

Passed

- c. Discussion and direction to amend Exhibit A "Rates & Services Addendum" to the Master Services Agreement with BEEFREE to add a sixth vehicle until either May 10, 2025, September 30, 2025, or for the remaining term of the contract.

Commissioner Taylor requested clarification on the 6th vehicle.

Ms. Cox clarified that it referred to the Tesla vehicle, five Teslas, and a van.

Sara Delgado, Redevelopment Specialist, presented three options for the BEEFREE agreement and ridership.

The Board commented and clarified the contract details for the addition, the custom wraps, discussed the options, and previous season data.

Ms. Cox commented on the options and possible detail changes if necessary to the contract.

Motion was made by Commissioner Arnold Gaines, seconded by Commissioner Michael Broderick to approve the selection of option two (2) for the service agreement with BEEFREE.

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

Passed

9. STAFF COMMENTS

- a. FPRA Programs & Activities Summary

Acting City Manager, Linda Cox commented on the attached FPRA report and introduced Jessica William, the new Redevelopment Specialist.

10. BOARD COMMENTS

None.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Hudson adjourned the meeting at 5:41 p.m.

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

CHAIRPERSON