

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 13, 2025.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Hudson called the May 13, 2025 FPRA Meeting of the City Commission 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: Interim FPRA Director Devoshay Johnson
City Attorney Sara Hedges
City Clerk Linda Cox

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Approval of the Minutes from the March 31, 2025 FPRA Special Meeting.

Motion was made by Commissioner Arnold Gaines, seconded by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr. to approve the minutes of the March 31, 2025 FPRA Regular Meeting.

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

Passed

- b. Approval of the Minutes of the April 08, 2025 FPRA Regular Meeting.

Motion was made by Commissioner Arnold Gaines, seconded by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr. to approve the minutes of the April 08, 2025, FPRA Regular 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 James Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr. 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.

Larry Lee Jr.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. Approval to award Bid No. 2025-020 for FPRA Properties Lawn Mowing and Maintenance Services to the second-lowest bidder Mow 4 Less in the amount of \$42,750.00 annually.
- b. Approval of Second Amendment to the Amended and Restated MOU for the Smart City Initiative with FPUA
- c. Approval of Specific Authorization 1 with Cotleur & Hearing, INC. for Urban Planning Professional Services of Old St. Anastasia and adjacent lots for an amount not to exceed \$125,975.00
- d. Approval of termination agreement for Surplus Property Sale Agreement for 612 N 25th Street.

Motion was made by Commissioner Arnold Gaines, seconded by Commissioner Curtis Johnson, Jr. to approve the Consent Agenda.

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

Passed

8. NEW BUSINESS

- a. FPRA Resolution 25-09 Authorizing or Denying a First Amendment to Grant Agreement for Commercial Facade Improvement located at 207 Orange Ave

City Clerk, Linda Cox introduced the Resolution, read by title only, into the record.

FPRA RESOLUTION NO. 25-09

A RESOLUTION OF THE FORT PIERCE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, A DEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, AUTHORIZING OR DENYING A FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE GRANT AGREEMENT FOR COMMERCIAL FAÇADE IMPROVEMENT LOCATED AT 207 ORANGE AVENUE RELATED TO A REQUEST FOR AN EXTENSION OF TIME; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Motion was made by Commissioner Arnold Gaines, seconded by Commissioner James Taylor to approve Resolution No. 25-09.

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

Passed

- b. FPRA Resolution 25-10 Formally Establishing the FPRA Mural Program, Including Program Guidelines and Standard Template Agreements

City Clerk, Linda Cox introduced the Resolution, read by title only, into the record.

FPRA RESOLUTION NO. 25-10

A RESOLUTION OF THE FORT PIERCE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, A DEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA, FORMALLY ESTABLISHING THE FPRA MURAL PROGRAM AND CORRESPONDING GUIDELINES THERETO; INTENDING TO BEAUTIFY THE CITY THROUGH MURAL INSTALLATIONS; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; REPEALING ALL RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Sara Delgado, Redevelopment Specialist, presented the FPRA mural program.

The Board commented on the new mural and inquired on artist assessment, including the local youth.

Ms. Delgado commented on the artist evaluation.

Interim FPRA Director, Devoshay Johnson, inquired on the agreement if a minor was considered.

City Attorney Sara Hedges indicated that the agreements could be modified to accommodate minors.

Motion was made by Commissioner Arnold Gaines, seconded by Commissioner Michael Broderick to approve Resolution No. 25-10.

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

Passed

- c. FPRA Resolution 25-11 appointing Richard D. Chess as FPRA Director.

City Clerk, Linda Cox introduced the Resolution, read by title only, into the record.

FPRA RESOLUTION NO. 25-11

A RESOLUTION OF THE FORT PIERCE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, A DEPENDENT SPECIAL DISTRICT OF THE CITY OF FORT PIERCE, FLORIDA; DESIGNATING AN FPRA DIRECTOR; REPEALING ALL RESOLUTIONS IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

The Board discussed moving forward with this resolution or considering separating the positions of City Manager and FPRA Director, and if there could be a Director that reports to this Board.

Ms. Hedges commented on a Director that could report to the Board and the requirements and details and that FPRA employees.

Mr. Johnson commented on the employee, benefit packages, and defining of roles.

City Manager, Richard Chess, commented on the impact of the City Manager's office to the FPRA and his ability to handle the role.

The Board inquired on Mr. Chess' current work load and additional involvement in the FPRA.

Mr. Chess commented on his responsibility to manage the process, and that he could handle both roles.

Shyanne Harnage, Community and Economic Development Director, commented on the need for reporting and the opportunity to include someone in a role that provides inclusion of the Board.

The Board commented on the inclusion of Ms. Harnage in meetings moving forward, Mr. Chess as the

Director with Ms. Harnage reporting to the City Manager, and more reporting.

Motion was made by Commissioner Arnold Gaines, seconded by Commissioner Michael Broderick to approve Resolution No. 25-11.

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 Report - May 2025

Shyanne Harnage, Community and Economic Development Director, presented the FPRA Programs & Activities Summary Report - May 2025.

The Board commented on the Downtown Business Alliance, Freebee drivers being provided with local resources such as 211, status of dumpsters JCPenney, inquiries on The Highwaymen and Zora Neal Hurston House, and an appraisal of the property adjacent to the museum.

Ms. Harnage commented on the Highwaymen Project being managed by the City Manager's office and the Zora Neal Hurston House as County.

10. BOARD COMMENTS

Commissioner Johnson commented on Project Lyft presenting to the Board for evaluation.

Chairperson Hudson thanked Devoshay Johnson for the work he has done and will continue to do on behalf of the City.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Hudson adjourned the meeting at 6:35 P.M.

ATTEST:

CITY CLERK

CHAIRPERSON