



City Hall Commission Chambers
3650 NE 12 Avenue
Oakland Park, Florida 33334

MINUTES
COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
OCTOBER 18, 2017, 8:38 P.M

The regular meeting of the Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Oakland Park, Florida was called to order at 8:38 p.m. by Chair Adornato.

Roll Call

Present:

Chair John Adornato

Vice Chair Tim Lonergan

Board Member Sara Guevrekian

Board Member Michael Carn

Also Present:

Executive Director David Hebert

CRA Attorney DJ Doody

CRA Clerk Renee Shrout

Absent:

Board Member Matthew Sparks

Presentations

*CRA Update

Kathleen Margoles, CRA Director, provided an update, which included the following: the CRA had a booth at the Florida International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC) Conference in Orlando on August 27-29 attended by developers, retailers and property owners. The CRA displayed its new projects and the City's latest promotional video, which was received well; the Downtown Partners Meet and Greet was held October 11 at Bonsai Supply located at 3553 N. Dixie Hwy, Oakland Park, FL 33334. The agenda included presentations by City staff on recent regulations regarding freestanding development, medical marijuana and future redevelopment of the West Dixie Lots; the RFQ was released October 16. A luncheon was held at Funky Buddha Brewery on October 12 to introduce the project to the Developer community; the Florida Redevelopment Association is holding their annual conference in Daytona Beach October 18 - 20. Three Oakland Park CRA projects are included in the 2017 Best Book; the Call to Artists for the second phase of the Utility Box Wraps closed on August 30. The Arts and Culture Board reviewed the responsive submissions and chose six artists at the September 28 meeting. Staff is meeting with the artists to discuss the designs.

Ms. Margoles further stated that Lucky's Market held it's Grand Opening on August 30. The event was well attended. After Hurricane Irma, goods were discounted in order for residents to restock their supplies. Living Green, 1305 E. Commercial Blvd., lost power and the store manager decided to make the perishable foods available at no cost; the Greater Fort Lauderdale (GFL) Convention and Visitors Bureau (CVB) kicked off their new CRAVE GFL on September 27 at Funky Buddha Brewery.

The following grand openings will take place: G21, the fitness facility located at 3400 NE 11 Avenue, is planning an open house on November 1 at 7 p.m. The applicants are also preparing plans to start work on the front building, which was approved for a culinary use; Design Moves, located at 3520 NE 12th Ave. is hosting a One Year Anniversary Open House on November 9 at 5:30 - 9:00 p.m.; the Little Seamstress, located at 311 Prospect Rd., is hosting an official opening on November 17 at 6pm. The business first opened November 1967, 50 years ago in Wilton Manors and moved to Oakland Park last year. There are several new tenants at 1101 NE 34th Court including Land and Sea Wraps, a graphic design company that specializes in car and boat wraps opened in late September.

Ms. Margoles continued her report with the following City events: Music on Main was held September 22 in conjunction with the celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month. The event featured Conjunto Impacto, Isley Rodriguez, Latin dancers and Latin food trucks; Oktoberfest was held October 6-8 at Jaco Pastorius Park. The CRA received a Broward County Tourism Grant for \$17,500 that allowed us to add cultural and culinary activities including the opera singer and flower crown making; the Music on Main/Halloween Bash will be held on October 27 at City Hall, featuring Pan Paradise, a Calypso/Soca reggae Steel Drum Band. There will be activities for children including the annual favorite, Trunk or Treat and a costume contest; a new event, the Art and Antique Walk, will be on November 18 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. featuring art, antique and consignment shops in Oakland Park and Wilton Manors. A shuttle will run along the merchant route allowing attendees to browse at their leisure. There will be food trucks and music at the Art Park for a lunchtime break.

The presentation concluded with the following housing development updates: Oakland Preserve, a rental community comprised of 80 units, located at 3600 NE 2nd Avenue, is fully leased; Phase 3 of Urbn Village, located at 3351 N Andrews Avenue (south of Park Lane East) is currently under construction. Half of the development has already been sold; The Pointe at Middle River, located at 2900 NE 12 Terrace has only two remaining of 40 homes for sale; Eastside Village, located at 4100 N Dixie Hwy, is reporting 88 out of 124 homes sold.

1. PUBLIC COMMENTS - At this time, any person will be allowed to speak on any matter that pertains to CRA business for a length of time not to exceed four minutes per person.

Kevin Tomilson - 2625 NW 18 Terrace - He reported there was a serious situation on NW 18 Avenue and 27 Street, with drivers running the stop sign, drag racing and dumping trash along the street. He stated there had been numerous accidents due to street drag racing.

Robert Waters - 211 NE 42 street - He stated he and his wife picked up trash along NE 1st Terrace between Prospect and 41st Street. He asked for the area to be mowed because the high grass was making it impossible to remove the trash.

Consent Agenda

Those matters included under the Consent Agenda are self-explanatory, and are not expected to require review or discussion. Items will be enacted by one Motion; however, if discussion of an item is requested by the CRA board, that item may be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered separately.

2. Approval of CRA Minutes - July 19, 2017; August 2, 2017

Board Member Guevrekian moved to approve the minutes. Board Member Carn seconded the motion, which prevailed by the following vote:

YES: Board Member Guevrekian, Board Member Carn, Vice Chair Lonergan, Chair Adornato

ABSENT: Board Member Sparks

REPORTS

3. From Board Members

None.

ADJOURN: The meeting adjourned at 8:59 p.m.

CITY OF OAKLAND PARK, FLORIDA

JOHN ADORNATO III, CHAIR

ATTEST:

RENEE M. SHROUT, CMC, CRA CLERK