



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

MINUTES
COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING
MAY 19, 2021, 9:20 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Oakland Park, Florida was called to order at 9:20 p.m. by Vice Mayor Carn.

NOTE: Due to COVID-19 precautionary safety measures were in place and access to city facilities was limited to ensure social distancing. The opportunity for Public Participation has been provided by email or by calling the City Clerk's office. Received public comments were read into the record during that portion of the agenda.

ROLL CALL

Present:

Chair Jane Bolin*

Vice Chair Michael Carn

Board Member Matthew Sparks*

Board Member Aisha Gordon

Board Member Mitch Rosenwald

Also Present:

Executive Director David Hebert

CRA Attorney D J Doody

CRA Clerk Renee M. Shrout

* Chair Bolin and Board Member Sparks attended remotely.

PRESENTATIONS

Audited Financial Statements as of and for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2020

Carshena Allison, Auditor with BCA Watson Rice LLP, provided the presentation. There were no instances of non-compliance and no adverse matters to report to the Community Redevelopment Agency.

May 2021 CRA Update

Kaitlyn Collier, External Relations and Communications Specialist, joined by Peter Schwarz, Community & Economic Development Director, and Dr. Steve Tinsley, the newly recruited Community & Economic Development Assistant Director, provided the update: the American Rescue Plan Act established the Restaurant Revitalization Fund, a \$28.6 billion dollar program, to help restaurants and other eligible businesses keep their doors open with funding for pandemic related expenses. Please visit www.restaurants.sba.gov to apply.

The following activities have occurred in the Oakland Park business community: Baller Youth Sports Training, located at 4032 NE 6 Avenue, recently celebrated the opening of their new training facility for young athletes. More information on the Baller Youth Sports Training is available at www.ballerstraining.com; Paisa Bites, to be located at 3499 N Dixie Highway, is coming soon to Oakland Park's Downtown. The establishment will provide authentic Columbian dishes; Park Place Spa, to be located at 3558 NE 12 Avenue, is coming soon to the City's Downtown. The spa will feature a high-end spa with licensed aestheticians specializing in facial treatments, products, and services for all skincare concerns; Black Flamingo Brewing Company, located at 3484 NE 12 Avenue, moved in its equipment. More information on the Black Flamingo Brewing Company is available at www.blackflamingoco.com; Cyth & Co., located on 3446 NE 12 Avenue, celebrated their one-year anniversary and official Grand Opening April 25. The establishment held a soft opening during the height of the COVID-19 pandemic and provided curbside coffee and produce bags to those in need. More information on Cyth & Co. is available at www.cythco.com. The next virtual Downtown Partners Meeting is scheduled Tuesday, June 8, 2021. Registration is available at www.opcra.com.

Board Member Rosenwald welcomed Dr. Tinsley to the team. He asked whether the City's Arts and Culture Advisory Board could advise the CRA regarding public art. City Manager Hebert stated the advisory boards' function is to advise the City Commission, which has the discretion to determine whether staff will act on advisory boards' suggestions and ideas.

Peter Schwarz, Peter Schwarz, Community & Economic Development Director, introduced Dr. Steven Tinsley, Community & Economic Development Assistant Director, who said he looked forward to being a part of the growth and success Oakland Park was experiencing.

Board Member Gordon thanked Ms. Collier for her informative presentation and welcomed Dr. Tinsley.

Chair Bolin welcomed Dr. Tinsley and requested Board Members be notified when a business holds an opening.

Board Member Sparks welcomed Dr. Tinsley and inquired how staff notifies businesses about the Small Business (SBA) Loans. Ms. Collier explained the City notifies business owners about SBA loans via all social media platforms and emails.

<p>1. PUBLIC COMMENTS</p>

<p>At this time any person will be allowed to speak on any matter that pertains to City business for a length of time not to exceed four minutes per person.</p>

Joe Feinberg commended the CRA team for a great job. He said he was proud to be part of what was going on in the City.

2. REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS

3. REPORTS FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at: 9:43 p.m.

CITY OF OAKLAND PARK, FLORIDA

JANE BOLIN, CHAIR

ATTEST:

RENEE M. SHROUT, CMC, CRA CLERK