



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

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DRAFT MINUTES  
COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING  
APRIL 20, 2022, 8:09 P.M.

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The regular meeting of the Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Oakland Park, Florida was called to order at 8:09 p.m. by Chair Carn.

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| NOTE: To support the public's continued safety concerns, the opportunity for Public Participation has been provided by email or by calling the City Clerk's office. Received public comments, if any, were read into the record during that portion of the agenda. |
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| <b>ROLL CALL</b> |
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Present:

Chair Michael Carn

Vice Chair Aisha Gordon

Board Member Mitch Rosenwald\*\*

Board Member Matthew Sparks

Board Member Jane Bolin

Also Present:

Executive Director David Hebert

CRA Attorney DJ Doody

CRA Clerk Renee M. Shrout

Attended remotely\*\*

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| <b>PRESENTATIONS</b> |
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**\*CRA Update April 2022**

Dr. Steve Tinsley, Assistant Director of Community and Economic Development, provided the following update: Renderings of the Sky Building were installed recently on the City-owned lots on Park Lane and Dixie Highway. The project is in permitting and a groundbreaking ceremony is tentatively scheduled for the fourth quarter of this year; the 4th Annual Dancing in the Street is scheduled for Friday, April 22 from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. The free community event will feature fun for all with live music, children's activities, crafters and food trucks; staff released the CRA 2021 Annual Report which highlights growth, initiatives and activities throughout the CRA. The report is available at [www.opcra.com](http://www.opcra.com).

Kaitlyn Collier, External Relations and Outreach Coordinator, provided the following update: Flor Mosura, located at 1105 NE 34th Court, celebrated its grand opening for its floral design and creative studio March 20; Oddballs Nifty Thrift, located at 4281 N. Dixie Highway, celebrated its grand opening April 1 and was voted 3rd Best Vintage/Consignment shop in America; Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce hosted its first open house event at Chain Bridge Distiller, located at 3500 NE 11th Avenue, April 6. The event allowed the City to

showcase its new developments to attendees; Selfie Museum, to be located at 1101 NE 34th Court, will be the first of its kind in Broward County and Oakland Park. The business hopes to bring a fun and immersive photo experience to patrons. For more information, please visit [www.oaklandparkselfiemuseum.com](http://www.oaklandparkselfiemuseum.com); Miss Jessie's, a hair product brand for natural and curly hair, located at 3161 N. Dixie Highway, is working with City staff to submit permits and an application for a Business Incentive Program grant. For more information on Miss Jessie's visit [www.missjessies.com](http://www.missjessies.com); Dulces Hermanitas, located at 904 NE 62<sup>nd</sup> Street, recently celebrated their grand opening. The pastry shop offers coffee, popcorn, ice cream and an assortment of other sweets; the City provided items from 15 local businesses offering almost \$2,000 in services and products for the silent auction at the United Way Mayors Gala to convene April 30.

Ms. Collier concluded her presentation with the following business activities: the property owner of 3235 N. Dixie Highway is working with City staff exterior improvements including signage, windows and doors; Five Grille & Pie Bar, to be located at 3492 NE 12th Avenue, will feature everything in fives. The restaurant will be open 5 days a week, Tuesday to Saturday for 5 hours, from 5 to 10 p.m., and the menu will consist of 5 appetizers, 5 entrees, 5 desserts, and 5 cocktails. Kibler Construction continues to make interior and exterior improvements to the property and the City looks forward to its arrival; the next Downtown Partners Meeting will be on Tuesday, June 14, 2022 and is open to the community and any members of the public who are interested in learning more about the projects in our Downtown.

Board Member Bolin inquired about the grand opening process. Staff intends to notify businesses about the process when business owners obtain their business tax receipt.

Vice Chair Gordon welcomed all new businesses to the City.

Board Member Rosenwald commended staff on the Response to Business Requests Tracking Sheet.

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| <b><u><a href="#">Audited Financial Statements as of and for the Fiscal Year Ended September 30, 2021</a></u></b> |
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Carshena Allison, CPA, BCA Watson Rice LLP provided the presentation. Ms. Allison had no adverse matters to report to the Community Redevelopment Agency. There were no instances of non-compliance reported.

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| <b><u>1. <a href="#">PUBLIC COMMENTS</a></u></b> |
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| <b><u><a href="#">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.</a></u></b> |
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Steve Arnst, 1860 NW 40<sup>th</sup> Court, was very impressed by the CRA's honors and the new downtown development. He said he would miss Alex Dambach, Planning Supervisor, when he left the City and wished him well.

**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.

Board Member Sparks moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Vice Chair Gordon seconded the motion, which prevailed by the following vote:

**YES:** Chair Carn, Vice Chair Gordon, Board Member Rosenwald, Board Member Sparks, Board Member Bolin

**2. Approval of CRA Minutes - February 16, 2022**

Approved on Consent.

**3. REPORTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

Board Member Rosenwald inquired about a Business Improvement District within a CRA. CRA Attorney Doody replied they are still examining this and would report at the next meeting.

Board Member Rosenwald inquired when the CRA would review feedback on the next five-year strategic plan. CRA Executive Director Hebert replied he anticipated this would be during the fourth quarter of 2022, early 2023.

**5. REPORTS FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

**6. FY 2021 CRA Annual Report**

**ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 8:41 p.m.

CITY OF OAKLAND PARK, FLORIDA

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MICHAEL E. CARN, CHAIR

ATTEST:

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RENEE M. SHROUT, CMC, CRA CLERK