
MINUTES
Fifth Avenue Pleasant Street Redevelopment Advisory Board
Tuesday, February 26, 2008
6:15 pm
Santa Fe Community College, Board Room
Northwest 6th Street

A. ROLL CALL

Acting Chair Dotty Faibisy called the meeting to order at 6:15 pm. Members Ingram, Laughlin, Norton, Pearce & Rose were present. Sharon Dixon and Stephanie Seawright represented Staff. Guests included Pastor Gerard Duncan, Mary Rose, Jason King, and Thomas Hawkins.

B. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

The Board unanimously approved the motion made by Member Pearce, seconded by Member Rose.

Recommendation: Adopt the Agenda as presented.

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – Minutes from the December 11, 2007 meeting.

The Board unanimously approved the motion made by Member Pearce, seconded by Member Ingram.

Recommendation: Approve the Minutes of December 11, 2007 as presented.

D. REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

Pastor Gerard Duncan and Jason King of Prayers by Faith Outreach Ministries discussed their program “Project Involvement Bridging the Gap”.

E. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Chair’s Report

2. Staff Report – Information Items:

CRA and Project Update

- NW Fifth Avenue Streetscape – The anticipated-completion date of the project is the end of March 2008. GRU, Cox, and Bellsouth are in the process of under grounding the utilities. Anglin Construction has installed new sidewalks; brick pavers and pedestrian lights.
- Lot for sale on NW 5th Ave – the CRA Board approved the purchase of 802 NW 5th Avenue. And will begin design.
- Fifth Avenue/Pleasant Street Underground Initiatives – The Fifth Avenue/Pleasant Street Underground Initiatives, approved April 24, 2006, is a Community Redevelopment Agency partnership with GRU for underground conversion projects in the FAPS district. Brown & Cullen has completed preliminary engineering work for the CRA for the entire NW 5th Avenue Streetscape project. The preliminary design data will help facilitate the proposed phase 4 streetscape project, which runs from NW 6th Street to NW 10th Street. \$160,966 was budgeted in the FY 2008 Fifth Avenue/Pleasant Street Amendatory Budget for streetscape improvements (W508).
- Fifth Avenue Pleasant Street Redevelopment Plan Update – The CRA attorney has required statutory changes to be in compliance with Florida State Statute, chapter 163 Part III Community Redevelopment.

F. OLD BUSINESS

1. Revision to the Model Block Policies

Staff proposed a revision of the disposal procedure for sale of the Model Block properties. The Board was apprised that no bids were received on the January 21, 2008 deadline of Model Block D 418 NW 4th Avenue. The house will be put back on the market under the current procedure for 30 days. During this time, staff will revise the disposal procedure to reflect the current market. Staff will bring back to the FAPS board a revised disposal procedure for the properties for approval and comments.

G. NEW BUSINESS

1. FY 2008 2nd Amendatory Budget

Staff presented the budget to the Board. There was much discussion on the role of the CRA in maintaining the A. Quinn Jones property. The Board stated it needs more information on its involvement with this project. There was also a question as to why the Fifth Avenue Arts Festival didn't appear on the budget.

The Board unanimously approved the motion made by Member Pearce, seconded by Member Rose.

Recommendation: Adopt the second amendatory budget for FY2008 without the \$23,795.62 budgeted for the A. Quinn Jones project until more information on this project is presented.

H. REPORT OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES – None

I. BOARD MEMBER COMMENT

Next meeting is April 22, 2008.

J. PUBLIC COMMENT

K. ADJOURNMENT – 7:07 p.m.