

Community Redevelopment Agency

*City Hall
200 East University Avenue
Gainesville, Florida 32601*



Meeting Minutes

Monday, March 16, 2009

3:00 PM

City Hall Auditorium

*Jeanna Mastrodicasa (Chair)
Thomas Hawkins (Vice-Chair)
Jack Donovan (Member)
Pegeen Hanrahan (Member)
Scherwin Henry (Member)
Craig Lowe (Member)
Lauren Poe (Member)*

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CALL TO ORDER - 3:07 PM**ROLL CALL**

Present: Pegeen Hanrahan, Jack Donovan, Jeanna Mastrodicasa and Thomas Hawkins

Absent: Craig Lowe, Scherwin Henry and Lauren Poe

ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

Member Donovan moved and Member Hawkins seconded to adopt the Consent Agenda, as presented.

(VOTE: 4-0, Members Henry, Lowe and Poe - Absent, MOTION CARRIED)

NOTE: Member Hawkins brought up questions on an issue on the Consent Agenda File #080886 CRA Project Summary regarding SW 7th Avenue Roadway Improvements.

CRA Engineer Diane Bennett made comments regarding the issue.

SECRETARY CONSENT**080873. Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Minutes (B)**

RECOMMENDATION *The CRA approve the minutes of February 16, 2009, as circulated.*

This Matter was Approved as Recommended on the Consent Agenda.

080874. Appointment of Roberta Parks to the Fifth Avenue/Pleasant Street Redevelopment Advisory Board (NB)

RECOMMENDATION *The CRA appoint Roberta Parks to the Fifth Avenue/Pleasant Street Redevelopment Advisory Board for a term to expire June 17, 2012.*

Member Donovan: Parks

Member Hanrahan: Parks

Member Hawkins: Parks

Member Henry: Parks

Member Lowe: Parks

Member Poe: Parks

Chair Mastrodicasa: Parks

This Matter was Approved as Recommended on the Consent Agenda.

080875. Resignation of Jay Reeves from the Downtown Redevelopment Advisory Board (NB)

RECOMMENDATION *The CRA accept the resignation of Jay Reeves from the Downtown Redevelopment Advisory board, effective immediately.*

This Matter was Approved as Recommended on the Consent Agenda.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR CONSENT

080886. CRA Project Summary (NB)

RECOMMENDATION *CRA Executive Director to CRA: 1) Receive project update from Staff.*

This Matter was Approved as Recommended on the Consent Agenda.

080887. Professional Landscape Architectural Services for Park and Recreation Elements at Depot Park (B)

RECOMMENDATION *CRA Executive Director to the CRA: 1) Approve ranking of consultants; and 2) authorize the Executive Director to negotiate and execute a contract for professional design services with the top-ranked firm. 3) If negotiations do not end with a contract with top-ranked firm, authorize Executive Director to enter negotiations with the second firm in order of ranking.*

This Matter was Approved as Recommended on the Consent Agenda.

Passed The Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Member Donovan, seconded by Vice-Chair Hawkins, including all the preceding items marked as having been adopted on the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Aye: Thomas Hawkins, Pegeen Hanrahan, Jack Donovan and Jeanna Mastrodicasa
Absent: Lauren Poe, Craig Lowe and Scherwin Henry

END OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

ADOPTION OF THE REGULAR AGENDA

Member Donovan moved and Member Hawkins seconded to adopt the Regular Agenda, as modified.

(VOTE: 4-0, Members Henry, Lowe and Poe, Absent - MOTION CARRIED)

MODIFICATION: File #080890 - Project Update - CRA Office Building at 802 NW 5th Avenue - Revised Power Point presentation submitted.

SECRETARY

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

080889. FY2009 Amendatory Budget (B)

Senior Management Analyst Greg Bradley gave a presentation.

RECOMMENDATION *CRA Executive Director to CRA: Recommend the CRA adopt Resolution 080889, thus approving an amendatory budget for FY2009 as presented.*

A motion was made by Member Donovan, seconded by Vice-Chair Hawkins, that this matter be Approved as Recommended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Aye: Thomas Hawkins, Pegeen Hanrahan, Jack Donovan and Jeanna Mastrodicasa
Absent: Lauren Poe, Craig Lowe and Scherwin Henry

080890. Project Update - CRA Office Building at 802 NW 5th Ave (B)

Senior Management Analyst Greg Bradley, DAG Architects Principal Pat Ballasch, AIA, and Project Engineer Joe Montalto gave presentations.

RECOMMENDATION *CRA Executive Director to CRA: 1) Hear presentation from staff and DAG Architects; and 2) approve one of the Schematic Design Renderings of the building.*

A motion was made by Vice-Chair Hawkins, seconded by Member Hanrahan, that this matter be Approved as Recommended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Aye: Thomas Hawkins, Pegeen Hanrahan, Jack Donovan and Jeanna Mastrodicasa
Absent: Lauren Poe, Craig Lowe and Scherwin Henry

080891. March 2009 Project Update – Hawthorne Road Café (B)

Senior Management Analyst Greg Bradley and Urban Studios Architects Partner

Richard Zingale, AIA gave presentations.

RECOMMENDATION *CRA Executive Director to CRA: 1) Hear presentation from staff and Urban Studios Architects; and 2) approve schematic design concepts as presented.*

A motion was made by Vice-Chair Hawkins, seconded by Member Hanrahan, that this matter be Approved as Recommended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Aye: Thomas Hawkins, Pegeen Hanrahan, Jack Donovan and Jeanna Mastrodicasa
Absent: Lauren Poe, Craig Lowe and Scherwin Henry

CRA ATTORNEY

REPORTS FROM ADVISORY BOARDS/COMMITTEES

College Park/University Heights Redevelopment Advisory Board

Downtown Redevelopment Advisory Board

Fifth Avenue/Pleasant Street Redevelopment Advisory Board

Eastside Redevelopment Advisory Board

MEMBER COMMENT

Member Pegeen Hanrahan

- 1. Local Purchasing Policies - See following referral item #080907.*
- 2. Seminary Lane Redevelopment Issues - See following referral item #080907.*

080907. Local Purchasing Option for CRA (NB)

RECOMMENDATION *The Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) refer to the Executive Director of the CRA to consider whether the CRA should add a local purchasing option for CRA activities.*

A motion was made by Member Hanrahan, seconded by Vice-Chair Hawkins, that this matter be Referred to the CRA Executive Director, due back on September 16, 2009. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Aye: Thomas Hawkins, Pegeen Hanrahan, Jack Donovan and Jeanna Mastrodicasa
Absent: Lauren Poe, Craig Lowe and Scherwin Henry

080908. Seminary Lane Redevelopment - Housing Vouchers and Other Options (NB)

RECOMMENDATION *The CRA refer the issue of the housing vouchers and all of the options to be analyzed relating to the Seminary Lane Redevelopment to the CRA Executive Director for a report back as soon as possible.*

A motion was made by Member Hanrahan, seconded by Vice-Chair Hawkins, that this matter be Referred to the CRA Executive Director, due back on September 16, 2009. The motion carried by the following vote:

Votes: Aye: Thomas Hawkins, Pegeen Hanrahan, Jack Donovan and Jeanna Mastrodicasa
Absent: Lauren Poe, Craig Lowe and Scherwin Henry

CITIZEN COMMENT

Pat Fitzpatrick

Homeless Issues - feeding the homeless at the Bo Diddley Downtown Community Plaza.

CRA Project Coordinator and Neighborhood Planner Kelly Huard Fisher made comments.

NEXT MEETING DATE

April 20, 2009

ADJOURNMENT - 4:26 PM

CRA Secretary