



Meeting Minutes Community Redevelopment Agency

Tuesday, December 14, 2021

7:00 PM

Commission Chambers

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order on the above date by Vice Chair Ben Preston at 7:00 p.m., in the City Commission Chambers, 150 NE 2nd Avenue, Deerfield Beach, Florida.

Present: 5 - Mr. Todd Drosky
Mr. Michael Hudak
Mr. Bernie Parness - via Zoom
Vice Chair Ben Preston
Chair Bill Ganz - via Zoom

Also Present: 3 - City Manager David Santucci
City Attorney Anthony Soroka
City Clerk Samantha Gillyard

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

There was a moment of silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Community Redevelopment Agency Meeting Minutes

MOTION was made by Mr. Hudak, seconded by Mr. Drosky, to approve the October 12, 2021 minutes as submitted. Voice Vote:

Yeas: 5 - Mr. Drosky, Mr. Hudak, Mr. Parness, Vice Chair Preston and Chair Ganz

Nays: 0

APPROVAL OF COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AGENDA

December 14, 2021

MOTION was made by Mr. Parness, seconded by Mr. Hudak, to approve the agenda as submitted. Voice Vote:

Yeas: 5 - Mr. Drosky, Mr. Hudak, Mr. Parness, Vice Chair Preston and Chair Ganz

Nays: 0

GENERAL ITEMS

- 1. CRA Resolution 2021/013 - A Resolution of the City of Deerfield Beach Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA), authorizing the expenditure of \$302,384.00 for the installation of decorative street lighting for the S-Curve Utility Undergrounding and Streetscape Improvement Project utilizing FPL's Premium Lighting PL-1 Program; authorizing the payment of the street lighting maintenance costs during the one year project warranty period; authorizing the CRA Director to take necessary actions; providing for an effective date. (Funds from Account #190-8000-559-6311 - Lighting)**

The Resolution was read by title only.

There was no discussion amongst the Board.

Vice Chair Preston opened the public hearing; however, there was none to speak and the public hearing was closed.

**MOTION was made by Mr. Hudak, seconded by Mr. Drosky, to approve Item 1, adopted CRA Resolution 2021/013.
Roll Call:**

Yeas: 5 - Mr. Drosky, Mr. Hudak, Mr. Parness, Vice Chair Preston and Chair Ganz

Nays: 0

- 2. CRA Resolution 2021/014 - A Resolution of the City of Deerfield Beach Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA), adopting an amendment to the CRA Fiscal Year 2022 Budget to increase the special events account by \$25,000.00 to reflect the revenue received from the sale of the Showmobile; providing for implementation and an effective date.**

The Resolution was read by title only.

There was no discussion amongst the Board.

Vice Chair Preston opened the public hearing; however, there was none to speak and the public hearing was closed.

**MOTION was made by Mr. Parness, seconded by Mr. Hudak, to approve Item 2, adopted CRA Resolution 2021/014.
Roll Call:**

Yeas: 5 - Mr. Drosky, Mr. Hudak, Mr. Parness, Vice Chair Preston and Chair Ganz

Nays: 0

- 3. Discussion and possible action regarding direction for the CRA Director to negotiate an agreement with the Guy Harvey Ocean Foundation to operate the Sawgrass to Seagrass science exploratorium at Sullivan Park.**

Mr. Hudak spoke in support of the item; whereas, partnering with the Guy Harvey Foundation is an honor and will be a tremendous opportunity for the City.

Chair Ganz spoke in support of the item. Thereafter, he commented on the positive feedback from the community and stated that this is a unique opportunity for the City and youth. Mayor Ganz said this is a legacy type situation and looks forward to seeing it come to fruition.

Mr. Drosky spoke in support of the item as well but asked that staff look into other projects that the Guy Harvey Foundation was involved with to see what has gone right/wrong to better understand the potential partnership. Additionally, he recommended having more than one partnership so others within the community or South Florida can be a part of the Exploratorium as well.

Vice Chair Preston opened the public hearing.

GENERAL ITEMS - CONTINUED

Peggy Ross, 103 NE 19th Avenue, Deerfield Beach, said this is a wonderful opportunity. Further, she stated that the Guy Harvey Foundation is also talking to Broward County about Deerfield Island Park and suggested coordinating with them. Lastly, she said the City does not want to miss this opportunity and reiterated her support.

Vice Chair Preston closed the public hearing.

Kris Mory, Director of Economic Development, said if the Board desires to include other partners, staff will follow the directive moving forward. Further, she said staff will be bringing new ideas before the Board at the beginning of 2022 on how to manage, operate, fund, endow and design the internal space of the science Exploratorium; whereas, the existing contract does not cover this specialty design.

Mr. Hudak spoke in support of the vision; whereby, the Board previously expressed their concerns regarding the lack of knowledge in operating a museum. Further, he agreed with Mr. Drosky's recommendation to include additional partners as it will enhance the success of the project.

Vice Chair Preston agreed that the City does not want to miss out on this opportunity, as the positive feedback received from the community has been outstanding.

MOTION was made by Mr. Hudak, seconded by Mr. Parness, to direct the CRA Director to negotiate an agreement with the Guy Harvey Foundation and other interested parties to operate the science Exploratorium. Roll Call:

Yeas: 5 - Mr. Drosky, Mr. Hudak, Mr. Parness, Vice Chair Preston and Chair Ganz

Nays: 0

ADMINISTRATION COMMENTS

CRA DIRECTOR

Island Mobility Project Update - Kris Mory, Director of Economic Development, provided a brief overview of the project. She explained that the project was intended to include undergrounding four (4) utility poles; however, staff determined that the cost benefit was insufficient. Also, due to the capacity and facilities located on the poles, FP&L required two (2) of the poles to have an 8' square by 5' tall switch cabinet instead of the pole; however, they could not be located in the public right-of-way, but private property. The other two (2) poles would require a 10X10 easement on private property and two (2) additional feeder poles would be required on State Road A1A. Nevertheless, she explained that money would be spent to replace the utility poles with visible switch cabinets and two (2) additional poles would be added. Ms. Mory stated that the roadway segment where this project resides is not highly trafficked, nor is it a high pedestrian area. Lastly, she explained that staff went back to FP&L to see if anything could be done, and unfortunately it cannot; nevertheless, one of the easements is located in front of a single-family home and does not believe the homeowner would be in favor.

CITY MANAGER

None.

CITY ATTORNEY

None.

BOARD COMMENTS

MR. HUDAK

None.

BOARD COMMENTS - CONTINUED**MR. PARNESS**

None.

CHAIR GANZ

None.

MR. DROSKY

Ocean Way Holiday - Mr. Drosky commended staff for a job well done; however, he advised that people were not aware that the event ran from the pier to the main beach parking lot.

VICE CHAIR PRESTON

Surrounding Events - Vice Chair Preston commented on the devastation caused by the tornadoes. He stated that he understands nothing can be done at this meeting but asked if the Board could direct the City Manager to look into donating \$2,000 to an organization.

Mr. Parness spoke in support of the donation.

Anthony Soroka, City Attorney, advised that action cannot be taken at this time but suggested donating under the City's Manager's authority, so it can be processed accordingly.

Mr. Drosky spoke in support of the monetary donation and suggested that the City Manager reach out to municipalities in need to see what other services are needed, i.e. planning, fire, police, etc.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION was made by Mr. Parness, seconded by Chair Ganz, to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. Voice Vote:

Yeas: 5 - Mr. Drosky, Mr. Hudak, Mr. Parness, Vice Chair Preston and Chair Ganz

Nays: 0

BILL GANZ, CHAIR

Samantha Gillyard, CMC, City Clerk