

**Minutes of the
Community Redevelopment Agency
Regular Meeting
Monday, January 12th, 2015 @ 6:30 p.m.
Council Chamber, City Hall**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Farley called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Boardmembers Present: Chairman Jim Farley, Boardmember Mike Gudis, Boardmember Paula Wheeler, Vice Chairman Ken Brown, Boardmember Robert Holmes

Boardmembers Absent: None

Staff Present: David Burnell, CRA Administrator; Cliff Taylor, CRA Attorney; Mia Fink, City Clerk; Michelle Russell, Finance Director; Jackie Gorman, Planning Director; Lou Kneip; Public Works Director

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion to adopt the agenda was made by Boardmember Wheeler; seconded by Boardmember Holmes. Motion carried unanimously.

3. PRESENTATIONS

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approve Minutes of CRA Meeting held December 8, 2014

Motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Boardmember Wheeler; seconded by Boardmember Gudis. Motion carried unanimously.

6. PUBLIC INPUT

7. CRA ATTORNEY

8. CRA ADMINISTRATOR

A. Approval of Resolution #15-R-01 Steering Committee for the CRA Plan Update

Background: [Agenda Sheet **Requested Motion:** Motion to approve Resolution 15-R-01 forming an advisory committee for the purpose of researching options for the updating of the existing CRA Plan.

Summary: In the CRA meeting held November 27, the City Manager requested the Board to allow the development of a steering committee to specifically make recommendation to the Board in updating the CRA Plan. This resolution is setting forth this committee to complete the specific task described.

Staff Recommendation: Staff supports the development of the advisory committee.

End of Agenda Sheet]

Motion to adopt Resolution #15-R-01 was made by Boardmember Wheeler; seconded by Boardmember Gudis.

Council Discussion:

Boardmember Wheeler stated that the formation of this committee is a major step in moving forward with developing the CRA District.

Boardmember Brown agreed and spoke favorably of the committee make-up.

Motion carried unanimously.

B. Approval of Steering Committee Nominees

Background: [Agenda Sheet] **Requested Motion: Motion to appoint five (5) Community Redevelopment Area (CRA) Steering Committee Members for the updating of City of Crystal River Community Redevelopment Area Plan**

Summary: At the November 27, 2014 CRA meeting, the City Manager requested the Board to allow the development of a Steering Committee to specifically make recommendations to the Board in updating the CRA Plan. This committee is temporary in nature with the intended commitment in time of sixty (60) to ninety (90) days. GAI Consulting would be leading the committee through the appropriate steps to meet CRA requirements including public input.

Public Notice was advertised on December 11, 2014 with applications taken until Friday, December 26, 2014. Only two applications were submitted in writing and are part of the proposed committee. Since the public notice did not limit applicants to only submitted applications, staff took steps to fill the vacancies. The other three proposed members responded positively to a query by staff in an effort to fill the vacancies. Two respondents do not fill the specific requested committee make-up but staff believes it meets the intent of the intended makeup.

One individual that is a member of the Crystal River Area Council	Candidate is member of CRAC
One individual operating a business on South Citrus business south of US19 in CRA	Candidate owns/operates
One individual operating a business on North Citrus business north of US 19 in CRA	Candidate owns/operates
One individual owning property along the future Riverwalk Riverwalk (Submitted)	Candidate owns property on
One individual residing in the CRA CRA (Submitted)	Candidate owns and lives in

Staff Recommendation: Staff has no recommendations. This is a Board function to determine who sits on this committee.

End of Agenda Sheet]

CRA Administrator Burnell provided a brief overview of the item.

Council Discussion:

Chairman Farley advised that he would prefer a staff person to act as a liaison and Boardmember Gudis agreed.

Boardmember Wheeler advised that she would prefer to have a Councilmember act as a liaison, adding that she would be interested in filling that role, and asked for clarification regarding the applicability of sunshine laws to steering committees versus advisory committees, which CRA Attorney Taylor provided.

Boardmember Gudis remarked that the nominees are certainly representative of the CRA area.

Motion to approve was made by Boardmember Gudis; seconded for discussion by Boardmember Brown.

Boardmember Brown feels the 60-90 day time period is too loose, proposing that a more exact time frame be established. He then asked how many times the committee would be willing to meet in order to accomplish their designated task.

Boardmember Gudis amended the motion to include the verbiage "... for a period of no more than 90 days".

Consensus was then reached among Boardmembers to allow Boardmember Wheeler to act as the committee liaison.

Motion carries unanimously, as amended.

9. COMMUNICATIONS

10. BOARD MEMBERS COMMENTS

A. Jim Farley, Chair

Advised that the upcoming State of the City address will be a positive one.

B. Mike Gudis

C. Paula Wheeler

D. Ken Brown, Vice Chair

Stated that he feels the CRA is headed in the right direction and congratulated members of the newly formed advisory committee.

E. Robert Holmes, Vice Chair

Stated that he is glad the CRA is moving forward and making efforts to do the right thing.

Boardmember Wheeler stated that she assumed people on the committee will be able to receive input from other sources and bring it back to the committee.

Vice Chairman Holmes asked if the committee would have access to the CRA Attorney to address any questions they may have, since ordinance revision will be part of the process. CRA Administrator Burnell confirmed that they would be able to direct legal questions through him.

Boardmember Brown stated that he wished to see recommendations for improvements to all areas of the CRA, not just the Riverwalk, especially portions north and east of Highway 19.

11. PUBLIC INPUT

Dee Atkins-3851 N. Nokomis Point- Stated that she appreciates the work done by the CRA Board

12. ADJOURNMENT

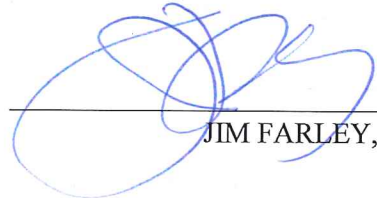
Chairman Farley adjourned the meeting at 6:48p.m.

CITY OF CRYSTAL RIVER

ATTEST:



MIA FINK, CITY CLERK



JIM FARLEY, MAYOR