

**POMPANO BEACH
COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

**EAST CRA ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday, September 5, 2019
Emma Lou Olson Civic Center
6:00 p.m.

A. CALL TO ORDER

Jack Rogerson called the meeting of the East CRA Advisory Committee to order at 6:00 p.m.

B. ROLL CALL

PRESENT

Jack Rogerson – Chairman
Judy Niswonger
Robert Shelley
David Mingus
Ray Lubomski
Rafael Katz
Fred Stacer
Stephen Purkiss

ABSENT

ALSO PRESENT

Commissioner Tom McMahon
Nguyen Tran – CRA Director
Kim Vazquez – Project Manager
Marsha Carmichael – CRA Administrator
Dani Peruzzi- Project Coordinator
Dahlia Baker – Program Manager

C. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/REORDERING

The Pier Hotel & Retail Development update is moved as a discussion item prior to discussion on the FY2020 budget as a project line item has been added which effects the budget.

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Robert Shelley to approve the minutes of the ECRA Advisory Committee Meeting of July 18, 2019. Seconded by Fred Stacer. Motion was approved unanimously.

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E. NEW BUSINESS

1. Pier Hotel & Retail Development

This item was moved up on the agenda since it has an impact on the budget.

Nguyen Tran, Director reported the Archway is part of a development agreement and will cost approximately \$400,000. There are many different styles of arches that can be chosen. Paul Kissinger designed this archway. Everyone wants this to be an iconic fixture, but we can go with a simpler less expensive design, but it won't be as eye catching as the one Paul has designed. The arch is made of steel and special concrete and is hurricane safe. There will be pilings to support it.

Much discussion was had by the Advisory Committee and staff. The group wants to see a comparison of the two choices and get more complete presentation where a better decision can be made.

A Pompano Beach Resident spoke and was concerned about the lack of information involved for the Committee to make an informed decision.

The Committee tabled deciding on the plaza improvements and arch until they have more detailed information and a comparison of different options.

2. East CRA FY2020 Budget Approval

Kim Vazquez, Project Manager, reviewed the budget with the Committee line by line and pointed out the differences in the proposed budget presented at the July meeting and the final budget.

Motion made by Robert Shelley to approve the ECRA FY2020 Budget provided that prior to any expenditure of the funds allocated for Pier Plaza and Arch improvements in the amount of \$400,000, the ECRA Committee receive a more detailed presentation on the planned improvements. Seconded by Fred Stacer. Motion was approved unanimously.

E. OLD BUSINESS

1. Update on Oceanside Master Plan

Nothing new to report.

2. Update on the McNab House Relocation

Nguyen Tran told the committee the lease has been presented and approved by the Board. The City Commission approved the lease on first reading and it is on the next

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City Commission meeting for second reading. The movers have been selected and will not move the house until after the holiday festivities take place in park but it will be before January 26th.

Kay McGinn, 2460 SE 5th Street, is still not behind this decision.

Kay Johnson, 3203 SE 23 Ave., wants everyone to take their time making this decision in order to research and consider the input of the citizens. She mentioned the comeback of the shuffleboard in the area and wants to keep the courts. She voiced her concern about the traffic as well.

Judith Niswonger mentioned the likeness of Miami Botanical Gardens and handed out information on the existing Botanical Gardens. She suggested looking into this type of garden for McNab Park. **Jack Rogerson** said the house is a done deal. The park is still up for discussion and the charettes will be coming soon. The basketball court and the tennis court are remaining. There will be many more presentations and discussions before the entire park will be redesigned.

KEY PROJECTS

1. Innovation District

Nguyen Tran reported the RFP portion is being finalized.

2. Fishing Pier

Horacio Danovich reported the Grand Opening will be October 18th and the front entrance will be completed next week. Admission cost for the pier has not been decided yet.

3. Pier Hotel & Retail Development

Jack Rogerson reported the Oceanic grand opening was a wonderful event and everyone should consider going to this restaurant. The other parts of the development are coming along as well.

STAFF REPORTS

Commissioner McMahon - No report.

Marsha Carmichael – No report.

Kim Vazquez –No report.

Nguyen Tran – reported Kim Vazquez and Dani Peruzzi visited the Miami Botanical

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Gardens and spoke with the staff and are getting ideas for the McNab project.

Dani Peruzzi - No report.

Dahlia Baker – reported next week on Thursday, September 12, there will be a meet and greet with the Chamber and City at the E Pat Larkins.

COMMITTEE COMMENTS

Rafael Katz asked BSO to please help with the vagrancy problem. It seems to have increased since the PSC is no longer a contractor.

Fred Stacer – No report.

David Mingus – No report.

Judy Niswonger – asked how close Lucky Fish is to breaking ground and the answer was they are on the third phase of the permit process.

Steven Purkiss – suggested there be a timeline when the CRA makes an agreement with a developer. A timeline for breaking ground at least.

Bob Shelley - said everyone is doing a great job.

Jack Rogerson explained there is a Task Force for the homeless made up of many professional people and they are moving forward and will be making recommendations soon.

NEXT MEETING – Thursday, October 3, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at Emma Lou Olson Civic Center.

K. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other business, the meeting of the East CRA Advisory Committee adjourned at 7:25 p.m.