

**POMPANO BEACH  
COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**

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**Northwest CRA ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MEETING MINUTES**

Monday, July 1, 2019  
E. Pat Larkins Civic Center  
6:00 p.m.

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

**Whitney Rawls** called the meeting of the Northwest CRA Advisory Committee to order at 6:05 p.m.

**B. ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT**

Whitney Rawls – Chairman  
Shelton Pooler  
Jay Ghanem – Vice Chair  
Veronica Thomas  
Phyllis Smith

**ABSENT**

Velma Flowers

**ALSO PRESENT**

Nguyen Tran, CRA Director  
Kim Vazquez, CRA Project Manager  
Dahlia Baker, Workforce Program Director  
Danni Sabbat, CRA Project Coordinator  
Marsha Carmichael, CRA Administrator

**C. ADDITIONS/DELETIONS/REORDERING**

None.

**D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. June 3, 2019

**Motion made by Jay Ghanem to approve the minutes from the NWCRA Advisory Committee Meeting of June 3, 2019. Seconded by Phyllis Smith. Motion was approved unanimously.**

**E. AUDIENCE TO BE HEARD**

**Willy Miller**, asked if the Senior Citizen Center will be discussed and the answer was no.

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## F. OLD BUSINESS

1. Conveyance of CRA Property to the City for BSO Substation (441 NW 27<sup>th</sup> Ave.)

**Nguyen Tran**, CRA Director, reported on this item and explained exactly where this property is located. The old Substation will be demolished. The substation will now be located in an area where it is much more needed. He reviewed the rendering of what the substation will look like. Staff recommends approval of this item.

**Willy Miller** commented that his grandmother lives in the area and he is looking forward to this area being cleaned up. He thinks this will benefit Collier City.

Another concerned citizen asked if they are going to rename the building and the answer was no.

**Rob Phillips** commented the streets in that area are drug infested and this relocation of the substation should greatly help the area in reference to drugs.

Both **Phyllis Smith** and **Veronica Thomas** agree the substation should be built in Collier City. Much discussion was had by the Committee. Some felt it would be wise to have two substations.

**Motion made by Jay Ghanem to approve the conveyance of CRA Property to the City for the new BSO Substation located at 441 NW 27 Ave. and to also find a location for another substation in District 4. Seconded by Shelton Pooler. Motion was approved unanimously.**

## G. NEW BUSINESS

1. NW CRA FY 2020 Draft Budget

**Kim Vazquez**, CRA Project Manager reviewed the Budget in detail and all the Committee Members had back up to follow along with each line. Much discussion was had between the audience and the Committee. The Audience wanted to study the budget and be informed before the final vote in September. Committee members were concerned that some things might not be in the budget that should be in the budget. Kim Vazquez stated the proposed budget is posted on the CRA website and if requested, a copy can be provided.

### 2. DIRECTOR/STAFF REPORT

1. Financial Report – Detail Statement of Activities – May 2019

The Committee will review and bring forth any comments next month.

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**3. KEY PROJECTS**

- MLK Boulevard Streetscape and Resurfacing Project (Phase I, II and III)
- Innovation District
- Kensington Town Home
- City Vista Co-Working Space
- Old Town Streetscapes – It's about sixty days away from beginning.
- Anne Gillis Park
- Culinary Kitchen
- Patagonia Project

**Mr. Tran** read the attached memo into the record.

**J. COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS**

**Shelton Pooler** – no report.

**Phyllis Smith** invited everyone to the Collier City Family Fun Day on August 10. There will be a barbeque contest and they need a judge if anyone is interested. There is a free Diabetes Workshop on July 6 from 1:30 – 3:00 pm. She also mentioned the July Collier City HOA Meeting is cancelled.

**Veronica Thomas** – no report.

**Jay Ghanem** – regarding the substation we are in need of these services. We deserve to receive these services and have it all.

**Whitney Rawls** – commented the residents should have their say in all aspects. A Police substation is a benefit for the community. What was missing from the City's plan is to replace the substation that we will not have in District Four. He is hoping we can be creative in our budget to make up for this substation being removed from District Four.

**NEXT MEETING – Monday, September 9, 2019 at 6:00 p.m. at E. Pat Larkins Civic Center.**

**K. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no other business, the meeting of the NW CRA Advisory Committee meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.