



COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 11, 2020

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Derek Blakeslee called the meeting of the Community Redevelopment Agency Advisory Board to order at 5:05 pm in City Hall's 3rd Floor Conference Room.

Quorum was declared present.

Present via GoTo Webinar: Chairman Derek Blakeslee, Vice-Chairman Nick Asma, and Board Members: Tim Keating, Tara Moore, Donald Wingate, Larry Cappleman, George Spigener (arrived 5:08 pm in person) and Daniel Starks (arrived 5:17 pm)

Staff Present: City Manager Mike Bollhoefer, Finance Director Laura Zielonka, Economic Development Director Tanya Gerhartz, IT Director Chad Morrill and recording secretary Colene Rivera

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairman Blakeslee stated that the minutes from previous meeting were sent out as part of the meeting packet. Everyone acknowledged receipt and no one stated any changes needed.

Motion by Chairman Blakeslee to approve the minutes as sent out. No second was made/ called for. All approved the minutes of regular meeting minutes of August 13, 2019. The motion carried unanimously 6 – 0. (George Spigener and Daniel Starks, not yet present during this vote.)

3. DISCUSSION – Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2020

The proposed 2021 budget was emailed out prior to meeting and reviewed by board.

General discussion ensued regarding the development plans for East Winter Garden and various properties owned by the city for single family homes along with coordination of various property owners for development of commercial and industrial locations. City Manager Bollhoefer stated the starting point for this revitalization would be at the intersection of Center Street and 10th Street. He expressed that this project is progressing along nicely and appears to be more like a ten-year plan rather than twenty-year plan. The various entities in East Winter Garden will need to present their concepts to CRA Board for city review and approval and apply for funding, etc. The 2021 budget will remain flexible.

Motion by Larry Cappleman to recommend approval of the Fiscal Year 2021 budget. Seconded by Tim Keating and the motion carried unanimously 7 – 0. (Daniel Starks was not yet present at this meeting during this vote)

4. DISCUSSION – Open questions

Board members inquired about how long the Plant Street outdoor dining areas would remain. City Manager stated that the market will dictate the demand for removal of the outdoor seating in order to re-establish the on street parking. Many of the board members expressed their desire to keep the additional outdoor seating even beyond the COVID-19 restrictions.

Board members also inquired about an update on the downtown boutique hotel? City Manager explained the final construction plans are moving along with this project.

4. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 5:18 pm.

ATTEST:

/S/

Recording Secretary Colene Rivera

APPROVED:

/S/

Chairman Derek Blakeslee