

SUMMARY MINUTES

REGULAR COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING

March 28, 2006

A regular meeting of the Chairman and Members of the Community Redevelopment Agency was held in the North Miami Council Chambers of City Hall on Tuesday, March 28, 2006, beginning at 5:35 p.m.

(Phonetic spelling of each speaker’s name may be used throughout the minutes unless correct spelling is known.)

Flag salute

ROLL CALL

Marie Erlande Steril	Here
Scott Galvin	Arrived at 5:52 pm
Chairman Kevin A. Burns	Here
Jacques Despinosse	Arrived at 5:58 pm
Michael R. Blynn	Here

Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting – Tuesday, March 14, 2006, approved by Board.

ITEMS FOR REVIEW AND/OR ACTION

**1. UPDATE **AFFORDABLE HOUSING
PURCHASE OF RENTAL APARTMENT
BUILDINGS****

The Executive Director gave an update to the Board on the investigation underway regarding purchase of rental apartments for retention as affordable rentals and conversion to affordable condominiums.

The Executive Director advised the Board that Ed Marquez, CRA Financial Advisor, among others, were assisting with this investigation, in addition to is researching the availability of financing with various banking institutions.

Board discussion.

2. **PRESENTATION** **AFFORDABLE HOUSING:
NEW CONSTRUCTION**

**RUCK’S PARK STATUS REPORT
BY NORTH MIAMI HOUSING**

Discussion, brief presentations and a review of the timeline of the Ruck’s Park Project from Otis Pitts and Nadine Pierre Louis, North Miami Housing; and Clive Judson, Siskind, Carlson, Judson, Architects. Board discussion.

The Board approved 5-0, townhouse over townhouse, site plan B.

Steven Zelkowitz, Board Attorney, requested copies from North Miami Housing of contracts that have been entered into by North Miami Housing.

3. **INFORMATION REPORTS** – Provided in the Agenda Packet

A. Advisory Committee
 Meeting Minutes, March 9, 2006

B. Press

 “How to Create Affordable Housing,” Miami Sun Post, March 2006

 “North Miami Pioneers Development with Compassion, “ Biscayne Boulevard Times, March 2006

 “New schools mean moving parks,” Miami Herald, March 19, 2006

C. Marketing and Public Relations

 Participation in Town Hall Meeting, March 8, 2006, North Miami Elementary School

 Presentation on Community Redevelopment by the Executive Director at the League of Women Voters Meeting, March 15, 2006, Delray Beach Community Center

 Participation in “What’s the Buzz in North Miami” community discussions (Breakfast and Dinner), March 18, 2006

Co-Sponsorship of the April Monthly Dinner of the Miami Dade County League of Cities, April 6, 2006, Kovens Center at FIU's North Miami Campus

Presentation on "Kelo v City of New London: Clarifying the 'Public Use' Requirement in Condemnation for Economic Development," by the Executive Director at The Appraisal Institute's Quarterly Seminar, "The Appraiser's Role in New Urbanism," Don Shula's Golf Club, April 22, 2006

Radio Program Interview of Executive Director on the topic of Community Redevelopment, "Closer Look," 5:00 PM, Sunday, April 2, 2006, by EMF Broadcasting which operates two national radio networks with 188 stations in 44 states, including 4 stations in Florida as well as an internet broadcast on **www.Air1.com**.

4. REPORTS

A. BOARD MEMBERS

Various items of interest presented by the Board.

B. CRA ATTORNEY

(NONE)

C. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

(NONE)

D. NEXT CRA BOARD MEETING: APRIL 11, 2006 AT 5:30 PM

NEXT CRA ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING: WEDNESDAY, APRIL 5, 2006 AT 6:00 PM

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:52 p.m.