

## SUMMARY MINUTES

### REGULAR COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING

June 8, 2010

A regular meeting of the Chairman and Members of the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Board was held in the North Miami Council Chambers of City Hall on Tuesday, June 8, 2010, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

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

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Flag salute

#### I. ROLL CALL

Board Member Marie Erlande Steril	Here
Board Member Scott Galvin	Here
Chairman Andre D. Pierre	Here
Board Member Jean Rodrigue Marcellus	Here
Board Member Michael R. Blynn	Here

#### Additions, Deletions or Withdrawals

Tab 1, pulled

#### II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Regular Meeting – Tuesday, May 11, 2010.

Board Member Galvin moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Board Member Blynn; passed unanimously.

#### III. ITEMS FOR REVIEW AND/OR ACTION

**TAB 1 – REQUEST TO APPROVE FUNDING ASSISTANCE IN AN AMOUNT UP TO \$15,000 TO FACILITATE THE EFFORTS OF THE NEIGHBORHOOD ASSISTANCE CORPORATION OF**

**AMERICA, INC (NACA) TO OPEN A SERVICE OFFICE IN THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA AT 708 NE 125<sup>TH</sup> STREET**

This item pulled. No action taken.

**TAB 2 – REQUEST TO APPROVE COMMERCIAL GRANT AWARDS IN AN AMOUNT UP TO \$124,982 FOR SIX (6) NEW PROJECT APPLICATIONS THAT WERE RECEIVED DURING THE PERIOD OF MARCH 22 – APRIL 5, 2010**

The CRA Executive Director advised the Board of new applications received for the CRA Commercial Grant Program and recommendations for approval of the CRA Board for six (6) new projects. The CRA Executive Director reported the CRA Advisory Committee endorsed the recommendations by a 6-1 vote. The CRA Executive advised the CRA Board that each of the applicants were present. The CRA Executive Director reviewed the process regarding grant funding amounts. Board discussion. Board Member Galvin moved to approve the request for commercial grant awards as presented, seconded by Board Member Steril; passed unanimously.

**TAB 3 – STATUS UPDATES FROM THE VARIOUS AGENCIES THAT RECEIVED FY 2009-10 CRA FUNDING IN THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$250,000 THROUGH THE RFP FOR SOCIO-ECONOMIC AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS AND SERVICES**

The CRA Executive Director advised the various agencies receiving funding were present to provide the Board a status update of socio-economic and business development programs and services provided.

Luis DeRosa representing Dynamic Community Development Corporation, a small business technical assistance program gave a brief report to the Board regarding a recent workshop communicating types of services available.

Representatives from Fanm Ayisyen Nan Miyami, Inc. were not present. The CRA Executive Director advised the agency would be placed on the next Agenda.

Ron Welsandt, representing Greater North Miami Chamber of Commerce with the business development program gave a brief

report to the Board regarding economic development programs including the business expo, recruiting new businesses to the area, informational meetings to the community and tv programs promoting the Chamber. Mr. Welsandt further advised of upcoming banking, real estate and marketing seminars to be scheduled. Chairman Pierre recommended involving students in businesses. Mr. Welsandt advised the Board Mr. Zelkowitz resigned as a Board Member of the Board of Directors.

Representatives from JHS & Associates, Inc. were excused and the CRA Executive Director advised the agency would be placed on the next Agenda.

Representatives from NANAY, Inc. were excused and the CRA Executive Director advised the agency would be placed on the next Agenda.

Debbie Kleinberg representing North Miami Foundations for Senior Citizens', helping seniors remain in their homes gave a brief report to the Board regarding assistance given to senior citizens, including disaster preparedness and home maintenance.

Representatives from Partners for Self-Employment, Inc. were unable to attend and the CRA Executive Director advised the agency would be placed on the next Agenda.

Officer Willie Waldon, representing the North Miami Police Athletic League (PAL) of North Miami, Inc. gave a brief report to the Board regarding the training facility offering fitness, nutritional training and job placement.

Representatives from PTSA Collaboration were not present. The CRA Executive Director advised the agency would be placed on the next Agenda.

#### **IV. REPORTS**

##### **A. Board Members**

Board Members presented various items of interest.

##### **B. CRA Attorney**

(NONE)

C. Executive Director

The CRA Executive Director reported on the Global Real Estate Conference that he attended and would provide a report to the Board.

The CRA Executive Director advised of a vacancy on the CRA Advisory Committee.

The CRA Executive Director scheduled an Executive Session for Tuesday, June 22, 2010, at 5:00 p.m.

D. Next Regular Board Meeting: Tuesday, June 22, 2010, at 5:30 p.m. at City Council Chambers.

Next Regular Advisory Committee Meeting – Monday, June 12, 2010, at 6:00 p.m. at City Council Chambers

**V. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 6:19 p.m.