

SUMMARY MINUTES

REGULAR COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Monday, May 5th, 2008

A regular meeting of the Chairman and Members of the Community Redevelopment Agency Advisory Committee (CRAAC) was held at the North Miami City Council Chambers at 5:31 p.m.

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

I. Call to Order

ROLL CALL	Absent/ Present	Absences 2007-08*
Blanca Cobo	P	3
Inez Couch	A	1
Judy Feldman	P	1
Dr. Smith Joseph	P	5
Michael McDearmaid	P	0
Roseline Philippe	P	0
Clark Reynolds	P	2
David Rosemond	5:42	1
Duke Sorey	A	4
Armando Vidal	A	3
Mark Wolin	P	0
* Absences from special or rescheduled meetings are not counted		

II. Approval of Agenda

The CRA Executive Director requested the addition of a status update of the proposed amendments to the CRA Redevelopment Plan under 'New Business'. The agenda was then unanimously approved as amended.

III. Approval of Minutes

Relative to the minutes of the CRAAC meeting on April 7, 2008, Mr. Wolin requested that the word "additional" be removed from the motion to hold two town hall meetings as part of the budget preparation process. Mr. Wolin also requested that the minutes be changed with regards to his statements relative to the Saturday Night Live event; he was not 100% against using CRA revenue to fund this event. He believed that the event is great and deserves support but was

not completely convinced that the CRA was the appropriate source for that support.

Finally Mr. Wolin requested more detail in the minutes when describing his inquiries about the phase II of the Pioneer Gardens remediation plan.

The CRA Executive Director replied that the CRA Staff will double check the recording and verify the requested changes to the minutes. The minutes were then unanimously approved as amended on condition of verification of the recording.

IV. Items for Review and/or Action

Tab 1 - CRA Financial Status Report as of March 31, 2008

The CRA Executive Director gave a description of the financial status report, describing both the revenues and expenditures. With regards to CRA personnel, the CRA Executive Director explained that while the CRA has an approved TO of six, full-time positions, the CRA is currently operating with a staff of three full-time positions and a part-time secretary. In order to save on funds, the CRA anticipates expanding the staff when the workload has increased sufficiently to justify additional staff.

V. Old Business

Mr. Wolin asked whether or not a phase II plan for environmental remediation at Pioneer Gardens had been finished, and if so, how much will it cost and how long will it take? The CRA Executive Director replied that the CRA and Urban Residential Group are currently working on the phase II plan and the time frame and costs are not yet known.

Mr. Wolin asked whether or not the Joint CRA Board and Advisory Committee Budget Workshop will be televised. The CRA Executive Director replied that it will not. Mr. Wolin expressed disappointment that it was decided to not televise the workshop and commented that he did not see much advertising of the workshop to the public. The CRA Executive Director replied that the workshop was advertised on local radio, on the City's television channel, in the Neighbors section of the Miami Herald newspaper, through a blast email was sent out to all those that subscribe to the North Miami CRA mailing list, and through notices posted at City Hall. Mr. Wolin said that he would have liked to see a blast email delivered to the home owners associations and Chamber of Commerce mailing lists as well.

VI. New Business

A. Information regarding the upcoming 2008 Annual Conference of the Florida Redevelopment Association in Tampa, Florida from October 22-24, 2008

The CRA Executive Director told the CRA Advisory Committee about the FRA 2008 annual conference and encouraged the committee members to attend.

B. Status Update of the Proposed Amendments to the CRA Redevelopment Plan

The CRA Executive Director reviewed the current language in the proposed amendments to the CRA Redevelopment Plan as per recent discussions with County staff.

VII. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:08 pm

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