



Community Redevelopment Advisory Board Regular Meeting Minutes

November 6, 2024 at 5:30 PM

City Hall Commission Chambers
401 S. Park Avenue

Present

Carlos Benitez, Jay Trent, Pragasen Ramiah, Michael Perelman

Absent

Lindsay Eriksson

Staff Present

Assistant Director of Economic Development and CRA Kyle Dudgeon, CRA Coordinator Anne Sallee, Director of Office of Management & Budget Peter Moore

1. Call to Order

Carlos Benitez called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

2. Consent Agenda

- a. Approve the minutes of October 17, 2024

**Motion made by Mr. Trent to approve the minutes, seconded by Dr. Perelman.
Motion carried unanimously with a 4-0 vote.**

3. Public Comments (for items not on the agenda)

4. Action Items

- a. CIP Discussion & Direction

Staff reported the CRA was extended and expanded. Appreciation was conveyed for the numerous individuals, the Mayor, the previous Mayor and Mr. Dudgeon who pushed for the extension and expansion. The CRA has become multi-jurisdictional with thirteen more years to continue doing wonderful things in the city. Mr. Trent read the letter sent to residents from the Mayor thanking staff for their work on the extension/expansion.

The \$8M playhouse grant was approved through the Tourist Development Tax (TDT) Fund. The Playhouse is raising \$2M for the \$10M project. Mr. Moore expounded on the TDT grant; \$6M of the \$8M requested will be received this fiscal year, \$2M will be floated, \$1M in 2026 and \$1M in 2028. Based on the timing of the grant, it suggests CRA funds may not be needed.

Staff presented a draft pro forma CIP list. Discussion took place on the list of capital projects, revised timelines and values. After approval by the Board, the CIP will be presented to the Agency at their next meeting on November 13.

Motion made by Mr. Benitez to amend the existing project balances and approve the revised 5 year CIP; seconded by Dr. Perelman. The motion carried unanimously by a 4-0 vote.

5. Non-Action Items

6. Staff Updates

a. Project Updates

Mr. Dudgeon provided an update on the MLK unity corner and invited the board to visit the sculpture at the foundry in Sanford. Staff met with the Winter Park Library to coordinate event planning around the MLK installation. The estimated target date for the ribbon cutting ceremony is February 15, 2024.

Staff updated the Board and discussed a number of the listed projects. Mr. Moore informed the Board of the temporary holiday parking deal on the lots behind Häagen-Dazs for 60 spaces of free public parking.

7. Board Comments

Board was reminded of the CRA meeting the following Wednesday, 11/13/24 at 2 p.m.

8. Upcoming Agenda Items

The next Advisory Board meeting is scheduled for January 23, 2025

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Approved by the board on February 27, 2025
/s/ Bahiyyah Layton, Board Coordinator