



City of Jacksonville Beach

11 North Third Street
Jacksonville Beach, Florida

Workshop Meeting Minutes

Community Redevelopment Agency

Wednesday, June 16th 2021

3:00 PM

Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

This meeting was called to order at 3:00PM

ROLL CALL

Art Graham (Chairperson), Frances Povloski (Vice-Chairperson), Jeffrey Jones, Gary Paetau, David McGraw

All CRA board members were present.

DOWNTOWN CAPE UPDATE

Mark Evans gave an update on the status of the upcoming Orange Crush festival planning to be in Jacksonville/Jacksonville Beach area June 18-20.

Mr. Evans stated that the only planned 'official' event at the beaches was set to be at Seachasers, and that has since been cancelled.

The police department will be fully staffed, as well as having officers from other agencies assisting over the weekend. They will be working around the clock. He also reported none of the hotels are at full capacity at this time, and many of them are only around 75% full, which is historically slow for this time of year.

Mr. Evans said the police department is as prepared for this as they possibly could be and are ready.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Gary Paetau mentioned that at the last meeting he was tasked with beginning the steps necessary to require uniform construction fencing in the CRA districts. He let the board know he met with both building and public works, and at this time there is currently no ordinance that requires any specific type of fencing.

Mr. Paetau handed out a document to the board for review and further discussion at a future meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

No new business at this time.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

a. Sunshine Park Update – Jason Phitides, Director, Parks and Recreation

Mr. Trevor Hughes gave the board a document containing all of the current and upcoming projects within parks and recreation. The board discussed the projects and timelines, and will receive another update at the next regularly scheduled meeting.

Mr. Hughes noted that he understands the medians and landscaping do not reflect the standard the CRA is wanting, and let them know they went roughly 6 weeks with no contractor maintaining those areas. They have since rehired a new contractor who is beginning the work now.

Ms. Povlovski requested that staff share all of these updates and projects with council.

b. Bike Rack, Bollards, Trash Cans, and Seating Options Discussion – Kody Smith, DixHite

The board wrapped up the meeting discussing options for items in the downtown site furnishings and implementations plan(s). Director of Planning and Development, Heather Ireland, explained that for all of the options they would receive three dots and could choose their top 3, and the top selection would be what staff will move forward with. The only exception to this were the artistic racks, which they would choose 5 each, to reflect the 5 locations.

The board decided to go with large and keyhole regular bike racks, all with the Jacksonville Beach logo originally presented by Public Works Director, Dennis Barron.

Some discussion came about the choices of the artistic racks. Board members Frances Povlovski and Jeffrey Jones were strongly under the impression they were just to select ‘themes’ and then have more time to finalize the specific racks. Board member David McGraw and Chairman Art Graham disagreed and stated they thought this was to decide the artistic racks, since the board chose to take them out of the art plan, and that staff would finalize the specific racks and which location the best fit. They both noted they understand the rack chosen at the meeting may not reflect the exact rack at the sites, but that this would be the theme/concept. Ms. Povlovski stated if this was the direction they were to go, she would not cast an official vote at the next board meeting as she did not agree with this process.

Mr. Gary Paetau said he understood this the way that Mr. Graham and Mr. McGraw did, and the board moved forward with making selections to vote on at the next board meeting.

COURTESY OF THE FLOOR TO VISITORS

No visitors registered to speak.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:08PM

NOTICE

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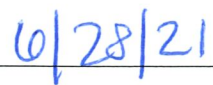
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In accordance with Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes, any person desirous of appealing any decision reached at this meeting may need a record of the proceedings. Such person may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

cc: Mike Staffopoulos, City Manager



Art Graham, Chairman



Date