MINUTES
STUART COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
HELD March 22, 2021
AT 5:00 PM Commission Chambers
121 SW FLAGLER AVE.
STUART, FLORIDA 34994

COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
Chairperson - Eula R. Clarke
Vice Chairperson - Merritt Matheson
Board Member - Becky Bruner
Board Member - Troy McDonald
Board Member - Mike Meier
Ex Officio Board Member - Tom Campenni
Ex Officio Board Member - Pete Walson (ABSENT)

ADMINISTRATIVE
City Manager, David Dyess
CRA Administrator, Pinal Gandhi-Savdas
City Attorney, Michael J. Mortell
City Clerk, Mary R. Kindel

5:01 PM ROLL CALL

Present: Chairperson Clarke, Vice Chairperson Matheson, Board Member Bruner, Board Member McDonald, Board Member Meier, Board Member Campenni
Absent: Board Member Walson

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

5:03 PM Board Member Meier moved approval.
Board Member Campenni seconded the Motion.
Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. APPROVAL OF 2/22/2021 CRA MINUTES

5:03 PM Board Member McDonald moved approval.
Board Member Campenni seconded the Motion.
Motion passed unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD MEMBERS

Board Member Matheson

- Commented on the enjoyable time at the gateway entrance triangle tour. He would like to see functionality of archways and the language in the code regarding downtown development. He thought they should note how archways and canopies are used and will keep that in mind for future projects. He also liked the sidewalk mosaics and would like to see more and would like some of the older ones redone.

Board Member Meier

- Commented that he learned a lot on the walking tour and thought they should find out from the Regional Planning Council how form-based code could assist the CRA. He said he spoke with Julie Preast about registering the historic Potsdam neighborhood as a true historic district. He thought transit throughout the CRA, currently feels disjointed and how they can offer transportation alternatives for more connectivity for walking and biking.

Board Member Campenni

- Reported that he agreed with both topics, but said because this is the CRA, they'll have to bring that all up again if they want to go further in the CRA, and thought form-based code would relieve a lot of problems.

Chairperson Clarke

- Announced she is working with staff to get form-based code in East Stuart and thought the City should work with other agencies such as the Arts Council on redevelopment.

5:15 PM COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC (3 min. max)

1) Michelle McCrain – California Ave; Commented that she lives in the Potsdam neighborhood and began the mosaic project and said if they do want to refurbish any mosaics, she would be happy to assist.

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5:17 PM 2. PRESENTATION OF THE NEW APPLICATIONS FOR THE BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT REIMBURSEMENT PROGRAM FOR FY 2021.

Pinal Gandhi-Savdas presented the Business Improvement Reimbursement Program submittals: Nobile Shoes for awnings, Therapeutic Massage, Inc. for siding and front porch, and Professional Condo Building Plaza for improvements to drainage, parking lot and general aesthetics.

5:27 PM Public Comment:

Monique Waters said that people don't realize what it takes to maintain Stuart and keep the aesthetics and hopes others realize what goes into this.

5:24 PM MOTION: Motion for all three for approval, and to extend the program.
MOVED BY: Board Member McDonald
SECONDED BY: Board Member Bruner
Motion passed unanimously.

5:28 PM ADJOURNMENT

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Mary R. Kindel, Secretary **Eula R. Clarke, Chair**

Minutes to be approved at the CRA Meeting
Meeting this 26th day April, 2021.