



MINUTES

COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT/HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD

JULY 6, 2021 AT 4:00PM

CITY COMMISSION CHAMBERS

121 S.W. FLAGLER AVE.

STUART, FLORIDA 34994

COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT BOARD MEMBERS

Chairman – Chris Lewis

Vice Chairman – Tom Campenni

Board Member – Nina Dooley

Board Member – Katherine Makemson

Board Member – Nikolaus Schroth

Board Member – Frank Wacha

Board Member – Pete Walson

ADMINISTRATIVE

Development Director, Kev Freeman

CRA Administrator, Pinal Gandhi-Savdas

Board Secretary, Jordan Pinkston

CALL TO ORDER

 4:00 PM

ROLL CALL

Present: Chris Lewis, Tom Campenni, Nina Dooley, Pete Walson, Nikolaus Schroth

Absent: Katherine Makemson, Frank Wacha

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

 4:01 PM

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

 4:01 PM

Action: Approve May 4, 2021 minutes.

Moved by: Pete Walson

Seconded by: Tom Campenni

Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Action: Approve.

Moved by: Tom Campenni

Seconded by: Pete Walson

Motion passed unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS (3 min. max): None.

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD MEMBERS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

Pete Walson asked for the completion date of Shepard's Park.

Staff said they do not have a completion date on hand.

COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT BOARD

1. Presentation of Gateway and District Signage

 4:04 PM

PRESENTATION: Pinal Gandhi-Savdas, CRA Administrator
Brian Goode, Kimley-Horn

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC (3 min. max):

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD MEMBERS:

Chris Lewis said he prefers option two.

Tom Campenni asked about the budget and replacing the additional sign on Kanner to keep it uniform.

Pinal Gandhi-Savdas said that she will be placing the design and construction in FY2022 budget and will reach out to FDOT to see if they are willing to replace the sign.

Pete Walson said that he preferred the one currently on Kanner to be replicated.

The board further discussed which signs should be replaced and how much they would cost.


The majority of the board confirmed that they prefer option two.

Pete Walson asked for clarification on the sign locations and if they are directional.

Brian Goode clarified that they are gateway signs and not wayfinding signs.

2. Presentation of New Applicants for the Business Improvement Reimbursement Program

PRESENTATION: Pinal Gandhi-Savdas, CRA Administrator

 4:21 PM

COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD MEMBERS:

1. Motor Cars of Stuart – Award \$7,948
2. Tropic Tint – Award \$8,177

Nik Schroth said that it was odd that we are approving a non-conforming project.

Pinal Gandhi-Savdas confirmed that the applicant has agreed to split the lot to do two signs and conform to code.

The board and staff further discussed the properties and a possible lot split.

Joanne Schultz explained that the properties are physically separated and past permits have been treated as two properties. Her goal for the additional funding is to make the signage more attractive.

Pete Walson recommended adding landscaping into the application.

Nik Schroth supported improvements but encouraged the city to work with other entities for improvements along the corridor. He also voiced his concerns about the project being non-conforming.

The board and applicant discussed landscaping options.

Tom Campenni recommended the applicant coming back next year with a landscaping plan and apply for funding again.

Mike Mortell clarified the pole sign ordinance.

3. Ziyad Investment Harvey Retail Plaza - \$10,000

No comments.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC (3 min. max): None.

MOTION

Action: Approve.

Moved by: Tom Campenni

Seconded by: Pete Walson

Motion passed unanimously.

OTHER MATTERS BEFORE THE BOARD:

Pete Walson commented on landscaping blocking monument signs.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION BOARD MATTERS: None.

STAFF UPDATE: None.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION

Action: Adjourn.

Moved by: Tom Campenni

Seconded by: Pete Walson

Motion passed unanimously.

UPCOMING MEETINGS and EVENTS: None.

Chris Lewis, Chair

Jordan Pinkston, Board Secretary