

## COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING



City of Fort Lauderdale  
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### Meeting Minutes - DRAFT

Tuesday, June 21, 2016

City Commission Conference Room

Meeting was called to order at 4:07 p.m. by Chair Seiler.

#### ATTENDANCE ROLL CALL

**Present:** Chair John P. "Jack" Seiler  
Vice Chair Dean J. Trantalis  
Commissioner Bruce G. Roberts  
Commissioner Romney Rogers

**Not Present:** Commissioner Robert L. McKinzie (Excused)

#### QUORUM ESTABLISHED

**Also Present:** Lee R. Feldman, Executive Director  
John Herbst, City Auditor  
Jeffrey A. Modarelli, Secretary  
Cynthia A. Everett, General Counsel  
Jonathan Brown, Area Manager, Northwest Progresso Flagler Heights Community  
Redevelopment Agency (NWPf CRA)

**CRA-1 16-0739** Proposed Classification and Compensation Structure and Benefits Options for the Fort Lauderdale Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA)

City Manager Feldman recommended the approval of this item stating the accuracy of the exhibit has been verified and confirmed the verified exhibit was based on the City's current pay plan for all City employees. Further comments and discussions ensued among the Commission about a definitive end to the employment of CRA employees when the CRA sunsets. Jonathan Brown, Area Manager, Northwest Progresso Flagler Heights Community Redevelopment Agency (NWPF CRA) stated he is communicating this to potential new hires. The Commission confirmed this must be stated in writing in the offer letter. Chair Seiler said he wants all offer letters to be forwarded to the City Attorney's Office for review to ensure an end date is included in any offer letter being sent out to potential CRA employees. Further comments and discussions ensued regarding guaranteeing in writing that CRA employees already hired have acknowledged there will be a definitive end to their employment with the CRA.

A motion to approve the proposed this item as was made by Commissioner Rogers and seconded by Commissioner Roberts.

**APPROVED – As Amended**

**Aye:** 4 - Commissioner Rogers, Commissioner Roberts, and Chair Seiler

**Not Present:** 1 - Vice-Chair Trantalis, Commissioner McKinzie

**CRA-2 16-0737** Motion to Approve a Community Redevelopment Agency Streetscape Funding Agreement with Steven B. Greenfield As Trustee of the Flagler Village Land Trust for the Quantum at Flagler Village Project - \$500,000.00

City Manager Feldman stated this item was removed at the request of City Auditor Herbst to allow his review of specific information City Auditor Herbst had requested. City Auditor Herbst noted he does not review any information the day of the meeting. Hence this item was removed from today's CRA Agenda. Comments and discussions ensued. It was noted the applicant was not informed this item was removed from the Agenda. City Auditor Herbst informed the applicant this was not a reflection on the applicant but is an internal City issue that needs to be addressed as part of the budget, procedural and statutory requirements.

Jim Dupree, 4651 Sheridan Street and designated representative of Flagler Village Land Trust, addressed the CRA Board with their comments and concerns regarding the delay.

Jorge Cepero, 4651 Sheridan Street and designated representative of Flagler Village Land Trust, addressed the CRA Board with their comments and concerns regarding the delay.

Chair Seiler cited the email chain he received noting the history of the issue of this item and stated the applicants should have been notified. Further comments, questions, and discussions ensued.

A motion to defer this item was made by Commissioner Roberts and was seconded by Commissioner Rogers.

**APPROVED - MOTION TO DEFER TO JULY 12, 2016**

**Aye:** 4 - Commissioner Rogers, Commissioner Roberts, Vice Chair Trantalis and Chair Seiler

**Not Present:** 1 - Commissioner McKinzie

**CRA-3 16-0749** Purchase of the Sixth Street Plaza

Jonathan Brown, Area Manager of the Northwest Progresso Flagler Heights Community Redevelopment Agency (NWPF CRA) stated there is a contract for the purchase of the Sixth Street Plaza, and the question now is if CRA Board wants to submit a backup offer. Chair Seiler noted that after discussions with the CRA Advisory Board, they felt this item was rushed to them, was not presented clearly, and did not include the proper information and documentation. Therefore, the CRA Advisory Board did not vote in support of this contract. Further comments and discussions ensued. The CRA Board deferred this item until the proper information and documentation can be reviewed by the CRA Advisory Board. Further comments and discussions ensued.

Chair Seiler recognized Michael McKinzie, no address given, who addressed the Board with his comments, questions, and concerns regarding this item.

Chair Seiler recognized Count Rosenthal, 1237 NW 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, who addressed the Board with his comments, questions, and concerns regarding this item.

Chair Seiler recognized Charles King, 105 N. Victoria Park Road, who addressed the Commission with his comments, questions, and concerns regarding this item.

Vice Chair Trantalis asked General Counsel Everett the status of the issue with Maria Freeman as it relates to the Sixth Street Plaza. General Counsel Everett stated she did not know and would get back to Vice Chair Trantalis with an answer. Further discussions and comments ensued regarding possible claims against Ms. Freeman.

A motion to defer this item was made by Vice Chair Trantalis and was seconded by Commissioner Roberts.

**DEFERRED – Indefinitely**

**Aye:** 4 - Commissioner Rogers, Commissioner Roberts, Vice Chair Trantalis and Chair Seiler

**Not Present:** 1 - Commissioner McKinzie

**CRA-4 16-0674** Motion to Approve a Revocable License with the Florida Department of Transportation for access and staging on Community Redevelopment Agency property during the construction of sound barrier wall along I-95 between NW 4th Street and Sistrunk Boulevard

Jonathan Brown, Area Manager, Northwest Progresso Flagler Heights Community Redevelopment Agency (NWPFA CRA) stated that FDOT had requested a Revocable License to utilize the property owned by the CRA located at the corner of Sistrunk Blvd and NW 21<sup>st</sup> Terrace. This will allow FDOT the right of way for construction staging during the construction of the sound barrier wall. The type of activity to occur will include the property serving as the access point for construction vehicles to the FDOT right of way as well as for storage of equipment and noise wall construction materials. The actual construction of the proposed noise wall will occur at the FDOT/ South Florida Rail Corridor (SFRC) property. This construction is anticipated to last for 150 days and will begin on August 1, 2016.

Mr. Roland Rodriguez, the FDOT representative, addressed the Commission, who confirmed there would be a permanent concrete wall and answered the questions presented by the Board. Further comments and discussions ensued regarding noise issues and future negotiations with the FDOT for access rights.

A motion to approve this item was made by Vice Chair Trantalis and was seconded by Commissioner Roberts.

**APPROVED**

**Aye:** 4 - Commissioner Rogers, Commissioner Roberts, Vice Chair Trantalis and Chair Seiler

**Not Present:** 1 - Commissioner McKinzie

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no additional business before the CRA Board, Chairman Seiler adjourned the meeting at 4:59 p.m.

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John P. "Jack" Seiler  
Chair

ATTEST:

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Jeffrey A. Modarelli  
Secretary