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MEETING MINUTES NORTHWEST-PROGRESSO-FLAGLER HEIGHTS REDEVELOPMENT ADVISORY BOARD FORT LAUDERDALE JUNE 8, 2021 – 3:00 P.M. FORT LAUDERDALE, FLORIDA

Cumulative Attendance June 2021-May 2022

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Board Members	<u>Attendance</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Rhoda Glasco Foderingham, Chair	Р	1	0
Dylan Lagi, Vice Chair	Р	1	0
Leann Barber	Α	0	1
Sonya Burrows	Р	1	0
Kenneth Calhoun	Р	1	0
Lisa Crawford	Р	1	0
Matt Habibi	Р	1	0
John Hooper	Р	1	0
Michael Lewin	Р	1	0
Steffen Lue	Р	1	0
Lorraine Mizell	Р	1	0
Christopher Murphy	Α	0	1
John Quailey	Α	0	1
Tina Teague	Α	0	1

Staff

Bob Wojcik, Housing and Economic Development Manager Clarence Woods, III, NPF CRA Manager Eleni Ward-Jankovic, Housing and Economic Development Manager Corey Ritchie, CRA Project Manager Thomasina Turner, NPF Planner Vanessa Martin, CRA Business Manager Jamie Opperlee, Prototype Inc. Recording Secretary

Public

Dr. Pamela Beasley-Pittman Michelle Jenkins Beverly Chambers

Currently there are 14 appointed members on the Board, which means eight (8) would constitute a quorum.

I. Call to Order/Roll Call

Rhoda Glasco Foderingham, Chair

Chair Foderingham called the meeting to order at 3:11 p.m. and roll was called.

II. Approval of Minutes

NPF CRA Board

May 11, 2021 Minutes

Motion by Mr. Calhoun, seconded by Ms. Crawford, to approve the minutes of May 11, 2021. In a voice vote, the **motion** passed unanimously.

III. Project Funding Update

Vanessa Martin

Ms. Martin reported the update now reflected Commission agenda memo numbers and dates the projects had been added.

IV. Funding Request – \$163, 870 - CRA Capital Improvement Funds - Design Plans for Provident Park Improvements 1412 Sistrunk Blvd., Fort Lauderdale, FL. 33311

NPF Staff

Ms. Ward-Jankovic stated the fund would be used for plans and construction documents and contract administration. Once complete, it would be bid out and they would have a better understanding of total project costs.

The proposed upgrades included monuments, Interactive splash pads, walking trails, an amphitheater and bandstand, new rest rooms and landscape designs. In addition to honoring the Trailblazers and Pioneers with culturally and historically significant monuments, the improvements would also make the park more inviting to neighbors and visitors.

Chair Foderingham asked how much input had been/would be received from the community. Mr. Woods stated they had already received community input. The monuments had been promised by the City to honor Trailblazers and Pioneers. They were working with the sculptor George Gadson to create an entry features honoring legacy families and organizations that helped build the neighborhood. He said they had done a lot of outreach to the Trailblazers and Pioneers as well as residents of Dorsey Riverbend.

Michelle Jenkins asked how this related to the Parks Bond. Mr. Woods stated all funds were coming from the CRA. He said Akai, who was on the City's list of approved architects, was working with them on the design.

Mr. Ritchie said it would take three to six months to complete the design and then another two months to put it out to bid and he anticipated completion in 14 months. Mr. Woods explained once they had a price, they would return to the Board to ask for the money to build it.

Ms. Burrows asked about parking and Mr. Ritchie noted they were constructing parking on 12th Avenue and 19th Avenue and Sistrunk. Mr. Woods acknowledged parking was an issue and stated there was some on-street parking on the west side of the park. He said they had a plan to make public parking available in the area and they needed several smaller garages in strategic locations.

Mr. Lewin and Beverly Chambers asked why Parks Bond funds were not being used and Mr. Woods said the scope for the Parks Bond had already been determined. This was a project the CRA desired. He explained that each district was receiving Parks Bond funds for a number of different parks. This park was a CRA-led effort and the improvements were above and beyond what was usually done.

Motion by Mr. Calhoun, seconded by Mr. Lewin, to approve the funding request. In a roll call vote, the **motion** passed 10-0.

V. Communication to CRA Board of Commissioners

NPF CRA Staff

None

VI. Old/New Business

None

VII. Public Comments

Dr. Pamela Beasley-Pittman noted that the CRA's time was running out, and suggested the Board ask the City Commission to extend the date, as she felt there was not sufficient time to fully solicit, develop and complete the projects that would revitalize the Sistrunk corridor. She wished the west side of Sistrunk Boulevard receive the same efforts that the east side had. Chair Foderingham agreed this should be brought up with the City Commission, acting as the City's CRA Board. She advised Dr. Beasley-Pittman to sit down with Mr. Woods to discuss the Economic Development Corporation and how that related to the CRA. Then Dr. Beasley-Pittman could address the CRA Board and make the residents' concerns heard.

VIII. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting was adjourned at 3:36 p.m.

Any written public comments made 48 hours prior to the meeting regarding items discussed during the proceedings have been attached hereto.

Minutes prepared by J. Opperlee, ProtoType Inc.