

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS LOCATION: NARANJA LAKES CRA COMMUNITY CENTER 27555 SW 140TH AVENUE, NARANJA, FL

THURSDAY, August 29, 2024 - REGULAR MEETING AGENDA 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM

I. Meeting Call to Order, Roll Call, Chairman Remarks

Chairman Forbes

II. Reasonable Opportunity for the Public to be Heard Chairman Forbes

III. Approval of Agenda

IV. Approval of Minutes

• July 30, 2024, Meeting

V. Discussion Items

• Crime Prevention and Public Safety Initiatives

VI. Proposed Next Meeting Dates & Adjournment

• Workshop - Wednesday, September 11, 2024 – Time 5:00 P.M.



Regular Board Meeting Minutes – July 30th, 2024 – 6:00 P.M.

Naranja Branch Library 14850 SW 280th St., Naranja, FL 33032

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Meeting Call to Order, Roll Call, Chairman Remarks

Vice-Chairman Archer called the meeting to order at 6:08 P.M. Roll Call was as follows:

- Present: Chairman Ken Forbes, Vice-Chairman Stuart Archer, Derek Sippio, Derrick Lordeus, and Danny Olgetree.
- Absent: Erick Caceres and Cornelius Shiver
- Miami-Dade County Staff Present: Vivian Cao, Assistant Director, Jason E. Rodriguez, Business Analyst Manager, and Nicole Jordan, Business Analyst, Office of Management and Budget (OMB)
- CRA Staff Present: Steve Zelkowitz CRA Attorney, Taylor English Duma LLP

Open Forum for Public Comments

Vice-Chairman Archer opened the forum for the public to have a reasonable opportunity to be heard. Ms. Pamela Green stated her organization, the Naranja Ravens Athletic Club is in the process of becoming a vendor with the Miami-Dade County Parks department and is seeking assistance with the process. Ms. Green stated there are no activities in the area for the children in the community, and stated her organization does not need funding; just a park to host their activities. Ms. Green also stated she is trying to meet with the Commissioner of the area to seek assistance for the elderly in the community who are getting evicted from their homes.

Chairman's Statement Regarding Agenda Items

Chairman Forbes stated if a member of the Board has an addition to the agenda, they are to contact the Board liaison to add the item to the agenda. Chairman Forbes noted that in the past, the Board wanted to keep the agenda to three main items to allow an opportunity for the items to be properly addressed. Chairman Forbes stated he hopes all board members can make themselves available to attend the upcoming workshop so they can better serve the community.

Approval of Agenda

Vice-Chairman Archer moved to approve the meeting agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Olgetree. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes

Vice-Chairman Archer moved to approve the meeting minutes from the June 25th, 2024, Regular Board meeting. The motion was seconded by Mr. Olgetree. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion Items

Vice-Chairman Archer brought up the annual financial disclosures board members have to fill out stating he had encountered an issue and was wondering if other board members encountered the same. Ms. Cao stated that the financial disclosure form comes from the Miami-Dade County Supervisor of Elections or the State of Florida and the deadline to file was July 1st. Vice-Chairman suggested all new board members visit the Naranja Lakes Community Center so they can see the parking situation in case it was to be addressed in the future.

Action Items

Resolution approving MDPD purchase of Security Cameras

Mr. Zelkowitz read the proposed resolution title into the record:

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE NARANJA LAKES COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY APPROVING MIAMI-DADE POLICE DEPARTMENT (MDPD) TO PROCURE, PURCHASE, IMPLEMENT AND MAINTAIN LICENSE PLATE RECOGNITION CAMERAS FOR THE NARANJA LAKES COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AREA; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND NLCRA ATTORNEY TO NEGOTIATE AND FINALIZE AN INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH MIAMI-DADE COUNTY FOR THE FUNDING OF THE PURCHASE, IMPLEMENTATION MAINTENANCE OF LICENSE PLATE RECOGNITION CAMERAS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$300,000.00); AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE THE INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH MIAMI-DADE COUNTY; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO TAKE ALL ACTION NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE TERMS OF THE INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Ms. Cao referenced the last Naranja Lakes CRA meeting where Major Benny Solis made a presentation on the cameras, where he was going to procure the cameras and come back to the Board with the final cost of the cameras and the maintenance fees.

Vice-Chairman Archer moved to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by Mr. Olgetree. Motion passed unanimously.

Resolution approving Community Policing Innovation Services Plan

Mr. Zelkowitz read the proposed resolution title into the record:

RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE NARANJA LAKES COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY APPROVING MIAMI-DADE POLICE DEPARTMENT (MDPD) TO IMPLEMENT A COMMUNITY POLICING INNOVATION PLAN FOR THE NARANJA LAKES COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AREA;

AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND NLCRA ATTORNEY TO NEGOTIATE AND FINALIZE AN INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH MIAMIDADE COUNTY FOR THE FUNDING OF THE COMMUNITY POLICING INNOVATION PLAN IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND AND 00/100 DOLLARS (\$300,000.00); AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO EXECUTE THE INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH MIAMI-DADE COUNTY; AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO TAKE ALL ACTION NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE TERMS OF THE INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

Vice-Chairman Archer moved to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by Mr. Olgetree. Motion passed unanimously

Update Items

Fiscal Year 2024 -25 Projected TIF Revenues

Ms. Cao stated that the Naranja Lakes CRA will be receiving \$13.2 million in the new fiscal year, which is a 51% increase from the last fiscal year. Ms. Cao stated the increase is due to the high redevelopment happening in the area.

Economic Development Coordinator

Due to no proposals being received, Ms. Cao stated that the position was readvertised today to the pool and stated that by the September meeting, there should be a selected vendor. After a question from Mr. Sippio regarding the candidates in the pool, Ms. Cao stated that there are eight vendors in the pool. Ms. Cao provided an update on the Redevelopment Plan which is ongoing, and Business Flare is reaching out to the Commissioners to schedule a meeting to discuss the redevelopment plan. Ms. Cao provided an update on the FY 23-24 budget stating it has just made it past the Committee meeting and should be appearing in the September 4th Board of County Commissioners meeting. Vice-Chairman Archer inquired about a meeting with development group for Naranja Grand and Ms. Cao stated that a meeting has been scheduled and she will share more information with the Board. Ms. Cao stated she spoke with the Parks department regarding Colonial Park and the Parks department confirmed they have \$30 million of unfunded needs in Colonial Park and \$8 million for Modello Park. Additionally, Ms. Cao noted the Florida Redevelopment Association Conference (FRA) will be taking place October 22-25 and if board members are interested in attending, please let staff know.

After an inquiry from Chairman Forbes about the monthly police report, Major Benny Solis stated that their unit lost all power due to the storm and were unable to provide a report for this meeting, however his unit continues to see a downward trend with crime in the area. Ms. Cao circled back to the TIF revenue and stated that the CRA will have the cash available to fund programs for the community. Ms. Cao stated it would be in the best interest of the Board to create redevelopment partnerships due to the high redevelopment activity in the area.

Board Workshop

Ms. Cao stated that due to the library being an election site for early voting, the room will not be available to use for the workshop. Ms. Cao informed the Board that staff will work to find an alternate location. Vice-Chairman suggested to use the Naranja Lakes CRA Community Center as a location for the workshop. Mr. Lordeus inquired about how the board workshop date was chosen, stating he would not be able to attend and asked if an alternative date could be chosen. Ms. Cao stated she will get back to him regarding choosing a different date. Chairman Forbes emphasized that it was important to have the intended speaker at the workshop who can help the Board brainstorm new ideas that can be used in the Naranja Lakes CRA. Mr. Lordeus expressed his request to have a Saturday workshop as originally agreed upon or divide the workshop into parts to have during regular meeting hours. Ms. Cao stated the FRA speaker had limited availability but will reach back out to the Board once a date has been confirmed. Mr. Sippio agreed with the importance of having the FRA speaker present at the workshop. Ms. Cao encouraged board members to attend the FRA conference if they were able to. Ms. Cao stated that Ms. Nicole Jordan will contact the Florida Redevelopment Association to obtain login for board members to access the FRA forums and the other resources listed on their website.

Next Meeting Date & Adjournment

Chairman Forbes stated that the next meeting was to be determined. The meeting was adjourned at 6:57 P.M.