## **APPROVED**

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

# MIDDLE RIVER SOUTH MIDDLE RIVER SUNRISE BOULEVARD REDEVELOPMENT ADVISORY BOARD CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE 100 N ANDREWS AVENUE 8<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 2012 6:30 PM

## **Cumulative Attendance from October 2012**

Board Members`	<u>Attendance</u>	Present	<u>Absent</u>
Katharine Barry	A	1	1
Laura Croscenco	Р	2	
Shannon C Harmerling, Vice Chair	Р	2	
Christine Jones	Α	1	1
Richard Gibson	Р	2	
Randall Klett, Chair	Р	2	
Michael J Voder Meulen	Р	2	
Tim Smith	Р	1	1
Ray Thrower	Р	2	
Ronald Weinbaum	Р	2	

At this time there are 10 appointed members to the Board; 6 members in attendance constitute a quorum. It was noted that a quorum was present at the meeting

## Staff

Alfred Battle, Jr. Economic & Community Reinvestment Manager Ella Parker, DSD/Urban Design and Planning Manager

#### **Communications to the CRA Board**

**Motion** made by member Smith and seconded by member Gibson, requesting the allocation of the necessary resources to implement a crime prevention program similar to the one in the Northwest Progresso Flagler Heights Community Redevelopment Agency to address concerns about crime in the Middle River South Middle River Sunrise Boulevard Community Redevelopment Advisory Board area, motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

**Motion** made by member Harmerling and seconded by member Gibson, requesting input/suggestions from the Community Redevelopment Agency Board for a new name for the Middle River South Middle River Sunrise Boulevard Redevelopment Advisory Board, motion passed 7-1, member Thrower voted no.

**Motion** made by member Thrower, seconded by Member Weinbaum requesting the Community Redevelopment Agency Board to instruct city staff to make contact with the owners of the

government-owned properties to make them available for redevelopment, motion passed unanimously, 8-0.

#### I. Call to Order & Determination of Quorum

Chair Klett called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m. It was noted that a quorum was present.

## II. Approval of Minutes

Approval of minutes as submitted moved by Member Vonder Meulen, seconded by Member Harmerling to approve the minutes of October 8, 2012. In a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

## III. Name Change for CRA

Motion made by Member Smith, seconded by Member Vonder Muelen to table the item. Motion passed unanimously.

# IV. Review of Redevelopment Plan

Discussion on this item deferred at the request of the chairman.

# V. Expansion of the CRA

Motion made by Member Smith, seconded by Member Harmerling to table item until next meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

## VI. Zoning Changes for the CRA

Ella Parker, Urban Design and Planning Manager for the City of Fort Lauderdale Department of Sustainable Development was in attendance to address questions from the board about redevelopment of area of the MRSMRSB area. Downtown MP area, and specifically what the board would like to accomplish in the new CRA.

Zoning issues needs to be worked on with new board and staff resources.

The discussion included comparing the zoning changes requested to similar processes undertaken with the Downtown Master Plan and the South Andrews Master Plan.

Chair Klett, Identified some areas rezoning along Sunrise Blvd, 4<sup>th</sup> avenue, 13<sup>th</sup> Street commercial difficult to redevelop problems with development in those areas. Also, past work by the business community in the area on zoning issues, particularly by the 13<sup>th</sup> Street Alliance, may be an efficient way to begin implementing some of the desired zoning changes. Additionally, suggestions included monthly discussions with the board on zoning issues to

educate the members of the board and staff about the issues that exist in the redevelopment district.

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**VIII.** There being no further business at this time the meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.