

Regular Meeting of the
Downtown Development Authority
Thursday, September 4, 2014
110 SE 6th Street, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

ROLL CALL

COMMUNICATIONS TO CITY COMMISSION

BOARD PRESENT: John Ropes, Chair
Michael Weymouth, Vice-Chair
Dennis F. O'Shea, Secretary
Tim Petrillo, Treasurer
D. Fredrico Fazio, Board Member (by speaker phone)
Gregory Durden, Board Member
William H. Bodenhamer, Jr., Board Member

ALSO PRESENT:

John M. Milledge, DDA Legal Counsel	Mark Mattern
Chris Wren, DDA Executive Director	Alexandra Roland
Marti Brown, Administrative Coordinator	Howard Elfman
Chadwick Blue, Urban Planner	Sgt. McCarthy
Chuck Adams	Lt. Falzone

PRESIDING: John Ropes, Chair

Chairman Ropes called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Roll call was taken by Marti Brown. All Board members were present. Chairman Ropes asked if anyone had any questions regarding the consent agenda and hearing none, a *motion was moved by Mr. O'Shea and seconded by Mr. Durden approving the items on consent.* The following items were unanimously approved:

CONSENT AGENDA

- C-1) Approval of the minutes and follow ups from the August 14, 2014 DDA Board Meeting and the Budget Workshop on 8/21/14.
- C-2) Approval of Outdoor Event Application-Hot Rod Run, 11/1/14, Keith Pisut
- C-3) Approval of Outdoor Event Application-Day of the Dead Skeleton Processional, 11/2/14, Jim Hammond

REGULAR AGENDA

R-1 Police Report

Sergeant McCarthy said the Board is probably aware of the recent robbery on Riverwalk. He said police presence has been increased and since then, it's calmed down. He said the normal activity such as cell phones being taken and activity at the bus terminal still occur. He said yesterday there was a stabbing which is still under investigation. Lt. Falzone said there will be a new unit with the Security Ambassador Program which is being called the Community Resource Unit. She said they will be recruiting officers and the announcement went out yesterday. She said this unit will handle the chronic problems. Mr. Durden asked if the response has been positive and Lt. Falzone said that five officers talked to her about it already. Mr. Wren said he had a meeting with the Chief this week in

anticipation of the kickoff of the program. Mr. Wren said he's reached out to AutoNation regarding the car for the program and believes they have a deal which is positive. Mr. Wren said that the program will use the WPB staff at first while they recruit new staff for the program. Mr. Weymouth asked about the recent ordinances the City has passed and how that could affect the policing and Lt. Falzone indicated that they are further tools for the police officers to use but staff has not been dedicated. She said they coordinate with their homeless outreach personnel as well. Mr. Weymouth mentioned the issue of how the City has worded the enforcement guidelines by the grades of roads and asked whose function it is to figure that out and Sgt. McCarthy said it's the County's role and will pass the concern on to Officer Galt.

R-2 Wave Streetcar

Mr. Wren said they had a meeting Tuesday on the maintenance and storage facility and explained the details about the 17th Street site and the City's obligation. Mr. Wren said they had two great outreach meetings with the Trinity Lutheran Church area and Flagler Village area. He said they are trying to develop a countywide branding concept and Chairman Ropes asked if the Wave cars could be coordinated with what FEC is doing since they've already ordered their cars. Mr. Milledge said the County wants to handle the procurement on the cars and explained further. Mr. O'Shea said he wanted to know if we have a Plan B if the 17th street location doesn't work for the maintenance and storage facility and Mr. Wren said it would then be the one stop shop or money.

R-3 Projects Update

Mr. Wren said there hasn't been much movement on the Riverwalk Connection project. Mr. Wren said they are looking to move the trees from the Urban Oasis Project to the park. Mr. Wren said they are moving into the next phase on the utility box wraps and said the City wants to wrap 30 boxes which will be coordinated. He said they are finishing up on the hanging baskets. Mr. Wren said they are still trying to figure out if they need FTA clearance on the utility poles and have a meeting set for 9/12. Mr. Wren said the lighting on 2nd street needs to go before the HPB Board. Mr. Wren said the ITS project is moving along with weekly calls with the consultant. Mr. Wren said that he's been working with Mr. Milledge and Kelley Shanley on the PACA garage and any opportunities for both parties. Mr. Milledge added that they've discussed Mr. Loos getting involved on the development side and once any preliminary planning has been done they will come back to the Board. Mr. Wren said at the Mayor's party it was announced that Tim McGovern and James Campbell will act as Co-Chairs on the St. Pat's event so he could pass the event on.

R-4 Security Ambassador Update

Mr. Wren said there will be people visible on the streets immediately while they integrate into the actual operations. Mr. Wren said he hopes this occurs within the next two weeks with October as the end date to start.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

D-1 News Articles

All information was in their packages.

D-2 Emergency Approval of Outdoor Event-Back 2 School Fest, 8/16/14

All backup was in their packages.

As there was no other business, Chairman Ropes adjourned the meeting at 4:55 p.m.

First Public Hearing on Budget
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Chair Ropes called the First Public Hearing on the Proposed Millage Rate and Tentative Budget for 2014-2015 to order at 5:01 p.m. Roll call was taken.

Chair Ropes opened the Public Hearing on the Proposed Millage Rate for 2014-2015. Chair Ropes made the announcement of the following: The name of the taxing authority, the rolled-back rate of .4878, the percentage increase (20.58%) of the Proposed Millage Rate over the Rolled-back rate, the Proposed Operating Millage Rate of .05882, the Proposed Debt Service Millage Rate of .05366 and the Proposed Total Millage Rate of 1.1248.

Mr. Milledge read Resolution 9-1-14 by title only adopting the Proposed Millage Rate for 2014-2015.

Chair Ropes asked if there were any comments from the public and hearing none, Chair Ropes closed the Public Hearing on the Proposed Millage Rate for the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year. Chair Ropes asked if there were comments from the Board. Mr. Weymouth had a question relative to the maximum allowable rate.

Chair Ropes asked if there was a Motion to Adopt the Resolution Adopting the Proposed Millage Rate for the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year. Mr. Durden made the motion

and Mr. Bodenhamer seconded. By roll call, all were in favor.

Chair Ropes opened the Public Hearing on the 2014-2015 Budget. Mr. Milledge read Resolution 9-2-14 by title only adopting the Tentative Budget for the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year.

Chair Ropes asked if there were comments from the public and hearing none, Chair Ropes closed the Public Hearing on the 2014-2015 Budget. Chair Ropes asked if there were comments from the Board. There were none.

Chair Ropes asked if there was a Motion to Adopt the Resolution Adopting the Tentative Budget for the 2014-2015 Fiscal Year. Mr. Durden made the motion and Mr. O'Shea seconded. By roll call, all were in favor.

Chair Ropes closed the Public Hearing on the Proposed Millage Rate and Tentative Budget at 5:04 p.m.