

**MINUTES
CITY OF COCOA
COCOA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
REGULAR MEETING
April 5, 2016**

The Cocoa Redevelopment Agency held a regular meeting at 5:00 p.m. at Cocoa City Hall, 65 Stone Street, Cocoa, FL. as publicly noticed.

I. Vice Chairman Boisvert called the meeting to order at 5:16 p.m.

PRESENT:

Don Boisvert	Vice Chairman
Jan Stewart	Agency member
Tyler Furbish	Agency member
Michael Blake	Agency member
Brenda Warner	Agency member
Anthony Garganese	Agency Counsel
Monica Arsenault	Recording Secretary

ABSENT:

Henry U. Parrish, III	Chairman
Ed Lanni	Agency member

STAFF PRESENT: Susan D. McGrady, CRA Program Manager; Steven P. Belden, AICP, Community Services Director, Gary Palmer, Facilities Manager.

Agency member Blake provided the invocation and led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA /MINUTES:

- * **MOTION by Agency member Stewart; SECONDED by Agency member Blake to switch items one and two under New Business.**

AYES: Boisvert, Warner, Stewart, Furbish, Blake

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)

- * **MOTION by Agency member Warner; SECONDED by Agency member Stewart to approve the agenda for the regular meeting of April 5, 2016.**

AYES: Boisvert, Warner, Stewart, Furbish, Blake

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)

- * **MOTION by Agency member Warner; SECONDED by Agency member Stewart to approve the minutes of the special meeting of March 8, 2016.**

AYES: Boisvert, Warner, Stewart, Furbish, Blake

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)

III. DELEGATIONS:

Aleck Greenwood – Request to Speak

Mr. Greenwood, of 640 Brevard Avenue, presented questions to the Board about the removal of Oak trees specifically at 603 Brevard Avenue, future home to the Brevard Avenue Brownstones.

Agency member Blake shared that he may have reservations about the removal of the oak trees if they are causing damage to the sidewalks which could then create safety hazards. He asked **Mr. Belden** if there is a contingency plan to replace the oak trees with another kind of tree that would provide the same shade and be as aesthetically pleasing to the eye.

Mr. Belden stated that the City of Cocoa has been transitioning the replacement of live oak trees to crepe myrtles in the village due to the problems live oak trees cause with infrastructure and utilities.

Agency member Warner asked **Mr. Gary Palmer**, Facilities Manager, if the oak trees could be planted in a way so that they would not disturb sidewalks, underground utilities and infrastructure.

Mr. Gary Palmer stated that the trees would need to be planted in a box so that the root system would not expand in a way that would be disruptive, but it would be very costly to do so and would require a lot of work.

IV. PRESENTATIONS:

NONE

V. OLD BUSINESS:

NONE

VI. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Riverfront Park Railings Repair and Replacement – Bid Award – Bid #B-16-06-COC

Mr. Palmer presented the Board with a sample of the type of material that would be used to repair and/or replace the railings in Cocoa Riverfront Park.

Agency member Stewart inquired about the large variances in the bids that were submitted.

Mr. Palmer explained that each bidder bid on the same materials and work that needs to be completed. He explained that no synthetics would be used and that the material would be treated wood.

- * **A MOTION was made by Agency member Blake; SECONDED by Agency member Warner to approve the awarding of Bid #B-16-06-COC to East Coast Fence and Guardrail of Brevard Inc. for the repair and/or replacement of railings in Cocoa Riverfront Park in the amount of \$64,806.00 with addendum quote.**

AYES: Boisvert, Warner, Stewart, Furbish, Blake

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)

2. Commercial Façade Grant Application – 401 Florida Avenue

Ms. McGrady shared that the property is owned by **Mr. Gregory Hehir**, and the proposed work includes new signage, painting of the exterior, and privacy fencing.

Mr. Jack Riderman, owner of Smoked Out BBQ, the business going into 401 Florida Avenue, shared that he was in the process of filing for building permits and that his goal was to open in early summer 2016.

- * **A MOTION was made by Agency member Blake; SECONDED by Agency member Warner to approve a \$5,000.00 matching grant to improve the façade at 401 Florida Avenue.**

AYES: Boisvert, Warner, Stewart, Furbish, Blake

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)

VII. ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

NONE

VIII. AGENCY MEMBERS AND STAFF REPORTS:

- 1. Monthly Budget Report – provided for Agency members to review.**

IX. NEXT MEETING DATE:

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Cocoa Redevelopment Agency will be held on Tuesday, May 2, 2016 at 5:00 PM at the Cocoa City Hall, 65 Stone Street, Cocoa, Florida.

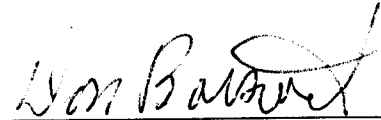
X. ADJOURNMENT:

- * **MOTION** made by Agency member Blake; **SECONDED** by Agency member Stewart to adjourn the regular meeting of April 5, 2016.

AYES: Boisvert, Warner, Stewart, Furbish, Blake

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY (5-0)

MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 5:57 p.m.



Don Boisvert, Vice Chairman

Respectfully Submitted By:



Monica Arsenault, Recording Secretary