

A meeting of the Community Redevelopment Agency Advisory Board was held on Wednesday, February 26, 2014 at City Hall, 400 South Orange Avenue, Conference Room "R", Second Floor, Orlando, Florida. Noting a quorum was present, Chairman Roger Chapin called the meeting to order at approximately 3:58 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Roger Chapin, Chair

Bill Dymond Jessica Burns Wendy Connor Terry Delahunty

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Doug Taylor, Vice Chair

Commissioner Tiffany Moore-Russell

STAFF PRESENT:

Thomas C. Chatmon Jr., Executive Director

Walter Hawkins, Director of Urban Development

David Barilla, Assistant Director

Patricia Dellacona, Division Fiscal Manager Kelly Moody, DDB/CRA Project Manager Christel Brooks, Administrative Specialist

Shaniqua Rose, Board Secretary

Mercedes Blanca, Economic Development Coordinator III

Bob Fish, Downtown Clean Team Manager

Rose Garlick, Downtown Information Center Manager

Kristen Quinones, Social Media Coordinator

TeNeika Walker, Special Assistant to the Executive Director

Brian Battles, Budget Division Manager Stacey Adams, Assistant City Attorney

<u>Election</u> – A motion was made by Roger Chapin, seconded by Jessica Burns and unanimously carried to approve the election of Shaniqua Rose as Secretary to the CRA Advisory Board.

<u>Approval of Minutes</u> - A motion was made by Terry Delahunty and seconded by Jessica Burns to approve the minutes of the January 22, 2014 Community Redevelopment Agency Advisory Board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

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Parramore Update -

Walter Hawkins gave an update on events that took place in the Parramore area, such as the recent Orlando Remembered. He also gave updates on the Church Street Streetscape, Men's Service Center and Parramore Comprehensive Plan and provided dates for upcoming meetings. Thomas C. Chatmon Jr., recognized that there were many calls received from businesses in the Church Street area affected by the road construction related to the Church Street Streetscape project, and he wanted to emphasize that all businesses are open and for everyone to spread the word. Mr. Hawkins let the Board know that the Church Street Streetscape construction is on time according to the timeline. The Board thanked Mr. Hawkins for his update.

<u>Executive Director Report</u> – Mr. Chatmon deferred to Patricia Dellacona, Division Fiscal Manager, to present the budget information. Mrs. Dellacona gave an overview of the 2012-2013 Year End Budget Report. The Board had several questions about the use of various funds. Mrs. Dellacona and Brian Battles, Budget Division Manager, gave an explanation regarding what the funds were used for and possible changes that may occur in the future. Mrs. Dellacona then presented the Board with the First Quarter Budget Report for 2013-2014. The Board thanked Mrs. Dellacona for her presentation.

<u>Public Comment –</u> David Van Gelder, discussed the bricks used for the construction on Church Street. He stated that there were bricks collected from the ground and that he wanted the bricks to be reused. Mr. Hawkins told Mr. Van Gelder that he would look into the situation and give him an update. The Board thanked Mr. Van Gelder for bringing this concern to their attention.

New Business -

a. Amended and Restated LYMMO Operations Agreement – Mrs. Kelly Moody, Project Manager, provided an update which indicated that the Downtown Orlando Community Redevelopment Agency, in conjunction with the City of Orlando and the Central Florida Regional Transportation Authority (LYNX), has been actively involved in the planning, construction and implementation of the east/west expansions of the LYMMO Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) project. The purpose of LYMMO is to provide a transit circulator in Downtown Orlando to provide for expanded mobility and alleviate traffic congestion.

The Original LYMMO route, constructed in 1997, consists of 2.4 miles of exclusive and mixed-use bus lanes, operating between Orlando City Hall and the former Centroplex area of Downtown. On July 14, 1997, the LYMMO Operations Agreement was approved by City Council, with a subsequent amendment approved by City Council on November 24, 1997. This agreement set forth terms of operations, funding, and maintenance between the City and LYNX.

In 2010, LYNX and the City of Orlando successfully secured grant funding to expand LYMMO with two (2) additional routes, East/West BRT and Parramore BRT. East/West BRT, funded by a Federal Transit Authority New Starts grant, is a 3.67 mile route containing both mixed-use and exclusive bus lanes, which will connect Thornton Park and South Eola neighborhoods to the Central Business District and the

Parramore neighborhood. East/West BRT began construction in 2013 and will open for service in the spring of 2014. Parramore BRT, funded by a US Department of Transportation TIGER II grant, is a 2.1 mile route containing both mixed-use and exclusive bus lanes, which will connect the Central Business District to the Parramore neighborhood and the planned Creative Village redevelopment of the Centroplex. Parramore BRT is scheduled to begin construction in the spring of 2014 and is planned to open for service by the end of 2014.

The proposed Amended and Restated LYMMO Operations Agreement sets forth terms and conditions for the operations, funding, and maintenance of the complete LYMMO system (including Original LYMMO, East/West BRT, and Parramore BRT) between LYNX, the City of Orlando, and the Downtown Orlando Community Redevelopment Agency.

Staff requested that CRA Advisory Board recommend to the CRA approval of the Amended and Restated LYMMO Operations Agreement between the City, CRA, and the Central Florida Regional Transportation Authority, subject to the review and approval of the City Attorney's Office, and authorization for the Chairman and Executive Director of the CRA to execute the agreement.

A motion was made by Terry Delahunty to recommend to the CRA approval of the Amended and Restated LYMMO Operations Agreement. Mr Delahunty and Mr. Dymond asked questions related to the funding obligations of the city and CRA. Kelly Moody, Brian Battles and Thomas C. Chatmon Jr. made comments regarding the funding of the project by the City and the CRA. Bill Dymond seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

b. Lake Eola Improvements – Patricia Dellacona, Division Fiscal Manager, explained that the City of Orlando, Lake Eola, has applied to the Orange County Arts & Cultural Affairs office for a 2014 Cultural Facilities Grant. The request, in the amount of \$25,000 is dedicated to the purchase of a new sound board for the amphitheater at Lake Eola. One of the conditions to the application is to provide matching funds to the requested grant. The City of Orlando Parks and Recreations Dept will provide half of the match, or \$12,500.

Staff requested funding in the amount of \$12,500 in order to provide the second half of the City's match for the grant and requested the CRA Advisory Board recommend that the CRA approve funding in the amount of \$12,500 for the purchase of a new sound board for the Lake Eola Amphitheater.

A motion was made by Bill Dymond to recommend to the CRA approval for funding in the amount of \$12,500 in order to provide the second half of the City's match for the purchase of a new sound board for the Lake Eola Amphitheater.. Mr. Dymond requested clarification as to where the funding for this project was in the budget. Mrs. Dellacona explained that the funds are budgeted in the Lake Eola Improvements line

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item of the budget and are shown in the documents she presented earlier in the meeting. Terry Delahunty seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

<u>Date of Next Meeting-</u> The next scheduled meeting of the Community Redevelopment Agency Advisory Board is Wednesday, March 26, 2014, 3:00 p.m., at Conference Room "R", on the Second Floor of City Hall.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Community Redevelopment Agency Advisory Board, Chairman Roger Chapin adjourned the meeting at 4:39 p.m.

Thomas C. Chatmon, Jr.

Executive Director

Shaniqua Rose

Board Secretary