

**MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD
BUDGET MEETING, HELD ON SEPTEMBER 24, 2009, AT 6:00 P.M.
IN THE LIBRARY PROGRAM ROOM, BOYNTON BEACH, FL**

PRESENT:

Jerry Taylor, Chair
Woodrow Hay, Vice Chair
Marlene Ross
Ron Weiland

Lisa Bright, Executive Director
Jim Cherof, Board Attorney

ABSENT:

Jose Rodriguez

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. The Recording Secretary called the roll. A quorum was present.

II. Pledge to the Flag and Invocation

The Invocation was given by Vice Chair Hay followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Lisa Bright, Executive Director announced the Boynton Beach Community Redevelopment Agency will be presented with the State of Florida's highest award, the President's Award, for successful redevelopment. The Urban Infill Housing Development Program, adopted in 2006 by the Boynton Beach Community Redevelopment Agency, earned the State's top honor for its purchase, construction and reselling of nine homes to low or moderate-income families. The goal of the program was to create affordable housing and improve neighborhoods within the Boynton Beach Community. The homes were three bedroom, two bath homes, that had impact-glass windows, granite countertops, stainless steel appliances, washer and dryer units, irrigation system and many other amenities.

The award will be presented at the 2009 Florida Redevelopment Association (FRA) Annual Conference held on October 29, 2009 in Orlando. The award recipient is selected by the outgoing FRA President each year.

A copy of the press release was included with the meeting materials. Since the Procurement Policy requires a motion by the Board for any travel, Ms. Bright requested approval to travel to attend the conference for just the one night to accept the award. She had materials for the Board members who wished to attend as well. Ms. Bright inquired if each Board member could pick and chose the travel schedule that accommodates them. Attorney Cherof responded they could.

Motion

Vice Chair Hay so moved. Ms. Ross seconded the motion that unanimously passed.

Chair Taylor acknowledged he knew that the Community Redevelopment Agency staff was outstanding, but to have the State recognize the Community Redevelopment Agency was a most outstanding accomplishment. He expressed he was very proud of Ms. Bright and the staff and that he wished to attend the conference. Vice Chair Hay agreed with Chair Taylor's comments and congratulated staff, as did Ms. Ross and Mr. Weiland. Kurt Bressner, City Manager, who was also in attendance also congratulated Ms. Bright and her staff.

3. Consideration of Options in Foreclosure Action on HAP Recipient

Ms. Bright explained the item pertained to one of the original HAP homeowners who received \$50,000 from the Community Redevelopment Agency to assist them with the first time purchase of a home. In working with Community Redevelopment Agency counsel, options for the Board to consider were presented. Option 1 was to file an Answer only. If the home was foreclosed and the property was sold, any funds left over from the first and second mortgages would be applied to the Community Redevelopment Agency's loan. The other option was to file an Answer and Cross-Claim to foreclose on the Community Redevelopment Agency's third mortgage. This would result in a judgment against the homeowner in favor of the Community Redevelopment Agency. The cost to file an Answer and Cross-Claim was \$395.

Discussion followed the best option would be Option 1. If the property is sold and there was not enough to pay off the first lien, all interests below the first lien holder position would be wiped out.

Motion

Mr. Weiland moved to approve Option 1. Ms. Ross seconded the motion that unanimously passed.

4. Final Budget Meeting for Fiscal Year 2009-2010

Ms. Bright explained the budget was based on the recent adoption of the City and County's millage rate. The recommendations presented were predicated on the prior two public discussions, the budget hearings and several one-on-one Board member discussions. The recommendations were made to support staff for projects or programs underway. More specifically they:

- Increased the small business assistance line item;
- increased façade grants;
- added an addition of an event in District III;
- reduced legal fees by \$25,000 based on last year's billings; and
- included marina construction phasing based on the Boards comments and direction provided at the August Board meeting.

The marina was budgeted \$228,680. The benchmark for the next phase of the Marina Project was a small lighthouse entryway feature. When staff finished working with the Shoreline, they could roll right into the entryway feature which added presence.

The list of proposed special events was discussed as there was a request for a sixth event. The District III event was added as a result of the workshop discussion. The original amount was \$289,000 plus, and the increase approved at the workshop was to add \$5,000 which changed the total to \$294,000.

The Board's motion at the August 10, 2009 meeting regarding the Old High School was that the City needed to provide a comparable match, which did not happen. It was Ms. Brights understanding the City would go out to referendum for the Old High School

The changes to the trolley were to have the north route only with the elimination of Saturdays. The agreement was modified accordingly.

The police budget was reduced by \$50,000 for the next fiscal year as the City Commission had funds for it. The attorney for the City and Community Redevelopment Agency was working on an amendment to the contract which would be brought before the City Commission on October 20, 2009.

Kurt Bressner, City Manager inquired about the 4th Street project. The \$300,000 reflected in the budget, which was budgeted and not spent, was the County grant for the project. The line item would be back in 2010/2011.

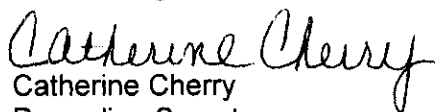
Attorney Cherof read Community Redevelopment Agency Resolution 09-03 adopting a budget for the Fiscal Year October 1, 2009 to September 30, 2010.

Motion

Vice Chair Hay moved to approve Resolution 09-03. Ms. Ross seconded the motion that unanimously passed.

5. Adjournment

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting properly adjourned at 6:18 p.m.


Catherine Cherry
Recording Secretary
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