

COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY  
February 27, 2017

The meeting of the Community Redevelopment Agency was called to order by Chairman Steve Leary at 2:00 p.m. in the Commission Chambers, 401 Park Avenue South, Winter Park, Florida.

Members present:

Mayor Steve Leary  
Commissioner Greg Seidel  
Commissioner Sarah Sprinkel  
Commissioner Carolyn Cooper (arrived 2:16)  
Commissioner Pete Weldon  
Orange County Rep. Hal George

Also present:

City Manager Randy Knight  
City Clerk Cynthia Bonham  
Planning Director Dori Stone  
CRA Manager Kyle Dudgeon

Approval of Minutes

**Motion made by Commissioner Seidel to approve the November 28, 2016 and January 23, 2017 CRA Agency minutes; seconded by Commissioner Weldon and carried with a 5-0 vote with Commissioner Cooper being absent.**

Action Items

a. Design of Denning Drive

CRA Manager Kyle Dudgeon addressed what transpired since the last meeting. He spoke about bus bays and the Lynx representative being present. He stated that the design has been reviewed by Comprehensive Engineer Services (CES) as well as the CRA Advisory Board who has agreed to the plans. He addressed the interlocal agreement that outlines who is responsible for what.

Public Works Director Troy Attaway and Butch Margraf displayed the proposed site plan and summarized the design and location of bus bays, crosswalks, bike paths, and landscaping. Mr. Attaway and Margraf answered questions.

Lynx representative Jeffrey Reine spoke in support of the redesign of Denning Drive as related to bus stops and bus travel.

Planning Director Dori Stone spoke about their work to make the bus bays work, to provide enough landscaping, and to make it part of the budget. She commented that this is final design and will be looking at the pavement from prior discussions held and will bring back those numbers. She stated they are also looking for approvals of the final design and interlocal agreement with the Winter Park City Commission. Then they will move forward to start planning construction dates,

additional costs for the next CRA meeting, and begin putting together the timeframe on this project.

**Motion made by Commissioner Sprinkel to approve the final design (plan) as presented; seconded by Commissioner Seidel.**

Ms. Stone summarized what will come back for approval at the next CRA meeting: pavement types around various intersections and crosswalks, reviewing both striping, faux and real brick, look at Webster intersection for possible re-design, add in another pedestrian way in the area of New England and discussion with Vo-Tech about adding trees at the west side of Denning. Staff will also engage Rollins on the feasibility of a redesign at the northwest corner of New York and Fairbanks for traffic turns.

**Motion made by Commissioner Weldon to approve the interlocal agreement; seconded by Commissioner Sprinkel.**

The following spoke in support of the Denning project as presented:

Tom McMacken, 1821 Shiloh Lane  
Betsy Gardner Eckbert, Chamber President  
Joe Terranova, 151 N. Virginia Avenue

The following spoke in opposition to narrowing the street:  
Kate Carpenter, 1510 Norfolk Avenue

**Upon the roll call vote to approve the final design (plan), Mayor Leary, Orange County Representative, and Commissioners Seidel, Sprinkel, Cooper and Weldon voted yes. The motion carried unanimously with a 6-0 vote.**

**Upon the roll call vote to approve the interlocal agreement, Mayor Leary, Orange County Representative, and Commissioners Seidel, Sprinkel, Cooper and Weldon voted yes. The motion carried unanimously with a 6-0 vote.**

b. Saturday SunRail update

CRA Manager Kyle Dudgeon provided an update on the SunRail initiative. He addressed the City's contribution to the Saturday SunRail service. He provided the options for providing a contribution: 1) pay the original \$20,000 in full; 2) Pro-rate the Saturdays that SunRail ran, making the CRA's contribution to Evolve \$10,770; or 3) Pay 75% or \$15,000 for the service that ran six of the eight weeks leading up to Christmas. He stated they are hoping for future Saturday service because of the benefit to the City. Discussion ensued regarding the March Winter Park Art Festival as related to providing SunRail Saturday service.

Caroline Gardner, SunRail representative, stated they are committed to providing service on March 18 for the art festival and other Orlando events that they hope will run from 9:00 a.m.-11:00 p.m. She asked for the commitment from the City to provide the \$20,000 and for the Chamber of Commerce and Park Avenue Area Association to pay their \$5,000 so that they can add an additional Saturday in the future. Commissioner Cooper expressed the need to understand if providing this service is supporting the merchants. It was determined that this can be documented for future use.

Ms. Gardner addressed their schedule for October-February 4 but that the hurricane interrupted the schedule for a month. She summarized the dates they provided service in November and December that provided Winter Park with six Saturday dates. She stated they were not able to provide data with people's destinations once they left the train but can provide how many people rode per Saturday in and out of Winter Park.

Mayor Leary stated we cannot commit at this time to cover the art festival because that has not publicly been announced as of now. Commissioner Cooper expressed the need for written confirmation as to what the CRA is agreeing to and that a pro-rata share of what they agreed to is reasonable at this time. Orange County Representative Hal George stated he would not commit to the \$20,000 that we previously agreed to but supported the pro-rata amount.

**Motion made by Commissioner Weldon that we pay the prorated \$15,000 amount of our initial commitment; seconded by Commissioner Cooper.**

Betsy Gardner Eckbert, Chamber of Commerce President, spoke in support of the pro-rata commitment and that they will also support a pro-rata contribution on their behalf and the Park Avenue Area Association. She addressed the need for accountability standards moving forward, including the art festival weekend. She stressed the need for more and expanded notice to the public regarding Saturday SunRail services.

**Upon a roll call vote (for the \$15,000), Mayor Leary, Orange County Representative Hal George, and Commissioners Seidel, Sprinkel, Cooper and Weldon voted yes. The motion carried unanimously with a 6-0 vote.**

Informational item

a. CRA Project List Update

Planning Director Dori Stone provided a list of CRA projects to include: downtown parking, network fiber undergrounding, field turf for Martin Luther King Park, electric undergrounding, Post Office purchase, Orlando Avenue improvements, decorative lighting plan, tree planting program, and the introduction into the budget of a CRA enhancement line item. This was for informational purposes only and no action was taken. She stated the numbers provided are for the projects the


CRA Agency listed as their high capital improvement interest areas at the prior work session. They are continuing to determine numbers on all other projects and will provide those at a future meeting.

Mr. George expressed concerns with using CRA funds for undergrounding because that is already going to be done and wanted to make sure of the timing. Ms. Stone stated they will expand the spreadsheet to add another column to discuss specific issues they have as they go through the list.

Schedule CRA meeting

Ms. Stone asked since there are no other scheduled CRA Agency meetings before the art festival and if there is a request from SunRail for art festival funding that we schedule a CRA Agency meeting during the regular March 13 Commission meeting. There was an agreement to schedule this if necessary.

The CRA Agency meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

  
Chairman Steve Leary

ATTEST:

  
City Clerk Cynthia S. Bonham