Present
Alex Trauger, Teri Gagliano, Javier Omana, Jeff Stephens, and Lambrine Macejewski

Absent
Woody Woodall, Mike Emerson

Meeting called to order
Chairman Javier Omana called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m.

Approval of minutes
Motion made by Alex Trauger, seconded by Teri Gagliano, to approve February 28, 2019 minutes.

Informational Items:
Item A: Orange Ave Discussion
Planning Director, Bronce Stephenson, provided a recap of the public meetings held to discuss Orange Avenue which were very well attended. He covered public input and feedback, along with staff’s goals from the meetings. He discussed the possible need to increase the FAR for the area and what mixed-use plans would entail. One goal would be to activate Mead Gardens and create a continual path throughout the area providing safer pedestrian travel from the surrounding area including the 9th Grade Center. The Orange Avenue project was a commission directive that is in the comprehensive plan. Staff recognizes the need to focus on public safety and walkability and will be creating a steering committee to encompass all the needs of the area and discuss the opportunities. The data portion is complete so the planning phase is beginning. Board expressed a concern with the Minnesota and Orange Ave intersection and the possibility of installing a roundabout. Discussion continued regarding the need to control the traffic flow along the corridor.

Item B: CRA Project Update
Parks Director, Jason Seeley, and Landscape Manager, Joe Smirti, provided the Board with a presentation of the progress of the Moonlight Garden and the plans to continue the development and change the look and use of the property. Parks will continue the path behind Casa Feliz with the goal of making a pedestrian friendly path that runs from Interlachen Ave to New York Ave. The Whipple corridor will continue along the area and run along the golf course. Mr. Smirti discussed the landscape plans for phase II – Part A by providing landscaping plans, a visual of sidewalk and sign relocations to tie the path together.
Staff also discussed decorative lighting, public restroom accessibility

Item C: CRA Annual Report
Staff informed Board that the report is available online as well as in the City Clerk’s office
New Business Items:

Mr. Dudgeon provided an update on board terms, when they expire, and if they are eligible for another term.

Nancy Shutts, 2010 Brandywine Drive, inquired if there is any property available for the City to purchase that could be turned into public parking. Stated she has lived here for twenty-five years and there is definitely a problem with finding parking in the business district.

Adjournment:

Next meeting scheduled for May 23, 2019 at 12:00 p.m.

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 1:16

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Chairman, Javier Omana.     Board Liaison, Laura Neudorffer.