



**JACKSONVILLE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT COMMUNITY
REDEVELOPMENT AREA (JIA CRA) ADVISORY BOARD**

City Hall at St. James
117 West Duval Street, 2nd Floor, Conference Room 2C
Jacksonville, FL 32202
Thursday, April 20, 2017 – 4:00 p.m.

ONE CITY. ONE JACKSONVILLE.

MEETING MINUTES

Location: City Hall at St. James, located at 117 West Duval Street, 2nd Floor, Conference Room 2C, Jacksonville, FL 32202

Advisory Board Members Present: Michael Stewart, Lad Daniels, Randle Shoemaker

Advisory Board Members Excused: Steve Swann, Greg Tison

Others Present: Kirk Wendland-Executive Director, Paul Crawford-Deputy Director, Karen Nasrallah-Redevelopment Manager, Angie, Slayton-Administrative Support, Reggie Gaffney-Council Member, Duane Kent-Public Works Engineer, David Duncan-Jacksonville Aviation

I. CALL TO ORDER

Secretary Michael Stewart called the JIA CRA Advisory Board meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

II. ACTION ITEMS

Approval of the December 15, 2016 Meeting Minutes

THERE WAS NOT A QUORUM FOR THIS MEETING.

Pending approval of December 15, 2016 minutes entered for the next meeting.

III. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

UPDATE OF RECENT JIA-CRA AGENCY BOARD ACTIVITIES

Mr. Kirk Wendland provided a summary at the last JIA CRA Advisory Board meeting. He stated that members made a motion to sunset the JIA CRA on September 30, 2018 based on the Genesis Group Draft Report. An amended motion was made to sunset the JIA-CRA on September 30, 2019, and to provide funding for a traffic study. It was also recommended the JIA CRA Advisory Board continue to entertain all project proposals until the CRA sunsets. The amended motion was seconded and approved.

Council Member Gaffney voiced his support in keeping the JIA CRA open until the original completion date in fiscal year 23/24. Council Member Gaffney voiced concerns about the main focus of the JIA CRA thus far has

been to build it economically, but nothing has been done for the community. His concerns are now focused on building the area up structurally. He has proposed two possible projects.

- Armsdale Road / Duval Road
 - New sidewalks, storm water facility, tree mitigation, midblock pedestrian crossing,
 - Intersection improvement at Armsdale and Duval Roads
 - 90-degree curve improvements on Armsdale – new signage/markings, flashing light
- Duval Road
 - New sidewalks, tree mitigation
- Council Member Gaffney advised that he is looking forward to working with the JIA CRA Advisory Board and the new projects that may become available if it does not sunset early.
- Ms. Shoemaker questioned how the CRA determined this area to be a blighted area and what has been done to correct this. Ms. Shoemaker asked why the JIA CRA is trying to sunset early when the original date is only four years out. The JIA CRA Advisory Board needs to review and determine why the board needs to sunset early and has everything that can be completed, been completed.
- Mr. Wendland advised most of this area was vacant when the CRA was created. Over the years CRA dollars have been allotted to economic development creating jobs in the area. Virtually everything done to date has been north of I-295. A broader look is now focusing on what can be completed before the JIA CRA sunsets on the southern portion of the CRA.
- Mr. Daniels feels the success of this area was its vacant land. A large number of jobs have been created to the success of the CRA. Now there is some infrastructure development needed as a result of the growth in the area.
- Council Member Gaffney reported a nursing home is in the works on Armsdale Road.
- Mr. Michael Stewart asked if the JIA CRA had provided a sunset date in the beginning.
- Ms. Nasrallah advised there is not a sunset date in the CRA plan, however, there is a date in the Florida Statutes stating the CRA sunsets in 30 years from the date of authorization. JIA CRA authorization date is February 23, 1993.
- Mr. Stewart stated when the CRA was created there was an approved list of projects. He questioned when funds from the JIA CRA can be used.
- Ms. Nasrallah advised if a project is not in the plan, TIF dollars cannot be used to fund it.
- Mr. Daniels asked about the traffic study that was requested in the December 2016 meeting.
- Mr. Wendland advised the Chair presented the motion and no definitive answer was received.
- Mr. Daniels asked what control the CRA has to keep unused money from being swept from the CRA.
- Mr. Wendland advised that unused money that has not been earmarked for future projects will be swept into the City's General Fund account.
- Mr. Wendland outlined the agenda for the JIA CRA Board meeting on April 25, 2017. There are four Resolutions.
- Changing the Bylaws to state public notices can be published in any news media outlet that has a circulation of general distribution during a five day work week.
- Rev Grants for Ecolab and Ramco need to be increased by \$16,633 due to unexpected higher tax increments.

- Confirming the sunset date for JIA CRA. The Board was established in 1990, the plan in 1993. The board confirmed the sunset date given the maximum is 30 years.
- Authorize Armsdale/Duval Road projects and the budget of 1.8 million remaining for FY 16/17 and 3.3 million for FY 17/18 by OED staff.

PUBLIC WORKS PROJECTS

Mr. Duane Kent with Public Works provided a handout showing the Armsdale & Duval Road projects with the sidewalk connections and safety signage improvements.

- The 90 degree turn on Armsdale Road, needs to have better signage or warning lights. Multiple accidents there each year.
- Proposed traffic signal at Armsdale and Duval Roads
- Sidewalks along Armsdale, Biscayne and Duval Roads

Rough cost estimates are available upon request.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Daniels asked again about a traffic study.

Mr. Wendland advised that if the current projects are approved, there will be no funding to move forward with the traffic study.

V. BOARD LIAISON UPDATES

No new updates.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no comments from the public.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Secretary Stewart adjourned the meeting at approximately 5:08 p.m.

The JIA CRA Board will meet in Council Chambers on Tuesday, April 25, 2017.

The next JIA CRA Advisory Board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 18, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.

The written minutes for this meeting are only an overview of what was discussed. For verbatim comments of this meeting, an audio file of the meeting is available in its entirety and is available upon request. Please contact Angie Slayton at (904) 630-1858, or by email at aslayton@coj.net.