



RENEW ARLINGTON COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AREA ADVISORY BOARD

City Hall at St. James
117 West Duval Street, 2nd Floor, Conference Room 2C
Jacksonville, FL 32202
Wednesday, December 12, 2018 – 3:30 p.m.

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; Matt Tuohy-Chairman, Randy Goodwin - Vice Chair, Ann Burt, Dr. Ron Salem, Raj Adhikari

Advisory Board Members Absent: Steven Berry, Danyuell Newkirk

Others Present: Karen Nasrallah-Redevelopment Manager, Angie Slayton-Administrative Support, Taylor Meija-IGS, Susan Grandin-OGC, CM Joyce Morgan, DeeDee Harper, Tom Larson-Self Help Credit Union, Carol Harris, Shawn Parnell-JEA, Ryan Heaton-JEA, Renee Good-JEA, Margaret Dees-JU, Michael Short-JEA, Steve Tye-JEA

I. CALL TO ORDER

Renew Arlington Advisory Board Chairman Tuohy called the Renew Arlington Advisory Board meeting to order at approximately 3:35 p.m.

Chair Tuohy announced to the room that this would be Ann Burt's last Renew Arlington Advisory Board meeting as a board member. Chair Tuohy thanked Ms. Burt for her time and contribution to the Renew Arlington Advisory Board and presented her with a letter of thanks from the Office of the City Council.

Chair Tuohy then welcomed Ms. Delmas (DeeDee) Harper as the replacement for Ms. Burt.

II. ACTION ITEMS

Approval of the November 14, 2018 Meeting Minutes

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RENEW ARLINGTON ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER SALEM TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS DISTRIBUTED. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY RENEW ARLINGTON ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER GOODWIN. MEETING MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 10, 2018 WERE PASSED AS PRESENTED UNANIMOUSLY 4-0.

Façade Grant Guideline Development

Mr. Wendland began the discussion with two key points to be addressed by the Renew Arlington CRA Advisory Board. The first being, who will be responsible for approving the

Façade Grant applications when received. Mr. Wendland referred to the current Façade Grant program in the NWJEDF area which are reviewed and facilitated through the Office of Economic Development (OED) staff.. Mr. Wendland suggested that OED staff also facilitate the Renew Arlington Façade Grant applications and fund distribution. It was agreed that OED staff would provide oversight of the program.

Ms. Karen Nasrallah reviewed edits and clarifications previously requested by Renew Arlington Advisory Board Members.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RENEW ARLINGTON ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER SALEM TO ALLOW THE OFFICE OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STAFF TO OVERSEE THE FAÇADE GRANT APPLICATIONS AND DISTRIBUTIONS. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY RENEW ARLINGTON ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER ANN BURT. THE MOTION WAS PASSED 5-0.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY RENEW ARLINGTON ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER SALEM TO APPROVE THE FAÇADE GRANT PROGRAM WITH THE EDITS AS PROVIDED. THE MOTION WAS SECONDED BY RENEW ARLINGTON ADVISORY BOARD MEMBER GOODWIN. THE MOTION WAS APPROVED 5-0

III. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

JEA Electric Opportunities

Mr. Ryan Heaton- JEA provided a handout of the Arlington Area Improvement Project to the room. This presentation is in response to a previous request made by the Renew Arlington Advisory Board Members for an estimated cost for utilities within the Renew Arlington CRA to be placed underground. The area includes, Merrill Road from University Blvd N. to I-295 and University Blvd N. from The Arlington Expressway to Justina Terrace. Currently estimated costs are:

- University Blvd (JU Segment): Burdette Road to Justina Terrace
 - \$3,457,429.88
- University Blvd: Arlington Expressway to River Road
 - \$5,500,456.64
- Merrill Road
 - \$20,971,270.93
- Total Cost:
 - \$29,929,157.45

A more detailed breakdown was provided as well as a reminder that this is only an estimate for the JEA portion of this project. This estimate does not include any other utilities (AT&T, Comcast etc.), street lighting, conversion from overhead to underground cost, or connection to any property.

There was continued discussion on additional, optional funding outlets including, state grants, bonds and loans.

Self-Help Credit Union

Mr. Tom Larson of Self-Help Credit Union came in to discuss with the Renew Arlington CRA Advisory Board members the willingness for the Self-Help Credit Union to provide loans for the businesses and residents in the CRA area. Mr. Larsen expressed the interest of Self-Help Credit Union assist the Arlington area with mortgages for new businesses as well as property improvements on existing properties.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

No old Business

V. NEW BUSINESS

During the January 2019 meeting, we will be discussing the Slate of Officers.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No Public Comment

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Tuohy adjourned the meeting at approximately 5:00 p.m.

Next Renew Arlington CRA meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 9, 2018 at 3:30 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.