



ALACHUA CRA

COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Community Redevelopment Agency Advisory Board Meeting Minutes February 11, 2019

Chair Rudy Rothseiden
Vice - Chair Bryan Boukari
Member Marvin Bingham, Jr.
Member Kelly Harris
Member Rick Robertson

Executive Director Adam Boukari

Community Redevelopment Agency Advisory Board Meeting 3:00 PM DRAFT Meeting Date: February 11, 2019

Meeting Location: James A. Lewis Commission Chambers

Notice given pursuant to Section 286.0105, Florida Statutes. In order to appeal any decision made at this meeting, you will need a verbatim record of the proceedings. It will be your responsibility to ensure such a record is made.

CRA ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Rudy Rothseiden called the meeting to order. Vice Chair Bryan Boukari and Member Kelly Harris were absent.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Member Marvin Bingham moved to approve the agenda; seconded by Member Rick Robertson.

Passed by unanimous consent.

I. OLD BUSINESS

None.

II. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Approval of the Minutes of the January 14, 2019 CRA Advisory Board Meeting.

Member Robertson moved to approve the minutes; seconded by Member Bingham.

Passed by unanimous consent.

- B. Business Facade Grant Program: A request by Gussie Lee, applicant and property owner, requesting the approval of a Business Facade Grant Application for Project improvements to a building located at 14954 Main Street.

CRA Coordinator Chelsea Bakaitis presented the Staff Report.

Member Bingham moved that based upon Staff's recommendation, this Board finds the Business Facade Grant Program Application submitted by Gussie Lee for improvements to a building located at 14954 Main Street to be consistent with the Business Facade Grant Program Policies and Procedures and transmits the application to the City of Alachua Community Redevelopment Agency; seconded by Member Robertson.

Motion Passed 3-0 in a roll call vote.

Member Rick Robertson inquired about the length of time the applicant's business has been on Main Street.

Gussie Lee, applicant and property owner, responded.

- C. Business Facade Grant Program Application: A request by Mike and Bonnie Del Rosal, applicants and property owners, requesting the approval of a Business Facade Grant Application for Project improvements to a building located at 14874 Main Street.

CRA Coordinator Bakaitis presented the Staff Report.

Member Bingham moved that based upon Staff's recommendation, this Board finds the Business Facade Grant Program Application submitted by Mike and Bonnie Del Rosal for improvements to a building located at 14874 Main Street to be consistent with the Business Facade Grant Program Policies and Procedures and transmits the application to the City of Alachua Community Redevelopment Agency; seconded by Member Robertson.

Member Robertson inquired about the eligibility for business owners leasing their property to apply for a Facade Grant.

CRA Coordinator Bakaitis responded.

Motion Passed 3-0 in a roll call vote.

- D. CRA Activities Staff Update.

CRA Bakaitis presented the Staff update.

Member Robertson inquired about the size of the printed walking guide map.

CRA Coordinator Bakaitis responded.

Chair Rothseiden suggested an online walking guide.

CRA Coordinator Bakaitis responded.

Member Robertson suggested bolding the font of business names on the walking guide.

Chair Rothsieden suggested adding additional businesses to the walking guide.

Member Bingham commented on the success of the Farmer's Market at the last Third Thursday on Main.

- E. Presentation of Draft Annual Report of the City of Alachua CRA activities during Fiscal Year 2018 (October 1, 2017 - September 30, 2018).

CRA Coordinator Bakaitis presented the Draft Annual Report.

Chair Rothsieden commended the CRA Staff for their hard work on the budget and past events, and he said that he supports future growth and redevelopment on Main Street.

III. BOARD COMMENTS/DISCUSSION

Chair Rothseiden suggested the CRA consider renewable energy options. He also commented about traffic on NW 142nd Terrace.

IV. CITIZENS COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURN

Member Robertson moved to adjourn; seconded by Member Bingham.

Passed by unanimous consent.

ATTEST:

CRA ADVISORY BOARD
OF ALACHUA, FLORIDA

CRA Advisory Board Chair

Staff Liaison