

City of Palm Bay, Florida

BAYFRONT COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

Regular Meeting 2023-04

Held on Wednesday, the 7th day of September 2023 at City Hall Council Chambers, 120 Malabar Road SE, Palm Bay, Florida.

This meeting was properly noticed pursuant to law; the minutes are on file in the Bayfront Community Redevelopment Agency Office, City Hall Annex, Palm Bay, Florida.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Medina at approximately 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

CHAIRPERSON:	Rob Medina	Present
VICE-CHAIRPERSON:	Donny Felix	Present
COMMISSIONER:	Kenny Johnson	Present
COMMISSIONER:	Randy Foster	Absent
COMMISSIONER:	Philip Weinberg	Present
COMMISSIONER:	Vicki Northrup	Present
BAYFRONT CRA ATTORNEY:	Patricia Smith	Present

STAFF MEMBERS:

Nancy Bunt, Bayfront CRA Administrator; Suzanne Sherman, City Manager; Danielle Crotts, Economic Development Manager; Robert McKinzie, Economic Development Specialist.

PUBLIC COMMENTS (NON-AGENDA ITEMS):

1. Richard DeRosa, resident, spoke about some of the issues he came across when trying to place purchase offers on the BCRA-owned properties that were currently for sale located along Orange Blossom Trail NE (1608 and unassigned). Mrs. Bunt confirmed that his offer(s) was included as part of the current agenda packet and was originally brought before Board at the July 19, 2023, Regular Meeting.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

1. Bayfront CRA Regular Meeting 2023-03; July 19, 2023

Motion by Commissioner Weinberg, seconded by Commissioner Northrup, to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Resolution for Fiscal Year 2024 Proposed Budget of the Bayfront CRA.

Motion by Commissioner Johnson, seconded by Commissioner Weinberg, to adopt Resolution 2023-01, approving the Fiscal Year 2024 Proposed Budget of the Bayfront CRA. Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Consideration of purchase offers for properties located at 1608 Orange Blossom Trail (Parcel ID: 28-37-24-25-6-16 and Tax ID: 2832603) and address unassigned Orange Blossom Trail NE (Parcel ID: 28-37-24-25-6-13 and Tax ID: 2866312).

Jennifer Randall, representative for Stan Kirschner, spoke about Mr. Kirschner's purchase offers and his intended use of the properties to bring stylish housing (duplexes) with a high-end look.

Richard DeRosa, resident, spoke about his purchase offers and his plan to land bank the properties to make it feasible for someone to come in in the future to assemble as part of a larger-scale project to align with the vision of the Bayfront, rather than a piecemeal approach.

Mrs. Bunt mentioned that Mr. Timmons was not able to attend the meeting but provided a letter to the Commissioners which was part of their agenda packet.

Motion by Commissioner Weinberg, seconded by Commissioner Johnson, to accept purchase offers from Palm Bay Landing LLC for properties located at 1608 Orange Blossom Trail (Parcel ID: 28-37-24-25-6-16 and Tax ID: 2832603) and address unassigned Orange Blossom Trail NE (Parcel ID: 28-37-24-25-6-13 and Tax ID: 2866312).

COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

Commissioner Northrup spoke about an editorial piece she came across written by a resident who had concerns with how City Council voted on a proposed development project in the Bayfront area located at 2390 Kirkland Road NE (Steamboat Landing). She said she planned to speak on this at an upcoming City Council Meeting and planned to meet with staff after she did some more research.

Commissioner Weinberg thanked Mike Timmons for his continued investment in the Bayfront area and he looked forward to seeing his completed project.

Commissioner Johnson said he would like to read the editorial piece that Ms. Northrup mentioned. He asked if staff could elaborate on the additional City-owned parcels that Mr. Timmons was looking to purchase and had referenced earlier in the meeting. Ms. Sherman provided a brief update on these properties which were located along Water Drive NE.

Vice Chairman Felix shared his appreciation for Mr. Timmons' continued investment into the Bayfront area.

Chairman Medina congratulated Mr. Timmons and wished him success in his project.

OTHER AGENCY BUSINESS:

There was no Other Agency Business.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 5:47 PM.

Rob Medina, CHAIRPERSON

ATTEST:

Danielle Crotts, AGENCY SECRETARY