



HISTORIC TOWN OF EATONVILLE, FLORIDA

COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, December 18, 2024, at 6:30 PM

Town Hall (Council Chambers) – 307 E. Kennedy Blvd

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CALL TO ORDER – Chair Gardner called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL – Quorum was established through roll call by Town Clerk. ****Director Critton arrived after roll call****

PRESENT: (6) Director Wanda Randolph, Director Tarus Mack, Director Rodney Daniels, Vice Chair Theo Washington, Director Ruthi Critton, Chair Angie Gardner (**Absent:** Vice-Chair Donovan Williams)

STAFF: (3) Michael Johnson, **CRA Executive Director**, Veronica King, **Town Clerk**; Andrew Hand, **Attorney**

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Gardner led the invocation through a Moment of Silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

PRESENTATIONS

November 2024 Fiscal Report – Mr. Johnson gave an overview of the November 2024 Fiscal report
CRA Revenues total \$1,962,491.75; Expenditures to date are \$1,961,565.16. The fiscal coordinator is not present, all questions can be sent to the Executive Director Johnson.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION – (1)

David Barany – wanted to thank you for your support for the Club project, thank Mr. Johnson for initiating the project and to Mrs. Wanda Miss Wanda (Director Randolph) for helping to get it going, have confidence in knowing that Mr. Johnson is back, under his leadership, there is a strong chance of bringing this project to a completion, I am the owner of the building, but it is a CRA project, here to help with whatever it takes.

CONSENT AGENDA

Chair Garner motion to APPROVE the consent agenda with amendment approving CRA Board Meeting Minutes for 8-15-2024; 9-3-2024; 11-21-2024; **moved** by Director Critton; **second** by Director Mack; **AYE: ALL; MOTION PASSES. Amendment:** Name change on meeting minutes for September 3, 2024, changing Angela Thomas to Angela Johnson.

BOARD DISCUSSIONS: (No board discussions)

BOARD DECISIONS:

Approval of Resolution CRA-R-2024-41 CRA Board Meeting Schedule for 2025 (Preamble Read) - **Chair Garner motion to APPROVE** Resolution CRA-R-2024-41 CRA Board Meeting Schedule for 2025; **moved** by Vice Chair Washington; **second** by Director Mack; **AYE: ALL; MOTION PASSES. Comment:** The schedule will be poster on the CRA website; changes and cancellations to meetings will be indicated on the CRA and

Town's website as well as posted on the town's bulletin board; the Executive Director suggest training sessions when there is not an agenda.

Approval of Resolution CRA-R-2024-42 Authorizing the Executive Director the authority to suspend all CRA programs not consistent with the 1997 CRA Plan - Chair Garner motion to APPROVE

Resolution CRA-R-2024-42 Authorizing the Executive Director the authority to suspend all CRA programs not consistent with the 1997 CRA Plan; **moved** by Director Mack; **second** by Vice Chair Washington; **Comments:** Upon the review of all program, the Executive Director provide an overview of all programs providing reasons for inconsistencies with some programs and reasons for keeping other programs, request that any termination of programs are brought to the board for a decision (vote), in the suspending or removing of programs it is requested to find an alternative or a supplement to potentially keeping the program or benefit to the community going, while ensuring that it aligns with the plan. The Executive Director will bring back a list and rationale of the programs as to why something is being removed, bringing back for a vote, recommend tabling this item, need to make substantive changes and bring back those programs that are consistent with the plan and accomplishes more involvement of the residents, suggest changes to the resolution taking out the authority and authorization to suspend and change stating that the executive director will bring all CRA programs not consistent with the 1997 CRA plan to the board for suspension or modification.

(Previous Motions Rescinded) Chair Garner motion to TABLE Resolution CRA-R-2024-42 Authorizing the Executive Director the authority to suspend all CRA programs not consistent with the 1997 CRA Plan; **moved** by Director Randolph; **second** by Director Mack; **AYE: ALL; MOTION PASSES (Item Tabled).**

Approval of Resolution CRA-R-2024-43 Approving the CRA Bylaws - Chair Garner motion to TABLE

Resolution CRA-R-2024-43 Approving the CRA Bylaws; **moved** by Director Critton; **second** by Vice Chair Washington; **AYE: ALL MOTION PASSES (Item Tabled).** **Comments:** tabled until the next meeting and the Executive Director will bring back the programs with justification along with a revised resolution that will speak to the new language. **Comments:** Board members can send additional information to include in the bylaws to the Executive Director, the document presented represents the combination of three previous drafts, inquired about having each individual change itemized and agreeing upon those changes as they will be represented in one document, the Executive Directive will highlight those changes that are not consistent an bring back in January, keep the January agenda light (the main item).

Approval of Resolution CRA-R-2024-44 Authorizing the Executive Director or Designee to have limited access to the CRA Trust Account for the purpose of obtaining bank records and statements only

(Preamble Read) - **Chair Garner motion to APPROVE** Resolution CRA-R-2024-44 Authorizing the Executive Director or Designee to have limited access to the CRA Trust Account for the purpose of obtaining bank records and statements only; **moved** by Director Mack; **second** by Vice Chair Washington; **AYE: ALL; MOTION PASSES.** **Comments:** There are discrepancies on the resolution. Request to rescind Resolution CRA-R-2024-44 and table.

Chair Garner motion to RECONSIDER Resolution CRA-R-2024-44 Authorizing the Executive Director or Designee to have limited access to the CRA Trust Account for the purpose of obtaining bank records and statements only; **moved** by Director Mack; **second** by Director Daniels; **AYE:ALL; MOTION PASSES (Resolution CRA-R-2024-44 RECONSIDERED).**

Chair Garner motion to RESCIND/TABLE Resolution CRA-R-2024-44 Authorizing the Executive Director or Designee to have limited access to the CRA Trust Account for the purpose of obtaining bank records and statements only; **moved** by Director Mack; **second** by Director Randolph; **AYE:ALL; MOTION PASSES (Item Rescinded/Tabled).**

Approval of Resolution CRA-R-2024-45 Authorizing the Administration of The TOECRA and Town of Eatonville to complete bank transfers as required per the 2007 Revised Interlocal agreement between the

TOECRA, Town of Eatonville and Orange County (Preamble Read) - **Chair Garner motion to APPROVE** Resolution CRA-R-2024-45 Authorizing the Administration of The TOECRA and Town of Eatonville to complete bank transfers as required per the 2007 Revised Interlocal agreement between the TOECRA, Town of Eatonville and Orange County; **moved** by Director Randolph; **second** by Director Mack; **AYE:ALL; MOTION PASSES.**

Approval of Resolution CRA-R-2024-46 Terminating the Interlocal Agreement between the TOECRA and the Town of Eatonville- **Chair Garner motion to TABLE** Resolution CRA-R-2024-46 Terminating the Interlocal Agreement between the TOECRA and the Town of Eatonville; **moved** by Director Randolph; **second** by Director Daniels; **AYE:ALL; MOTION PASSES (Item Tabled).** **Comments:** Table until a revised Interlocal Agreement is presented to replace it.

Approval of Resolution CRA-R-2024-47 Approving Auditing Services Agreement to be performed by Carr Rigg & Ingram (CRI) LLC-(Preamble Read)- **Chair Garner motion to APPROVE** Resolution CRA-R-2024-47 Approving Auditing Services Agreement to be performed by Carr Rigg & Ingram (CRI) LLC; **moved** by Director Randolph; **second** by Director Critton; **AYE:ALL; MOTION PASSES**

BOARD REPORTS:

Executive Director (Michael Johnson) – Thanked the board for the opportunity to serve again as executive Director, thanks to Mrs. Randolph (Director Randolph) for the assistance provided, she has set up relationships and look forward taking thing to the next level.

Attorney (Andrew Hand) – Attorney Jackson asked to pass on information regarding the 225 Kennedy property, he is waiting for a completed affidavit so he can submit to the Comptroller's office

Director Ruthi Critton - No Report

Director Tarus Mack – Congratulations, Mr. Johnson as the new executive director, it is a pleasure seeing you sit up here again, I know you are going to do a sensational job as you did in the past. I appreciate everything that you brought to tonight's agenda, as a board we have to make sure that we are making great decisions for CRA; expressed concern of not having police coverage and protection the CRA meetings which is problematic; hoping to get feedback about the community police center from the community versus just forcing it upon them, it is a residential area and we definitely need to make it more community than about the police, we do not have much crime out here (Micheal Johnson) The policing community grant is a federal and the town is the applicant, have talked to the police chief about community policing and he is helping to write the agreement to the CRA component to make sure we have that community policing component in there, but the grant is a town issue, it has nothing to do with CRA, anything that is federal is always town; looking forward to Christmas on the Boulevard tomorrow on the field.

Director Rodney Daniels – Sent an email to Executive Director's assistant, requesting information on December 3, 2024, and asked for status on a request in which the assistant has not gotten back, I do have questions (the Executive Director will follow tomorrow to get a response back to Councilman Daniels).

Director Wanda Randolph – tonight's meeting went very well, and I want to thank Mr. Johnson for collaborating and working things out to get things prepared for this meeting. I appreciate everyone, your cooperation, your support, during my tenure as interim executive director until we were able to hire one. Mrs. Selena Fleming passed away on November the 23rd, lived on Clark Street, and already has a resolution for the family.

Vice Chair Theo Washington – welcome back Mr. Johnson, looking forward to working with you on programs and getting the CRA back on its feet implementing what will be needed and getting things done, being professional and transparent, and making things happen.

Chair Angie Gardner – welcomed Director Johnson and looking forward to the 2025 achievements; to Director Mack, the charrette regarding that building (police community center) and the community engagement piece has begun. Mr. Pressley has giving feedback to the committee; tomorrow's events start at 4pm, from 4 - pm there will be a band playing, from 5-6pm the Thomas Leadership Academy will be performing, 6-7:30pm Hungerford Elementary will put on a show, from 7:30 – 9pm the band will play again and the event will close with performances.

ADJOURNMENT Chair Angie Gardner Motions for Adjournment of Meeting (**Moved** by Director Mack; **Second** by Director Randolph; **AYE: ALL, MOTION PASSES. Meeting Adjourned at 7:19 P.M.**

Respectfully Submitted by:



Veronica L King, Town Clerk

APPROVED



Angie Gardner, Chair