

# HISTORIC TOWN OF EATONVILLE, FLORIDA COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AGENDA

Thursday, June 15, 2023 at 6:30 PM Town Hall - 307 E Kennedy Blvd

- I. CALL TO ORDER
- II. ROLL CALL
- III. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- IV. PUBLIC PARTICIPTAION \*\*Three Minutes Strictly Enforced\*\*
- V. CONSENT AGENDA
  - **1.** Approval of Meeting Minutes May 18, 2023 (Clerk's Office)
- VI. BOARD DISCUSSION
  - 2. Discussion of Monthly Financial Report (Administration)
  - 3. Discussion of Bylaws of the TOECRA (Administration)
- VII. STAFF REPORTS
- VIII. BOARD REPORTS
- IX. ADJOURNMENT

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#### HISTORIC TOWN OF EATONVILLE, FLORIDA

#### **REGULAR CRA MEETING**

#### JUNE 15, 2023 AT 06:30 PM

### **Cover Sheet**

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ITEM TITLE:

Approval of CRA Meeting Minutes – May 18, 2023

#### **COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT ACTION:**

CRA DECISION		Department: LEGISLATIVE (CLERK'S OFFICE)
CONSENT AGENDA	YES	Exhibits:
NEW BUSINESS		• CRA Meeting Minutes – May 18, 2023
ADMINISTRATIVE		
CRA DISCUSSION		

**REQUEST:** Approval of the CRA Meeting Minutes for the May 18, 2023 meeting.

**<u>SUMMARY</u>**: The CRA Meeting was held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, May 18, 2023, 6:30 p.m. and minutes were transcribed from the audio archive for approval for the public records.

**RECOMMENDATION:** For Board of Directors to approve the May 18, 2023 CRA meeting minutes.

FISCAL & EFFICIENCY DATA: N/A



## HISTORIC TOWN OF EATONVILLE, FLORIDA COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday, May 18, 2023 at 6:30 PM

Town Hall (Board Chamber) - 307 E Kennedy Blvd. 32751

**SPECIAL NOTICE:** These meeting minutes are presented in an abbreviated format intended as a public record discussion of stated meeting according to the Florida's Government-in-the-Sunshine law. Meetings are opened to the public, noticed within reasonable advance notice, and transcribed into minutes for public record. \*\*Audio Recording are available through the Town's website on the Board Agenda Page.

**CALL TO ORDER** – Chair Gardner called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

**ROLL CALL** – Quorum was established through roll call by the Town Clerk

**PRESENT**: (4) Chair Angie Gardner, Director Ruthie Critton, Director Wanda Randolph, Director Marlin Daniels (**Not In Attendance:** Vice-Chair Rodney Daniels, Director Leviticus Henderson, Director Theo Washington)

STAFF: (3) Nicole Bonds, CRA Executive Director, Veronica King, Town Clerk, Greg Jackson, Attorney, Joseph Jenkins, Deputy Chief.

#### INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

#### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - (The Three-minute rule was strictly enforced)**

**Angela Johnson** – (Inquires) Board Absentee, CRA Master Plan, The Paint, Plant, and Pave Program, The Federal Funds from Omnibus (Agenda Item #6), funding a master plan for the Francis Jerry Park.

**APPROVAL CONSENT AGENDA** – Chair Gardner Motions to approve Consent Agenda for approval of TOECRA Meeting Minutes for 4-20-2023; Moved by Director Randolph; Second by Director M. Daniels; **AYE: ALL, MOTION PASSES.** 

#### **BOARD DISCUSSION**

<u>Presentation on The Help CDC Neighborhood Stabilization</u> – Presentation was done through PowerPoint by Nicole Oriel on the Help Community Development Corporation, the Linking Legacies (Heir's Property) Program, and other services offered through HELP CDC. Community Event is scheduled on Saturday, May 20, 2023 at 9:00am located at The Life Center Church; come learn more about the Linking Legacies Program, how to protect homes in Eatonville, and connect with other communities agencies and partners.

Discuss Monthly Financial Report – Ms. Bonds gave a full account of the TOECRA financials for April/May

<u>Discuss RFP for Investigation Results</u> – There were no bids submitted; report indicates four (4) reviewers. Requesting feedback from the viewers

<u>Discuss Special Investigation</u> – Want to move to the next step in the investigation; will submit as a board decision in June. There is a need for transparency and accountability. Staff will look into the CRA Audit for results; the audit should be completed at the end of June. (Suggestions): File complaint individually with State Attorney's office. An email needs to be sent to the auditor about the investigation to ensure they are aware of acquiring 1 of 3 05182023CRAMeetingMinutes

results that can provide information on questioning financial activity relative to the investigation. (Legar) Reviewed the former CRA Executive Director's contract but did not approve it.

Discuss Federal Funds from Omnibus: (Randolph) How did this funding come about; who wrote the grant proposal for the town and requested the allocations. How was it decided based upon the needs? The representative reached out to learn about the needs of the community because of the appropriations available. (Gardner)To avoid missing out on the opportunity, Mr. Johnson was asked to help with the grant proposal. (Randolph) Requesting information that the Mayor presented to board on proposed ideas/projects for the town. (M. Daniels) There should be one Master Plan for the entire town; there are master plans that were previously developed in specific areas such as the Denton Johnson and Town Shoppe. (Critton) Is the \$2 million funding for the purchase of the property and the development: only for the purchase of the land. Will confirm if the money can be used for other projects beyond what was proposed; will research.

<u>Discuss Property at 225 West Kennedy Boulevard, Eatonville</u>: (Legal) Recommendation is to serve a notice of trespass due to the activity that has been identified through the law enforcement agency; EPD do not have a policy to issue a notice of trespass. An unlawful detainer can be filed with the courts to address the tenants in the home. The attorney for the estate of Tommy Dixon has inquired about the board's position on returning the property. Statutory guidance has been provided on how to convey the property back; need the board's direction. (M. Daniels) Requesting copy of the trespass policy drafted from Attorney Jackson.

<u>Discuss Lien on Property at 213 West Kennedy Boulevard, Eatonville</u>: Ms. Wilder is requesting lien to be removed from the stated property (Legal) Unable to find proper documentation. There are two ways to handle this matter; through the courts or to withdraw the lien on the property. (Gardner) Monies were received; documents reviewed indicated the payout. In 2019 during a meeting, it was agreed to place the lien on the property for 5 years; (M. Daniels) interested in hearing the conversation during the meeting in 2019. Would like to verify the same information for Mr. Barany lien as well.

#### STAFF REPORTS

<u>Nicole Bonds</u> - Executive Director – (Investigation) – The Paint, Plant, and Pave Program; determination of the program for this fiscal or next fiscal year will be made once budget is reviewed, if feasible with consideration to any necessary potential budget adjustment.

Attorney Greg Jackson - No Report

#### **BOARD REPORTS**

- 1. <u>Director Ruthie Critton</u> Attended the Florida League of Cities CRA Training; was extremely helpful as a new board member. Learned about many resources available.
- 2. <u>Director M. Daniels</u> Pleased with the movement/progress that is taking place in the town and CRA side; thanks to Ms. Bonds for providing requested information. Would like to see the CRA Bylaws presented at the next meeting. Requesting to do a budget adjustment with adequate documentation.
- 3. **Director M. Daniels** Pleased with the movement/progress that is taking place in the town and CRA side; thanks to Ms. Bonds for providing requested information. Would like to see the CRA Bylaws presented at the next meeting. Requesting to do a budget adjustment with adequate documentation.
- 4. <u>Director Wanda Randolph</u> CRA Training in Tampa was good: learned a lot. Spoke to Ms. Bonds contract; she is currently working without a contract. A decision needs to be made; post position and extend contract. (Gardner) The emergency hire was extended three (3) months until such time of a permanent hire.

5. <u>Chair Angie Gardner</u> – (Catalina Master Plan) The prior Director was looking at doing a master plan; however, have been in contact with the representatives and no timeframe is available at this time. The Catalina master plan It will be a part of the conversation and plans discussed/identified with the current stakeholder group/meetings; for one large master plan. (Community Policing) Received the \$2 million agreement. Ms. Johnson will request a meeting or ask to be on the next meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT** Chair Gardner Motions for Adjournment of Meeting (Moved by Director M. Daniels; Second by Director Randolph; **AYE: ALL, MOTION PASSES. Meeting Adjourned AT 8:53 P.M.** 

Respectfully Submitted by:	APPROVED
Voronica I. King. Town Clork	Angia Cardnar Chair
Veronica L King, Town Clerk	Angie Gardner, Chair



# HISTORIC TOWN OF EATONVILLE, FLORIDA REGULAR CRA MEETING

### JUNE 15, 2023 AT 6:30 PM

#### **Cover Sheet**

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**ITEM TITLE**: Monthly Financial Report

#### **COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT ACTION:**

CRA DECISION		Department: ADMINISTRATION
CONSENT AGENDA		Exhibits:
NEW BUSINESS		CRA Financial (May 2023)
ADMINISTRATIVE		
CRA DISCUSSION	YES	

**REQUEST:** To discuss Updates on the TOECRA Financials/Budget

<u>SUMMARY</u>: The TOECRA Board of Directors desires to have a full accounting of the financial actions taken by or on behalf of TOECRA from month to month in order to make proper financial decisions for the Agency.

On October 18, 2022, the TOECRA adopted Resolution CRA-R-2022-22 directing the Executive Director or appointed staff to provide financial statements, as well as checks and bank statements at each and every TOECRA regular meeting.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Staff is recommending that the TOECRA Board discuss the Town of Eatonville CRA Financial Report.

FISCAL & EFFICIENCY DATA: N/A

DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT	FISCAL YR 2023	FISCAL YR 2023	FISCAL YR 2023	FISCAL YR 2023
ACCOUNT NAME	NUMBER	PROPOSED	APPROVED	ACTUAL	ACCOUNT
		BUDGET	BUDGET	EXPENDITURES	BALANCES
CRA REVENUE					
AD VALOREM TAXES					
Ad Valorem Taxes - Orange County	303-311.1000	150,000.00	150,000.00	444,162.33	132,529.67
TIF - Town of Eatonville	303-319.0000	200,000.00	200,000.00	730,518.57	217,971.34
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES & USES					
Received from GF - Administration Svcs	303-341.9000				
DUE TO CRA FROM TOE GF		322,000.00			
CRA Balance Forward		600,000.00			593,180.72
Interest Earnings	303-361.0000				
CRA - 303-515					
EXPENDITURES					
PERSONAL SERVICES					
Salaries & Wages - Regular (FT)	303-0515-515.1200	141,343.00	92,000.00	0.00	
CRA Executive Director		81,343.00	56,000.00	0.00	56,000.00
CRA Admin Asst		40,000.00	18,000.00	2,145.20	15,854.80
CRA Fiscal Coordinator		20,000.00	18,000.00	0.00	18,000.00
TOTAL SALARIES & WAGES		141,343.00	92,000.00	2,145.20	89,854.80
FRINGE BENEFITS					
FICA Taxes - 7.65%	303-0515-515.2100	13,108.00	13,108.00	0.00	
Retirement 5% (ED 10% per contract 2022)	303-0515-515-2200	7,068.00	7,068.00	0.00	
Health/Life Insurance	303-0515-515-2300	16,000.00	16,000.00	0.00	
Unemployment Compensation	303-0515-515.2500				
Workers' Compensation	303-0515-515.2400				
TOTAL FRINGE BENEFITS		36,176.00	36,176.00	0.00	0.00
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OPERATING SERVICES					
Professional Services	303-0515-515.3100	200,000.00	50,000.00	1,400.00	48,600.00
Contractual Services	303-0515-515.3400	50,000.00	1,000.00	42,964.98	
Attoney Fees				11,950.00	
Administrator Contract				31,014.98	-41,964.98
Accounting & Auditing	303-0515-515.3200	10,000.00	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
Rental Leases	303-0515-515.4400	20,000.00	10,000.00	12,518.76	-2,518.76
Gas & Oil	303-0515-515.5290	3,000.00	3,000.00	512.73	2,487.27
Travel & Per Diem	303-0515-515.4000	7,500.00	3,750.00	100.00	3,650.00
Communication Services	303-0515-515.4100	3,000.00	3,000.00	1,539.75	1,460.25
Mail & Freight	303-0515-515.4200	2,000.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
Utility Services	303-0515-515.4300	7,340.00	3,670.00	1,188.20	2,481.80
Insurance	303-0515-515.4500	40,000.00	40,000.00	36,445.00	3,555.00
Bldg. Repair & Maintenance	303-0515-515.4611	10,000.00	10,000.00	2,808.46	7,191.54
Printing & Binding	303-0515-515.4700	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
Promotional Activities	303-0515-515.4800	2,500.00	2,500.00	0.00	2,500.00
Legal Ads	303-0515-515.4900	1,000.00	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00
Office Supplies	303-0515-515.5100	3,000.00	3,000.00	0.00	3,000.00
Operating Supplies	303-0515-515.5210	1,000.00	1,000.00	40.00	960.00
Books, Publications, Subscriptions	303-0515-515.5400	7,000.00	1,000.00	945.49	54.51
Contingency	303-0515-515-5800	322,200.00	0.00	0.00	00.00
Msc. Expenses	303-0515-515.5900	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	00:0
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES		693,540.00	145,920.00	143,428.35	45,456.63
CAPITAL OUTLAYS					
BOD Project / Loan Reserves / Acquisitions	303-0515-515.6202	259,798.00			
Mainstreet Program	303-0515-515.6400				
Programming & Grants					
PEC					
Other					
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAYS		259,798.00	00.00	0.00	0.00
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TOTALS		1,130,857.00	274,096.00	1,322,399.65	718,515.50



# HISTORIC TOWN OF EATONVILLE, FLORIDA REGULAR CRA MEETING

#### **JUNE 15, 2023 AT 6:30 PM**

#### **Cover Sheet**

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**ITEM TITLE:** Discussion of Bylaws of the Town of Eatonville Community

Redevelopment Agency

#### **COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT ACTION:**

CRA DECISION		Department: ADMINISTRATION
CONSENT AGENDA		Exhibits:
NEW BUSINESS		Bylaws For Review
ADMINISTRATIVE		
CRA DISCUSSION	YES	

**REQUEST:** Discussion of Bylaws of The Town Of Eatonville Community Redevelopment Agency

<u>SUMMARY</u>: The Bylaws of The Town of Eatonville Community Redevelopment Agency (A Community Redevelopment Agency Created Pursuant to Chapter 163, Part III, Florida Statutes) addresses the administration and management of the Agency. These Bylaws and ordinances of the Town of Eatonville, a Florida municipal corporation outlines the duties and responsibilities of the Community Redevelopment Agency and are set forth in Chapter 163, Part III, Florida Statutes, If a conflict arises between any provision of Chapter 163, Part III, Florida Statutes, these Bylaws, and the ordinances, then the statute shall prevail.

The purpose of the TOECRA is to formulate a workable program for utilizing appropriate private and public resources to eliminate and prevent the development or spread of slum and blighted areas within designated areas of the Town, consistent with the Town of Eatonville Community Redevelopment Plan adopted by the Town in Resolution No. 1997-23, adopted by the Town on December 16, 1997, as such plan may from time to time be amended.

**RECOMMENDATION**: Staff request for the TOECRA Board to Discuss the Town of Eatonville Community Redevelopment Agency Bylaws.

FISCAL & EFFICIENCY DATA: N/A

## BYLAWS OF THE TOWN OF EATONVILLE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

(A Community Redevelopment Agency Created Pursuant to Chapter 163, Part III, Florida Statutes)

These Bylaws of the Town of Eatonville Community Redevelopment Agency address the administration and management of the Agency. Duties and responsibilities of the Community Redevelopment Agency are set forth in Chapter 163, Part III, Florida Statutes, these Bylaws and ordinances of the Town of Town of Eatonville, a Florida municipal corporation. If a conflict arises between any provision of Chapter 163, Part III, Florida Statutes, these Bylaws, and the ordinances, then the statute shall prevail.

#### **ARTICLE 1: DEFINITIONS**

Unless otherwise noted in the Bylaws, the terms used herein have the same meaning as defined in Section 163.340, Florida Statutes.

#### **ARTICLE 2: GENERAL**

- 2.1 <u>Establishment and Name</u>. Pursuant to Chapter 163, Part III, Florida Statutes, the Town Council of the Town of Eatonville, Florida, as the governing body (the "Town") established a community redevelopment agency known as the Town of Eatonville Community Redevelopment Agency (the "TOECRA"), as a legal entity, separate, distinct, and independent from the Town.
- 2.2 <u>Purpose and Objectives</u>. The purpose of the TOECRA is to formulate a workable program for utilizing appropriate private and public resources to eliminate and prevent the development or spread of slum and blighted areas within designated areas of the Town, consistent with the Town of Eatonville Community Redevelopment Plan adopted by the Town in Resolution No. 1997-23, adopted by the Town on December 16, 1997, as such Plan may from time to time be amended.
- 2.3 Members and Terms. In accordance with Section 163.357(1)(a) and (c), Florida Statutes, and Town of Eatonville Resolution No. 1997-23, the TOECRA shall be governed by a board (the "Board") consisting of the five (5) members of the Town of Eatonville Town Council plus two (2) appointed members. One of the appointed members shall be nominated for appointment by Orange County and one appointed by the Town Council. Those TOECRA Board members who are also members of the Town Council shall have terms that run concurrent with their Town Council terms. The term of office of the appointed members shall be for four (4) years, except that the first person appointed shall initially serve a term of two years. Each Board member shall hold office until his or her successor has been appointed.
- 2.4 <u>Compensation</u>. Board members shall serve without compensation from the TOECRA but shall be entitled to reimbursement for their actual and necessary expenses incurred in the discharge of their duties for the TOECRA. Requests for reimbursement shall be subject to the requirements as applicable to members of the Town of Eatonville Council under the policies of the Town.
- 2.5 Operation. In accordance with Chapter 163, Part III, Florida Statutes, the TOECRA shall have all the powers and authority necessary or convenient to carry out and effectuate the purposes and

provisions of the referenced statute. Unless expressly provided otherwise by law or lawful actions of the TOECRA Board, the Town of Eatonville policies and procedures shall govern the actions of the TOECRA.

- 2.6 <u>TOECRA Documents</u>. The official set of TOECRA books and financial records shall be maintained in the Town of Eatonville Financial Services Department. The official records, documents, and minutes of the TOECRA shall be maintained in the Town of Eatonville Clerk Office. All TOECRA books, records, documents, and minutes shall be opened for public inspection as provided by law.
- 2.7 <u>Principal Office</u>. The TOECRA's principal office shall be at any place within the Town of Eatonville as the TOECRA Board designates.

#### **ARTICLE 3: OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES**

- 3.1 Officers. The officers of the TOECRA shall be a Chair and a Vice-Chair. Appointments shall be for one calendar year. Appointments will usually be considered by Town Council at the last meeting (regular or special) of the calendar year. If new appointments are not timely made, the incumbent(s) shall continue to serve until the new appointments are made by Town Council. Any officer may be appointed for consecutive terms.
- 3.2 <u>Chair</u>. The Chair shall preside at all meetings of the TOECRA and shall execute instruments in the name of the TOECRA as may be required, appoint such committees from time to time as may be deemed appropriate, and exercise such other powers as may be designated by these Bylaws or by Chapter 163, Part III, Florida Statutes.
- 3.3 <u>Vice-Chair</u>. The Vice-Chair shall, in the absence, disqualification, resignation, death or disability of the Chair, or at the Chair's direction, exercise the functions of the Chair.
- 3.4 <u>Executive Director</u>. The TOECRA shall appoint and employ an Executive Director to function as the chief administrative officer of the TOECRA, responsible for administering its business and day-to-day operations. In addition to the duties set forth below, the Executive Director shall perform such other duties and responsibilities as may be designated by the TOECRA.
  - 3.4.1 Responsibility. The Executive Director shall be responsible for carrying out the policies established by the TOECRA and shall have general supervision over, and be responsible for, the performance of the day-to-day operations of the TOECRA. The Executive Director may, with the approval of the TOECRA, hire and set compensation for necessary employees of the TOECRA except as otherwise provided for herein. The Executive Director shall be responsible for preparing an annual budget for the TOECRA's approval and shall be otherwise responsible for the TOECRA's fiscal operations. The Executive Director along with the TOECREA Board shall designate a meeting time to discuss and adopt an annual budget prior to the end of the fiscal year pursuant to Chapter 218, Florida Statutes

- 3.4.2 <u>Purchase Orders</u>. The Executive Director shall be authorized to sign work orders and purchase orders on behalf of the TOECRA for purchases under \$500. For any work orders and/or purchase order over \$500, the Executive Director shall obtain TOECRA Approval
- 3.5 <u>TOECRA Secretary</u>. The Town of Eatonville Town Clerk, or designee, shall serve as the Secretary of the TOECRA and as such shall prepare TOECRA agendas, be the custodian of all books and records of the TOECRA, keep the minutes and a recording of all votes of all TOECRA meetings, send out all notices of meetings, poll Board Members for meeting availability, and shall perform such other duties as may be designated by the TOECRA. The Town Clerk may delegate such duties to one or more individuals as a designee of the TOECRA supervised by the Town Clerk.
- 3.6 <u>TOECRA Treasurer</u>. The Town of Eatonville Director of the Finance Department, or designee, shall serve as the Treasurer of the TOECRA to keep the financial records of the TOECRA and administer the TOECRA's budget; shall keep full and accurate accounts of receipts and disbursements of the TOECRA; shall have custody of all funds of the TOECRA and shall render such periodic budget reports as requested by the TOECRA; shall assist the TOECRA in the preparation of a proposed annual budget; and shall make and file all financial reports and statements necessary to be made and filed by and on behalf of the TOECRA.
- 3.7 General Counsel and Special Counsel.
  - 3.7.1 <u>General Counsel</u>. The TOECRA shall appoint and employ legal counsel to serve as General Counsel of the TOECRA. The General Counsel shall be licensed in the practice of law in the State of Florida. The General Counsel of the TOECRA, or designee who shall also be licensed to practice law in the State of Florida, shall attend all meetings of the TOECRA and shall be responsible for the oversight of TOECRA legal affairs.
  - 3.7.2 <u>Special Counsel</u>. The TOECRA may appoint additional legal counsel as deemed necessary to serve as Special Counsel for the TOECRA. The Special Counsel shall be licensed in the practice of law in the State of Florida.
- 3.8 Employees, Agents, and Consultants. In accordance with Town of Town of Eatonville policies, the Executive Director of the TOECRA, with the approval of the TOECRA, may hire, retain, and engage such employees, agents, consultants, experts, attorneys, and specialists, as deemed necessary. Unless otherwise noted, TOECRA employees will be considered to be Town of Eatonville employees. The TOECRA shall have authority to enter into Interlocal Agreements with the Town for any reason deemed necessary by the TOECRA Board for the efficient conduct of the Agency.

#### **ARTICLE 4: MEETINGS**

4.1 <u>Regular Meetings</u>. The TOECRA shall hold regular meetings on a day, time and place designated by the TOECRA Board. All TOECRA meetings are public meetings that shall be held in accordance with the requirements of section 286.011, Florida Statutes.

- 4 4.2 <u>Special Meetings</u>. The Chair, any two (2) Board members, or the Executive Director of the TOECRA may call for a special meeting at a reasonable time and place by requesting the Town Clerk to arrange for and give notice of such special meeting.
- 4.3 <u>Emergency Meetings</u>. Emergency meetings of the TOECRA may be called with 24-hour notice or as soon as practicable by the Chair or the Executive Director through the Town Clerk via personal or telephonic notice to Board members, specifying the time and place of the emergency meeting and the business to be transacted. No other business shall be considered at such meeting. Prior public notice shall not be required but shall be provided as soon as possible as feasible.
- 4.4 Notice of Meetings. The Town Clerk will mail or deliver written notice of each regular meeting to Board members at least seven (7) days prior to such meeting. Written notice may be in the form of email or calendar invitation. Written notice of any special meeting shall be mailed or delivered at least two (2) days prior to such meeting unless notice of the meeting is waived in writing by all Board members before, at or after the meeting. Unless otherwise stated in these Bylaws, "days" means "working days." The notice of any special meeting shall set forth the purpose of the special meeting and no other business shall be conducted at that meeting unless a waiver of notice is obtained from all Board members. Notice of all special and regular meetings shall be provided to the public, appropriate Town and County officials, and the news media. Notice of emergency meetings shall be provided to the public, appropriate Town, and County officials, as is reasonable under the circumstances. Notice of all meetings shall be posted at Eatonville Town Hall.
- 4.5 <u>Place of Meetings</u>. Unless otherwise noted in the meeting announcement notice, all TOECRA Board meetings (Regular, Special, or Emergency) shall be held in the Town of Eatonville Town Council Chambers, located at 307 West Kennedy Boulevard, Eatonville, FL 32751.
- 4.6 Quorum and Voting. Four (4) TOECRA Board members present and eligible to vote on TOECRA matters, shall constitute a quorum for the purpose of conducting business. When a quorum is present, the TOECRA may act by a vote of a majority of the Board members present, unless otherwise provided by law or these Bylaws. If any meeting cannot be conducted because a quorum is not present, the Board members who are present may adjourn the meeting to a time certain and notice of such adjourned meeting shall be given to each Board member.
- 4.7 <u>Voting Rights</u>. Each Board member shall be entitled to one vote. Proxy votes and absentee ballots shall not be allowed.
- 4.8 <u>Recessed and Continued Meetings</u>. Where a meeting has been set and noticed under the provisions of these Bylaws and, during the course of said meeting, it is recessed to a future time, the recessed meeting shall not be later than the next regular meeting, and any such recessed meeting shall not be held at any hour or time other than as specified.
- 4.9 <u>Rules of Order</u>. All meetings shall be conducted in accordance with the procedures approved and utilized by the Town Council of the Town of Eatonville, provided, however, in the absence of any applicable procedure of the Town Council, the most recent Edition of Robert's Rules of Order, Revised, shall apply.

- 4.10 <u>Public Participation</u>. All meetings shall be open to the public and all records shall be public records. Citizens will be afforded the opportunity to voice their comments and concerns to the TOECRA Board in accordance with law and within the constraints of time and relevance as determined by the Chair.
- 4.11 <u>Agendas</u>. The TOECRA Board will normally follow its printed or typed agenda for the order of business at each meeting. The Executive Director, Town Clerk or other appointed staff shall provide TOECRA Board Members with the TOECRA Agenda and packet materials for each Regular Meeting, one (1) week prior to the scheduled meeting. The Chair, if there is no objection from TOECRA Board members, may alter, including temporarily passing, the order of business on the agenda. If an objection is made by a member, a motion duly made and passed is required to rearrange the order of business noted on the agenda.
- 4.12 <u>Conflict of Interest</u>. The members will be governed by the applicable requirements of Section 112.3143, Florida Statutes, as may be amended from time to time.

#### **ARTICLE 5: CONTRACTS**

- 5.1 <u>Execution of Instruments</u>. Contractual instruments of the TOECRA shall be executed by the Chair and attested to by the Secretary. In the absence of the Chair, the Vice Chair may execute such instruments.
- 5.2 <u>Real Property Acquisition and Disposition</u>. The acquisition, conveyance, and leasing of real property by the TOECRA shall be done in accordance with the same policies and procedures applicable to the acquisition, conveyance, and leasing of real property by the Town of Eatonville.
- 5.3 <u>Purchasing Procedures</u>. Except as may be required by law or when required by the Board of the TOECRA, the purchasing policies and procedures of the TOECRA shall be the same as the purchasing policies and procedures applicable to the Town of Eatonville with all limits and authorities. All references and authorities in the purchasing policies and procedures applicable to the Town Chief Administrative Officer shall be applicable to the TOECRA Executive Director for the purposes of the foregoing.

#### **ARTICLE 6: FISCAL MATTERS**

- 6.1 <u>Fiscal Year</u>. The fiscal year of the TOECRA shall begin on October 1 and end on September 30 of each year.
- 6.2 <u>Budget</u>. The Executive Director shall prepare an annual budget and work program for the TOECRA Board's approval for each fiscal year, and such other budgets as the TOECRA Board may determine. The TOECRA shall be completed in time for inclusion within the Town of Eatonville's budget and the TOECRA shall adopt the budget by Resolution and recommend acceptance to the Town of Eatonville.
- 6.3 <u>Accounting Practices</u>. The TOECRA shall comply with applicable Florida law and all regulations of the State Department of Banking and Finance regarding uniform accounting practices and procedures for units of local government.

- 6.4 <u>Annual Audit</u>. The Executive Director shall arrange for an independent financial audit of the Redevelopment Trust Fund(s), as established in accordance with the provisions of Section 163.387, Florida Statutes, each fiscal year, and a report of such audit(s) by an independent certified public accountant in accordance with the provisions of Section 163.387(8), Florida Statutes. The TOECRA shall provide a copy of such report(s) to each taxing authority contributing to the Redevelopment Trust Fund, the Florida Auditor General and the Florida Department of Financial Services via registered mail. The annual audit will be performed by the same independent auditor used by the Town for its annual audit or the TOECRA Board may elect to contract with a different independent auditor(s). The audit may be accomplished in conjunction with the Town's annual audit by the same certified public accountant, with the audit report submitted to the appropriate State Agencies as a single report, provided the TOECRA's component is presented as a separate (fund(s) in the report.
- 6.5 <u>Annual Report</u>. The TOECRA shall file with the Town of Eatonville, on or before March 31 of each year, a report of its activities for the preceding fiscal year in accordance with the provisions of Section 163.356(3)(c), Florida Statutes. At the time of filing this report, the TOECRA shall publish in a newspaper of general circulation in the Town a notice to the effect that such report has been filed with the Town and that the report is available for inspection during business hours in the office of the Town Clerk and/or in the TOECRA's principal office.
- 6.6 <u>Bonding of Officers and Employees</u>. The TOECRA may require that any or all Board members and employees be required to post bond for faithful performance of duty. The TOECRA will pay bonding costs for all such bonds it requires. To the extent that the Town requires a bond for its elected officials or employees, the TOECRA shall also require a bond for its members and any employees.
- 6.7 <u>Maintenance and Disbursement of Funds</u>. All expenditures of the TOECRA shall be in accordance with adopted procedures of the TOECRA and Town, adhering to all applicable laws, the TOECRA adopted budget, fund requirements and the TOECRA Plan for purposes permitted by Chapter 163, Part III, Florida Statutes. Funds shall be distributed only at the direction or with the approval of the TOECRA pursuant to an adopted budget and with appropriate requisitions or purchase orders signed by the Executive Director.
- 6.8 Disposal of TOECRA Real Property. The sale, lease, disposal, and transfer of TOECRA property, or any interest therein, shall be consistent with section 163.380, Florida Statutes, and approved by Town of Eatonville's Council. The TOECRA Board shall seek to obtain market value for the sale or lease of any TOECRA-owned property, or clearly state of the record the reason(s) the transaction is below market value.
- 6.9 <u>Supervision of Accounts</u>. The Executive Director and the Treasurer, subject to the direction of the TOECRA, shall have control of and be responsible for the internal supervision and control of the accounts of the TOECRA.

#### **ARTICLE 7: COMMITTEES**

7.1 <u>Power to Create</u>. The TOECRA Board may create committees or advisory boards, from time to time, as shall be necessary to carry out the functions, purposes, and objectives of the TOECRA, in addition to such committees as may be appointed by the Chair as provided in Section 3.2 herein.

#### **ARTICLE 8: AMENDMENTS**

8.1 <u>Amendments</u>. The Bylaws of the TOECRA may be amended at any regular or special meeting by a majority vote of the Board members. No such amendment shall be adopted unless at least two (2) days' written notice thereof has been previously given to the Board members. Amendments to these Bylaws shall require the affirmative vote of at least a majority of the TOECRA Board.

#### ARTICLE 9: INDEMNIFICATION AND INSURANCE

- 9.1 Indemnification of the TOECRA, its Officers, Members and Employees. Any of the TOECRA, its officers, Board members or other employees may be indemnified or reimbursed by the TOECRA for reasonable expenses (including, but not limited to, attorneys' fees, judgments and payments in settlement) actually incurred in connection with any action, suit or proceeding, civil or criminal, actual or threatened, to which such person shall be made a party by reason of such person being or having been, or by reason of any actual or alleged acts performed or omitted to be performed in connection with such person being or having been a TOECRA member, officer or employee of the TOECRA; provided, however, that no person shall be so indemnified or reimbursed in relation to any matter in such action, suit or proceeding as to which such person shall finally be adjudged to have been guilty of or liable for gross negligence or willful misconduct or criminal acts in the performance of such persons duties to the TOECRA; and provided further, that no person shall be so indemnified or reimbursed in relation to any matters in such action, suit or proceeding which has been made the subject of a compromise settlement except with the approval of a court of competent jurisdiction, or the TOECRA Board acting by vote of members not parties to the same or substantially the same action, suit or proceeding, constituting a majority of the remaining Board members. The foregoing right of indemnification or reimbursement shall not be exclusive of other rights to which such person, their heirs, executors, or administrators may be entitled as a matter of law.
- 9.2 <u>Insurance</u>. The TOECRA may self-insurance or purchase insurance for the purpose of indemnifying its Board members, officers, and employees to the extent that such indemnification is allowed in Section 9.1 herein. The TOECRA may purchase other insurance, including liability and hazard insurance, as it deems necessary and appropriate.

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