



West Melbourne-Brevard County Joint  
Community Redevelopment Agency

**Minutes**

March 1, 2022

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Rose called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND MOMENT OF SILENT MEDITATION**

Chair Rose led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of silence.

**3. ROLL CALL**

Attending: Chair Hal Rose, Vice Chair John Dittmore, and Board Members Daniel Batcheldor, Pat Bentley, Daniel McDow, Stephen Phrampus, and Andrea Young.

Absent: Board Member Kristine Zonka.

The Board asked that Board Member Zonka be contacted prior to the meeting to determine if she can attend. There were concerns that the interest is no longer there.

*Board Member Young moved to excuse Board Member Zonka. Board Member McDow seconded the motion. Council passed the motion which passed 4-3 in a roll call vote with Vice Chairman Dittmore, and Board Members Batcheldor and Phrampus opposed.*

Also present: City Manager Scott Morgan, City Attorney Morris Richardson, Assistant City Manager Tom Bradford, Assistant City Manager Tim Rhode, Finance Director Margi Starkey, Human Resources Director Kimberly Gale, Planning Director Christy Fischer, Systems Administrator Christian Arsenault, and City Clerk Cynthia Hanscom.

**Approval of Minutes.** *Board Member Young moved to approve the minutes of December 14, 2021. Chair Rose seconded the motion, which passed 7-0.*

**FY 2020-2021 Community Redevelopment Agency Annual Report.** Planning Director Fischer presented the annual report for fiscal year 2020-2021, which also covers finances and lists the accomplishments. She provided a background on the Community Redevelopment Agency and the agreements with Brevard County.

Chair Rose asked there was a plan to purchase property along West New Haven Avenue for stormwater. City Manager Morgan stated they had not approached property owners for either West New Haven Avenue or Ellis Road properties. Chair Rose believed it should be a priority for West New Haven Avenue.

Chair Rose asked why the CRA should not pay back the loan to the City. City Manager Morgan stated that it would take an action by both the City and Brevard County. He would not recommend it because he did not believe there would be a significance difference in the funds that could be available to the City in the general fund account.

Board Member Bentley asked if the funds could be used to improve the area around the hotels off of I-95. City Manager Morgan stated that the funds were currently designated for stormwater; it would require that a developer reach out to the City. Planning Director Fischer stated that there were originally 55 strategies in the master plan that could be reviewed for consideration. City Manager Morgan noted that it would be subject to negotiation with the County to change how the funds are going to be spent.

Chair Rose asked about the County funds designated for City roads. City Manager Morgan noted that the County's funding would be around \$500,000. He noted that the City could suggest how that money should be spent but ultimately it was up to the County. Chair Rose suggested that it could be spent on the Hollywood/Henry intersection. City Manager Morgan noted that it could be used on Hollywood Boulevard, but any improvements to Henry Avenue would be paid by the City.

Board Member Young asked if funds could be used for transportation purposes, such as the City's fair share of the Ellis Road widening. City Manager Morgan stated that the City had not funded the project but had budgeted engineering dollars to assist with the relocation of utilities. He predicted that money would be set aside in the City's 2022-2023 budget for utility relocation. Funds from the Community Redevelopment Agency would not be eligible but the County could be approached to allow for this expenditure.

#### **4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no comments from members of the public.

#### **5. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:23 p.m. The next meeting of the Community Redevelopment Agency is scheduled for Tuesday, May 17, 2022.