

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
BOCA RATON COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
MONDAY, MAY 10, 2004
3:30 P.M.

The regular meeting of the Boca Raton Community Redevelopment Agency was called to order by Chairman Susan Whelchel at approximately 3:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

ROLL CALL:

Chairman Susan Whelchel
Vice Chairman Susan Haynie
Commissioner Steven L. Abrams
Commissioner Dave Freudenberg
Commissioner Bill Hager

Also attending the meeting were:

City Manager Leif J. Ahnell
City Attorney Diana Grub Frieser
Executive Director Jorge Camejo

AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

There were no amendments to the agenda.

MINUTES:

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 22, 2004

Motion was made by Commissioner Hager, seconded by Commissioner Haynie, to approve the minutes, as presented. Motion carried unanimously; Chairman Whelchel, Vice Chairman Haynie, Commissioners Abrams, Freudenberg and Hager voting yes.

REGULAR BUSINESS - PART I - QUASI-JUDICIAL & RELATED PUBLIC HEARINGS:

There were no items for consideration.

PUBLIC REQUESTS:

No one came forward to speak.

REGULAR BUSINESS - PART II - RESOLUTIONS:

1. Resolution No. 2004-05-CRA

A resolution of the Boca Raton Community Redevelopment Agency canceling the first regular meeting in July 2004; providing for severability; providing for repealer; providing an effective date

Executive Director Jorge Camejo gave a brief presentation and explained that this resolution would bring the CRA's calendar into line with the City Council's modified meeting calendar. Staff recommended approval of same, as presented.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hager, seconded by Commissioner Haynie, to approve Resolution No. 2004-05-CRA. Motion carried unanimously on a voice vote; Chairman Whelchel, Vice Chairman Haynie, Commissioners Abrams, Freudenberg and Hager voting yes.

QUASI-JUDICIAL PUBLIC HEARING – APPEAL OF BOARD DECISION:

There were no items for consideration.

OTHER BUSINESS:

There were no items for consideration.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

2. Request for Extension of Cessation of Operations
(International Museum of Cartoon Art)

Mr. Camejo referenced a letter from Michael Kotler, the attorney representing Mort and Catherine Walker, the owners of the now-defunct Cartoon Museum. In his letter, Mr. Kotler referred to the existing time-extension agreement with the City, which was set to expire June 1, 2004; consequently, he was requesting another extension to October 1, 2004. Members inquired regarding the time frame for evaluating the Request For Proposals (RFPs) that have been received. Mr. Ahnell explained that presentation of the RFP proposals is expected at the next meeting; if any of these proposals meet with the Agency's approval, awarding of a contract should probably occur prior to October 1, 2004.

Motion was made by Commissioner Abrams, seconded by Commissioner Hager, to authorize an extension of the cessation of operations for the Cartoon Museum through October 1, 2004. Motion carried unanimously on a voice vote; Chairman Whelchel, Vice Chairman Haynie, Commissioners Abrams, Freudenberg and Hager voting yes.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

The City Attorney had nothing to report at this time.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:

Commissioner Haynie referred to the DDRI Traffic Task Force and the need for this body to begin meeting again in discuss traffic concerns in the downtown. Since it had been a long time since the Committee members had met, she asked that they be contacted to determine whether they wanted to continue to serve. Mr. Camejo is to follow up.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion was made by Commissioner Hager, seconded by Commissioner Haynie, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously on a voice vote; Chairman Whelchel, Vice Chairman Haynie, Commissioners Abrams, Freudenberg and Hager voting yes.

The regular meeting of the Boca Raton Community Redevelopment Agency adjourned at approximately 3:36 p.m., Monday, May 10, 2004.

Susan Whelchel, Chairman

ATTEST:

Sharma Carannante, City Clerk