

# **AGENDA**

RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 2ND FLOOR, 600 WEST BLUE HERON BLVD, RIVIERA BEACH, FL,

REGULAR MEETING February 8, 2017 6:00 PM

#### NOTICE

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT OF 1990, PERSONS IN NEED OF A SPECIAL ACCOMMODATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROCEEDINGS SHALL CONTACT THE OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER AT 561-845-4010 NO LATER THAN 96 HOURS PRIOR TO THE PROCEEDINGS; IF HEARING IMPAIRED, TELEPHONE THE FLORIDA RELAY SERVICES 1-800-955-8771 (TDD) OR 1-800-955-8770 (VOICE) FOR ASSISTANCE.

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL** 

INVOCATION

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS** 

DISCLOSURE BY COMMISSION AND STAFF

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

CONSENT AGENDA SPEAKERS

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

ANY PERSON WHO WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK ON AN AGENDA ITEM; PLEASE FILL OUT A BLUE PUBLIC COMMENT CARD LOCATED IN THE BACK OF THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS AND GIVE IT TO THE STAFF PRIOR TO THE BEGINNING OF THE MEETING. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC SHALL BE GIVEN A TOTAL OF THREE (3) MINUTES FOR ALL ITEMS LISTED ON THE CONSENT AGENDA. MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WILL BE GIVEN THREE (3) MINUTES TO SPEAK ON EACH REGULAR AGENDA ITEM. IN NO EVENT WILL ANYONE BE ALLOWED TO SPEAK ON AN AGENDA ITEM

#### AFTER THE RESOLUTION IS READ OR ITEM CONSIDERED.

- REQUEST FOR THE APPROVAL OF MINUTES JANUARY
   11 2017 REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
- 2. MONTHLY APPROVAL OF VENDOR INVOICES

#### **END OF CONSENT**

### **REGULAR BUSINESS**

- 3. A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (THE AGENCY) AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A QUIT CLAIM DEED BY AND BETWEEN THE AGENCY AND INNER CITY YOUTH GOLFERS', INC. (ICYG") ("BUYER") FOR VARIOUS PROPERTIES SPECIFICALLY DESIGNATED IN EXHIBIT A FOR A TOTAL OF \$12,000 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A YOUTH EDUCATIONAL AND GOLF CENTER MUSEUM WITHIN 5 YEARS OF THE DATE OF THE DEED AND TO USED FOR NOT FOR PROFIT PURPOSES IN PERPETUITY: FINDING THAT THE SALES PRICE REPRESENTS FAIR VALUE: DIRECTING AND AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO TAKE SUCH ACTIONS AS SHALL BE NECESSARY AND CONSISTENT TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT AND DESIRE OF THE AGENCY: PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
- 4. A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (THE AGENCY) AUTHORIZING THE 2017 SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING BEAUTIFICATION GRANT PROGRAM FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$300,000 DOLLARS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE APPROVED BUDGET; AND APPROVING THE 2017 NEIGHBORHOOD INCENTIVES PROCEDURE, AS REVISED, ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT "A"; DIRECTING AND AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO TAKE SUCH ACTIONS AS SHALL BE NECESSARY AND CONSISTENT TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT AND DESIRE OF THE AGENCY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.
- 5. A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AUTHORIZING THE 2017 COMMERCIAL PROPERTY IMPROVEMENT GRANT INCENTIVE PROGRAM AND THE COMMERCIAL BEAUTIFICATION PROGRAM FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$350,000 DOLLARS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE APPROVED BUDGET; APPROVING THE 2017 INCENTIVE UNDERWRITING CRITERIA ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT A; DIRECTING AND AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN AND

- EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO TAKE SUCH ACTIONS AS SHALL BE NECESSARY AND CONSISTENT TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT AND DESIRE OF THE AGENCY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE
- 6. A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (THE AGENCY) AUTHORIZING THE 2017 "ON THE JOB TRAINING INCENTIVE PROGRAM" FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000 DOLLARS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE APPROVED BUDGET; DIRECTING AND AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO TAKE SUCH ACTIONS AS SHALL BE NECESSARY AND CONSISTENT TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT AND DESIRE OF THE AGENCY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

# **ITEMS TABLED**

#### RECEIPT OF PUBLIC COMMENTS

(Non Agenda or Consent Item Speakers; Three Minute Limitation) Please be reminded that the CRA Board of Commissioners has adopted a set of "Rules of Decorum Governing Public Conduct during Official Meetings", which has been posted at the entrance of the Council Chambers. In an effort to preserve order, if any of the rules are not adhered to, the Commission Chair may have any disruptive speaker removed from the podium, from the meeting and /or the building, if necessary. Please govern yourselves accordingly.

#### REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

REPORT OF THE GENERAL COUNSEL

**DISCUSSION OF THE BOARD** 

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE AND BE ADVISED, that if any interested person desires to appeal any decision made by the Board of Commissioners with respect to any matter considered at this meeting, such interested person, at own expense, will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purpose may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based, pursuant to F.S. 286.0105.

# CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date:	2/8/2017
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**Agenda Category:** 

Subject: REQUEST FOR THE APPROVAL OF MINUTES - JANUARY 11 2017 REGULAR BOARD

MEETING

Recommendation/Motion: APPROVAL

Originating Dept OPERATIONS MANAGER AND PIO Costs

User Dept. Funding Source

Advertised No Budget Account Number

**Date** 

**Paper** 

Affected Parties Not Required

## Background/Summary:

Fiscal Years
Capital Expenditures
Operating Costs
External Revenues
Program Income (city)
In-kind Match (city)
Net Fiscal Impact
NO. Additional FTE Positions
(cumulative)

#### **III. Review Comments**

- A. Finance Department Comments:
- B. Purchasing/Intergovernmental Relations/Grants Comments:
- C. Department Director Review:

Renewal End Date Number of 12 month terms this renewal **Dollar Amount** Contractor Company Name **Contractor Contact** Contractor Address Contractor Phone Number Contractor Email Type of Contract Describe ATTACHMENTS: File Name **Description Upload Date Type** 1-11-JANUARY 11 2017 BOARD 1/31/2017 Minutes 17\_CRA\_MEETING\_MINUTES.pdf MEETING MINUTES **REVIEWERS:** Action Department Reviewer **Date** CRA Hatcher, Darlene Approved 1/31/2017 - 3:49 PM

Approved

Evans, Scott

1/31/2017 - 3:51 PM

Contract Start Date

Contract End Date

Renewal Start Date

**CRA Internal Review** 

Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency
City of Riviera Beach Council Chambers
2nd Floor, Municipal Complex
600 West Blue Heron Boulevard
Riviera Beach, Florida
Wednesday, January 11, 2017
7:47 p.m. to 10:30 p.m.

#### **APPEARANCES:**

Vice-Chair KaShamba Miller-Anderson

Commissioner Tonya Davis Johnson

Commissioner Lynne Hubbard

Commissioner Dawn Pardo

Attorney Michael Haygood

CRA Interim Executive Director Scott Evans

Operations Manager & Public Information Officer Darlene Hatcher

Mayor Thomas Masters

- 1 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Good evening. We'll start our
- 2 Riviera Beach CRA regular meeting for January 11, 6:00 p.m.
- 3 We're just finishing up from our other meeting so we'll begin at
- 4 this time.
- 5 Madam Clerk, roll call.
- 6 (Upon roll call by Operations Manager & Public Information
- 7 Officer Darlene Hatcher, the following were present: Vice-Chair
- 8 KaShamba Miller-Anderson, Commissioner Tonya Davis Johnson,
- 9 Commissioner Lynne Hubbard, Commissioner Dawn Pardo. Also
- 10 present: Mayor Thomas Masters, Attorney Michael Haygood, and
- 11 CRA Interim Executive Director Scott Evans.)
- 12 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Welcome, Mayor. We're happy
- 13 to see you here.
- 14 Ms. Hubbard -- we'll have our moment of silence and the
- 15 Pledge of Allegiance, with Ms. Hubbard leading.
- 16 (Moment of silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.)
- 17 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Do we have any additions and
- 18 deletions?
- 19 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: Yes, Madam Chair.
- 20 We have a couple of modifications to the minutes. Just a
- 21 couple of corrections. On page 57, line 24, we've corrected the
- 22 spelling of the word alright. On page 81, line 3, the word no
- 23 was removed.
- 24 And then under item 2, which is the consultant vendor
- invoices, the cover sheet which added up all of the invoices,

Page 3 there was some incorrect math, so we have a corrected one. The 2 new corrected total is \$26,824.75. 3 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Any other additions and 4 deletions? 5 Disclosure by commission and staff? 6 On -- for myself, I would like to disclose I am part owner 7 of JD Anderson Construction. For item number 3, the Weitz pay app number 25, we are no longer -- we have been gone from that 8 position probably for about a year now but because the name 10 continues to show up in the documents I am abstaining from number 3. 11 12 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: Madam Chair. 13 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes. 14 Disclosures by commission and staff? Do you have a disclosure? 15 16 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: Not a disclosure, Madam Chair. I 17 was -- I have a -- I wanted to --18 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: To pull something? COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: I do want to pull something from the 19 20 consent agenda --21 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Hold on. 22 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: -- and I wanted to ask for an 23 addition if it's not on here. I thought it was, but I don't seem to see it. Is the -- is the CRA attorney's contract on the 24 25 agenda?

Page 4 1 COMMISSIONER PARDO: Yes. Item 9. 2 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Number 9. 3 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: Okay. VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: That's it? COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: Yes. 5 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. 7 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: But the -- pull -- I'll wait for you to ask for the... 8 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Can I have a motion to 10 adopt the agenda? COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: So moved. 11 12 COMMISSIONER PARDO: Second. 13 (Vote taken.) 14 THE CLERK: Motion carries. 15 (Motion to adopt the agenda passed unanimously.) 16 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: If you have any -- any persons 17 that would like to speak on an agenda item, please fill out a 18 blue public comment card located in the back of the council 19 chambers and give it to the staff prior to the beginning of the meeting. 20 21 Members of the public shall be given a total of three 22 minutes for all items listed on the consent agenda. Members of 23 the public will be given three minutes to speak on each regular 24 agenda item. In no event will anyone be allowed to speak on an 25 agenda item after the resolution is read or item considered.

Page 5 Can we have a motion to -- I'm sorry -- do we have any consent -- a motion for the --2 3 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: Number 3 to pull. VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: You want to pull? Pull which 5 one? COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: Number 3, ma'am. 7 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. COMMISSIONER PARDO: Motion to approve consent with item 3 8 9 pulled. 10 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: Second. 11 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: And we have one public comment 12 card for item number 2. And abstaining of number 3 for me. 13 THE CLERK: Motion carries with item number 3 being pulled. 14 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: And Miller-Anderson 15 abstaining. 16 (Motion to approve Consent with item 3 pulled passes, with 17 Vice-Chair Miller-Anderson abstaining from item 3.) 18 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Ms. Larson, did you 19 want to speak on item number 2? 20 MS. LARSON: I don't know how we're going to do this 21 tonight because the book is not back there. I was going to -- I 22 made some rather cryptic notes myself that I was going to read 23 from the book. 24 UNIDENTIFIED AUDIENCE MEMBER: Here it is. 25 MS. LARSON: Can you stop that first? Gee whiz. So I can

- 1 get...
- Where is the -- I don't see the bills in here. Where is
- 3 it? The vendor bills.
- 4 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Number 2, approval of the
- 5 consultant vendor invoices.
- 6 MS. LARSON: This is not the way it was on the web so --
- 7 I'm looking here. But the -- two, two of the bills I was going
- 8 to talk to you about was the Fishing Academy. We pay for them
- 9 year-round. Yet who goes in the water in January, February,
- 10 March, actually December too? We spend \$2,500 a month for that.
- 11 On the bill this month there were 14 private -- there were
- 12 like 14 private lessons. What is a private -- why are we giving
- private boating lessons to people? And then there were 34
- 14 private lessons to people other than Riviera Beach. I thought
- 15 we had decided it was just going to be Riviera Beach people and
- 16 that's it. For the month, 14 private lessons. We don't know to
- 17 whom or what or why. And 34 out-of-city residents got private
- 18 lessons. If you want boating lessons or whatever there are
- 19 places you can go and purchase it. I don't know why we should
- 20 be paying for it. But also I'd like you to consider when this
- 21 comes up again that we not do it year-round. Because who's
- 22 going to -- like I said, who's going to go in the water -- you
- 23 got Thanksgiving, you got Christmas, it's cold.
- 24 COMMISSIONER PARDO: And it's the best fishing time.
- MS. LARSON: Okay. Yeah, but are they learning fishing? I

- 1 thought they were doing boating.
- 2 COMMISSIONER PARDO: Absolutely. They learn fishing.
- 3 MS. LARSON: Okay. Well, let's see how many kids show up.
- 4 Because like I said, this time there were 14 private and 34
- 5 private lessons. And I don't think we should be doing private
- 6 lessons whatsoever.
- Now, several years ago -- some of you may not remember
- 8 this, but the Board, the entire Board was called up to
- 9 Tallahassee or Jacksonville, wherever it was, and they were told
- 10 that the bills have to be very, very specific. On our legal
- 11 bills, I read through that and it said conversation with
- 12 so-and-so about a lien or something. It doesn't describe what
- 13 happened. So if someone were looking at these bills you should
- 14 know what that is and what the discussion was, at least the
- 15 subject matter. So I don't want us to get in trouble again for
- 16 having non-descript billing. So when you say discussion,
- 17 discussion regarding what? Or if you name the person, who is
- 18 that person? We don't know. And Tallahassee will not know
- 19 either. And I don't want Riviera Beach to get called up there
- 20 again. And we looked very foolish last time. And they said
- 21 okay our bills next time will be in order. And they're not in
- 22 order.
- 23 So let's make sure everything is described so that you can
- 24 read it as if you've never seen it before and you know what
- 25 they're talking about and what we're paying for. Thank you.

Page 8 That's all I can remember. Thank you. 2 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you. 3 That was -- item number 3 is what you pulled --4 Ms. Hubbard, you pulled 3, right? 5 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: Yes, ma'am. 6 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. You want to go ahead? 7 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: Yes. We're getting ready to have a retreat on the CRA and some of the City's business. But my 8 concern with this pay application is the fact that we allow for 10 a certain amount of change orders and direct, direct purchase 11 orders. I don't understand why -- what these are for, and the 12 balance that we owe to Weitz. How long are we going to pay them 13 without getting the information of the walk-through that we were 14 supposed to have? There was a list of things, a punch list if 15 you will. We don't know whether all of those things have been 16 replaced or not. I don't want to see us continue to write these exorbitant 17 18 checks to Weitz, and the Event Center is not up to par as it 19 should be. And all of the things that we found wrong there at 20 the Event Center -- for example, the restaurant that didn't have 21 the grease trap, the loose tiles up on the roof. The roof 22 itself is not even finished. And we cutting checks for this 23 amount of money to Weitz Construction, that concerns me. 24 So I want to know if I could get some kind of explanation

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on the things that are on the punch list at the Event Center,

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- 1 how are they all not having been done as of yet, but yet we're
- 2 paying this money?
- In addition I'd like an explanation about the food truck
- 4 slots. The electric that we need there for trucks, that's not,
- 5 that's not even there.
- 6 So what is it that we're paying for at this time?
- 7 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: So this, this is a
- 8 regular payment in the contract. There's no change orders being
- 9 proposed. It's payment on their standard contract.
- 10 Most of the work is for the signage that's being completed.
- 11 And a lot of the -- we do have some issues ongoing at the Marina
- 12 and the Event Center, but most of those are warranty issues with
- 13 the manufacturer. We've been using the Event Center since May
- of this year, so we've been using it for a while now. So we do
- 15 have some things that we're working on; but a lot of them are
- 16 warranty issues, not necessarily with Weitz.
- 17 And Weitz was only under contract to finish a portion of
- 18 the roof floor. So that's a future project for this Board to
- 19 complete.
- 20 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: We haven't been, we haven't been
- 21 using the Event Center long enough for anything to have
- 22 happened, happened to it for it to be under wear and tear. So
- 23 it's not the wear and tear issues that I am referring to.
- I'm referring to some of the things that I named that
- 25 wasn't finished.

- 1 Even if the fact that they weren't under contract to
- 2 complete the entire rooftop flooring, we found that there was a
- 3 lot of loose tiles that was there on the, on the rooftop itself.
- 4 We also found that downstairs in the restaurant section
- 5 there was not any concessions made for the gas, excuse me, the
- 6 grease traps for the restaurant.
- 7 We also found that the correct pump was not put in the
- 8 fountain so that we could have the maximum height of the water
- 9 activity or the water feature for the children. Just to name a
- 10 few of the things that was wrong.
- Also some of the handles and things at the Event Center had
- 12 started to turn because I -- the sea salt and the moisture from
- 13 the air. So that we were told was because it was the wrong type
- of fixtures that should not have been used near the water; that
- 15 persons don't use that type of fixture near the water because of
- 16 the fact that it would do just what it did, turn color already.
- 17 So, again, those things, those things we need to make sure
- 18 that are completed. I would not continue to submit an invoice
- 19 for them if those things after seven months still have not been
- 20 completed. And the reason I say seven months is because I --
- 21 I've only been here seven months.
- That's my concern, that we don't pay the invoices until we
- 23 start seeing some of these things completed. Because after a
- 24 while we will have -- we continue to meet our end of the
- 25 contract but they do not, and staff continues to present their

- 1 invoices. But -- nor do they hold them accountable to finish
- 2 the things that they should be finishing.
- 3 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: If I could address some
- 4 of them. Like for example the tiles on the floor, we have
- 5 noticed that some of them have started to crack. We accepted
- 6 and I've actually already paid for that portion of the Event
- 7 Center. But those tiles are under warranty so the manufacturer
- 8 and the person who installed it are required to repair them. So
- 9 they will be fixed.
- 10 But that is -- once Weitz turns over the building to us and
- 11 it's -- and done substantially complete, which they were, then
- 12 it becomes a warranty issue. So those tiles will get fixed but
- 13 they'll get fixed by the actual roofing company and the
- 14 manufacturer of the tiles, not by Weitz. And these are --
- 15 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: You said substantially.
- 16 Substantially doesn't mean totally. That leaves us some room to
- 17 get our -- to make -- to have our repairs done.
- Number one, it has nothing to do with wear and tear so I
- 19 don't see how our manufacturer even kicks in because we weren't
- 20 using -- it was, it was loose at the very first walk-through up
- 21 there. So, no, it wasn't just -- the day we had the cut the
- 22 ribbon downstairs and everybody was taken to it, it was loose
- 23 that day. And from that point we were led to believe that those
- 24 things were going to be fixed.
- 25 So the things that I'm reporting to you or telling you has

- 1 nothing to do with usage. So that -- those were things that you
- 2 would have said to the gentleman, whoever your tile guy was, he
- 3 needs to come and fix this; these handles need to be replaced.
- 4 It has nothing to do with warranty. It has to do with, one, the
- 5 wrong product was used; and, two, the tile wasn't installed
- 6 properly.
- 7 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Anyone else?
- 8 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: I would propose to bring
- 9 back a report on the, on the punch list items and what we find.
- 10 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: Along with this invoice.
- 11 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Anyone else?
- 12 THE CLERK: Commissioner Pardo.
- 13 COMMISSIONER PARDO: Yes.
- 14 THE CLERK: Commissioner Hubbard.
- 15 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: No.
- 16 THE CLERK: Commissioner Davis Johnson.
- 17 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: What are we doing here?
- 18 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Number 3.
- 19 THE CLERK: Weitz pay app 25.
- 20 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: It was pulled.
- 21 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes.
- I thought we were voting on the bringing it back with the
- 23 report.
- 24 THE CLERK: Motion passed, with Vice-Chair Miller-Anderson
- 25 dissenting and Commissioner Hubbard voting no.

Page 13 1 MR. HAYGOOD: Abstaining. 2 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Abstain. 3 THE CLERK: Abstain. VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Miller-Anderson abstained. 5 And what was the vote? Did we have enough? 6 THE CLERK: Mmhmm. Two. Commissioner Pardo and 7 Commissioner Davis Johnson, yes. 8 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: We don't have to have three? 9 MR. HAYGOOD: There's no tie. She's correct. It passed. 10 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: It did? MR. HAYGOOD: Yes. 11 12 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: So the report will be coming? 13 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: Yes, mmhmm. I'll bring 14 the report. 15 This pay application is not for those items. This is for 16 the future work that's still being completed on-site. It's 17 mostly the signage that's being installed. 18 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: Let me say this, Madam Chair. 19 Regardless of what this invoice is for, my point is to hold the 20 check until you get the work you need done. I don't care what 21 the, what this particular -- we're talking about. We're talking about the job overall. How do we get the things done that we 22 23 need to do if we keep holding our end of the bargain, cutting 24 checks for people that aren't providing us the service that 25 we're paying for? That's what I'm talking about.

- 1 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. That's the end of
- 2 consent.
- We're moving to our regular business. Item number 4.
- 4 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: Item number 4. The
- 5 Riviera Beach Community Garden has initiated a programming and
- 6 operational reset. And that started in September of this year.
- 7 And I'm very pleased at the tremendous progress that they've
- 8 made in a short time.
- 9 Annetta Jenkins is the Director of Neighborhood Services
- 10 and she's prepared an update on their recent efforts.
- 11 MS. JENKINS: Good evening, Commissioners.
- 12 Annetta Jenkins, Director of Neighborhood Services.
- And as Mr. Evans has said, we're here as promised to give
- 14 you an update on the status of the community garden and discuss
- 15 our reset.
- 16 What is happening in the garden? We began this process in
- 17 September of this year where we brought on a new garden manager,
- 18 Mr. Dennis Reichel. And he's in the audience. I'd like to
- 19 introduce him, if he could just stand up and wave for those of
- 20 you who are not familiar with Mr. Reichel. He is a neighborhood
- 21 resident. And as a matter of fact, he lives across from the
- 22 garden. And he has been a volunteer with the program, before
- 23 becoming the garden manager, from its inception.
- One of the significant aspects of this reset is that we
- 25 have expanded the hours of service where the garden is open at

- 1 least 35 hours per week and seven days a week for access by
- 2 residents.
- 3 In the three months that Mr. Reichel has been on board and
- 4 we've begun this reset, not only have we increased our hours of
- 5 operation steadily over the last three months but our volunteer
- 6 hours have picked up. For instance, in October we had 320
- 7 volunteer hours in the garden. And in December we had 417
- 8 volunteer hours. Over the last three months we've had five very
- 9 nice events in the garden. And to date we have in excess of 50
- 10 of the beds planted.
- 11 Some of the items that have been harvested already, you can
- 12 see there, delicious cucumbers, various herbs, leeks, okra,
- 13 radishes, collard greens, and kale. The produce has been shared
- 14 with residents in the area and with several of our food banks
- 15 and volunteers who are coming out, including elderly.
- Right now if you go out to the garden there are some
- 17 additional exciting vegetables and fruits and herbs that are
- 18 planted. And I've listed some of them there. You have your
- 19 normal vegetables, carrots and broccoli and cabbage; but we also
- 20 have Swiss chard and various types of berries, including
- 21 mulberries, cauliflower, Chinese red beans. We have pineapple
- 22 bushes, and tangelo, lemon, and lime trees, and we're growing
- 23 avocado and mango in the garden.
- Just to give you some idea of the life cycle out there:
- 25 You have to go through raised bed preparation. And at any point

- 1 in time not all of the beds are under cultivation. The beds are
- 2 being prepared for the next crop. Seedlings are growing.
- 3 You'll go out and see little seedlings in certain areas. There
- 4 is constant watering and fertilizing, and of course the
- 5 harvesting that we all like to see.
- 6 Here's a picture of the garden over the last few months.
- 7 And you can see items growing. And you can see that it is
- 8 looking fairly healthy.
- 9 The goals for the year include having our raised bed rental
- 10 program implemented. The last time that I gave you an update
- 11 about the garden, we talked about going out in the community and
- 12 doing some surveying among residents and among community groups
- 13 at different events. And the number one item that people asked
- 14 for was the opportunity to be able to rent the beds. We will
- 15 have applications out in the next week or so, so people can
- 16 start signing up. We already have a mini waiting list of people
- 17 who are interested in renting the beds. And with that an
- 18 individual resident can grow whatever they would like, as long
- 19 as they use organic gardening.
- 20 Another goal in the garden would be to donate and sell, or
- 21 sell 300 seedlings, including vegetables, herbs, flowers, and
- 22 tree seedlings.
- 23 A third goal will be to produce at least 1600 pounds of
- 24 vegetables, et cetera, for the year. And with that we know that
- 25 we can generate at least an average of 60 volunteer hours per

- 1 month to assist Mr. Reichel in the garden.
- 2 We'll conduct 36 hours of off-site outreach to community
- 3 organizations; and we'll develop a gardening program at the Max
- 4 M. Fisher Boys and Girls Club where, you know, we have several
- 5 hundred of our local children attending that club.
- 6 We'll also implement the Riviera Beach Kids Grow Program,
- 7 where we'll deliver at least 100 hours of hands-on gardening
- 8 training for students in elementary and middle school. And
- 9 we'll continue to host and produce our monthly police and
- 10 firefighter children's book readings in the garden. And that's
- 11 a fun thing to see, to see the officers out there with the kids
- 12 reading and the kids playing and just being very excited to
- 13 interact with our safety force.
- We will also host our semi-monthly art and cultural
- 15 evenings for adults. And you'll hear more about that later
- 16 through social media. Where one of the offerings will be to
- 17 come out and paint and enjoy a little wine and cheese as an
- 18 adult, and just have a nice evening among the vegetables.
- 19 And we will host at least four Evening in the Garden
- 20 events. And we had the first of these in December for our
- 21 Evening in the Garden volunteer recognition, where we had in
- 22 excess of 125 adults and children out during the holidays.
- 23 Just to give a little bit more detail about our established
- 24 garden programs. Again reiterating the fact that the garden is
- open seven days a week and we have morning and evening hours.

- 1 We'll have our raised bed rental program; our Evenings in the
- 2 Garden, including one on February 2nd, that we're looking
- 3 forward to; our Adopt-a-Plot Program, which was very successful
- 4 last year to assist us in raising some dollars to help buy seeds
- 5 and fertilizer.
- 6 We'll be introducing the ANA Arts Program, which we'll have
- 7 the art and wine and cheese. And we hope to bring in music very
- 8 shortly. And you'll hear about our mural program with our kids,
- 9 where kids will be painting the back wall of the garden and
- 10 we'll offer prizes for our students.
- 11 We'll continue with those programs involving our
- 12 firefighters and the police.
- And we'll be celebrating with a huge volunteer service day
- on April 22nd to recognize Earth Day.
- We continue with our Gardening Outreach Program with
- 16 Revival Community Outreach Ministries, the Boys and Girls Club,
- 17 and Lincoln Elementary.
- And we invite the public to go out and just take a look and
- 19 see how those programs are getting up off the ground and they
- 20 are thriving.
- 21 We invite groups to come out for service days. And I've
- 22 listed several of our partners there who've already given us
- 23 service in the garden, who pledge to do more in this coming
- 24 year.
- 25 Here are some pictures from our Evening in the Garden. And

- 1 you might see some familiar faces in our photo frames, which
- 2 were a big hit in the garden. You see some kids and volunteers
- 3 out there.
- 4 And just a wrap-up. If you drove by our garden it was very
- 5 nicely decorated and the children and the residents enjoyed it.
- 6 And with that I would invite you to come and grow with us
- 7 at 1010 West 10th Street. So I'll take any questions if there
- 8 are any. And thank you.
- 9 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Do we have any questions from
- 10 the Board?
- We have one public comment for this item. Ms. Margaret
- 12 Shepherd.
- MS. SHEPHERD: Margaret Shepherd, Riviera Beach.
- 14 I'm glad for the update of the community garden. It was
- 15 something that kind of caught my attention. The senior citizens
- 16 really thought that they would have a part where they could grow
- 17 their vegetables in the ground. I think it's a, it's a senior
- 18 citizen, I think she's on 3rd Street, and her garden kind of sit
- 19 I guess to the west. And they're kind of disturbed that they
- 20 don't do it their way; coming from Georgia, Mississippi,
- 21 wherever they go, come from I mean, they feel like they was not
- 22 included in that process. To rent a bed, they just felt like it
- 23 was just something that they just didn't want to adhere to.
- Another thing, I was listening to Mrs. Herring talk about
- 25 their place up in St. Augustine, that's what she said, and she

- wanted to say how she was kind of like disappointed because the
- 2 community garden that they had, it was like a hustle and bustle
- 3 thing. And I did take my time -- I think it might have been
- 4 three weeks ago, and I just -- I guess this was the gentleman
- 5 that was walking around in the garden, and just took my time and
- 6 looked and looked. And I really thought it was going to be a
- 7 little bit more like the one in West Palm Beach and the one in
- 8 Lake Park. I think it's a little whatever. I don't know, I
- 9 can't explain it because I'm not a gardener.
- 10 But another thing that happened with Southside Coalition --
- 11 and I hear Mrs. Jenkins say they're going to update the hours.
- 12 They went there, and when they got there -- I don't know what
- 13 time they got there, but within an hour or so they said that,
- 14 you know, they had closed the park down; so the children didn't
- 15 really get a chance to enhance. So I hope that when the
- 16 children -- not just Southside Coalition -- that the park will
- 17 stay open and give people an understanding of how a garden
- 18 works. I really don't know how it works. I'm just now learning
- 19 in my garden.
- 20 And I was talking to Scott about Latoya, she taught me how
- 21 to grow spearmint. I had spearmint all over my house, out of
- 22 this one little plant. But it got cold and for some reason it
- 23 died. And I was trying to move it in the house but they died.
- 24 But I am learning, I'm out in the yard now. And I think
- 25 everybody need that experience.

- 1 And maybe you can sit down and try to find out just how --
- 2 I'm talking about senior citizens now, from the old school,
- 3 trying to adapt to I guess the younger version of organic. I
- 4 mean do they have to be forced to do organic?
- 5 I think that's just some of the questions that's being
- 6 asked. Thank you.
- 7 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you, Ms. Shepherd.
- 8 Item number 4. I'm sorry. Item number 5.
- 9 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: Excuse me. Do we not have to
- 10 have a motion to accept the report?
- 11 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: No. It was just an update.
- 12 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: At the last CRA meeting
- 13 the CRA's IT billing was discussed and the Board requested that
- 14 our IT consultant attend the next meeting and provide an
- 15 overview of our system. Additionally I was directed to review
- our past bills and our contract, which I've done.
- And we are going towards creating a more simpler invoicing
- 18 system. So at the next month, going forward, we're going to
- 19 create a new invoice which should be more clear for the Board to
- 20 review. And the direction we're going is the new invoice will
- 21 be for all work completed for all of the various agency
- 22 departments, instead of splitting up amongst our three different
- 23 locations. And it will also reflect a single flat rate monthly
- 24 bill, so that we're not continually increasing -- rather not
- 25 continually adding separate line items for the various items

- 1 that would be included under regular maintenance. So regular
- 2 maintenance would be one charge; and then anything that was
- 3 additional, like new software or a new direction, it would be
- 4 listed that way so the Board could clearly read it.
- 5 And our consultant is Mike DePastino. And he's in
- 6 attendance as requested today and he has a summary presentation
- 7 of our system and how it interconnects our three different
- 8 office locations.
- 9 COMMISSIONER PARDO: Hold on a second. Madam Chair.
- 10 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.
- 11 COMMISSIONER PARDO: Okay. And then, Scott, so I thought I
- 12 brought up at the last meeting when I asked about the billing
- 13 here, you know, I really don't care about the invoices because
- 14 you could figure it out, you know, figure out the invoices. But
- 15 I really want to know if we need to make any improvements in our
- 16 system with the software, if we need hardware improvements. So
- 17 hopefully your consultant will be able to answer that.
- 18 MR. DePASTINO: Yes. We will touch a little upon that.
- 19 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.
- 20 MR. DePASTINO: First off, I'd like to thank you for having
- 21 me here to present. My name is Mike DePastino. I'm with
- 22 Constant Computing. I'm here to discuss the Riviera Beach CRA
- 23 IT network and infrastructure, and then give you a little
- 24 insight on my business and what we provide.
- So, first of all, about Constant Computing, we offer -- we

- 1 are a managed service provider. We provide outsourced IT
- 2 solutions for small to medium businesses and organizations. We
- 3 offer local personal IT support, quality expertise in growth
- 4 experience, and we also offer a range of services such as
- 5 virtual CTO, which is chief technology officer, along with
- 6 strategic planning, consultation, server support, network
- 7 security, and even the end user support day-to-day.
- 8 The benefits of a managed service provider. First off, we
- 9 have lower costs. We provide the benefits of a full IT
- 10 department at a fraction of the cost. There's no costly
- 11 benefits to give employees. There is reduced cost of goods,
- 12 such as hardware and software, through industry knowledge and
- 13 partnerships.
- 14 We offer improved focus. Essentially we concentrate on IT
- 15 so that you don't have to. It allows the staff to be freed up
- 16 and do what they do best. With that improved focus there's no
- 17 risk of finding the right employee. What we found with
- 18 especially small, medium businesses and organizations is that
- 19 they often have trouble finding the right employee. And the
- 20 reason why is because they don't have that insight and
- 21 experience in IT, and it becomes a very difficult process to
- 22 find that right fit; and you end up with a lot of headaches that
- 23 go along with that.
- 24 Additionally, reduced management of personnel. Without
- 25 that IT staff you don't have to manage those employees and take

- 1 up your hours on that.
- We offer resources and availability. We have a network of
- 3 qualified IT professionals that we can tap into as needed, we're
- 4 available days, nights and weekends, no vacation required.
- 5 Ability to scale with your needs. If you need less service
- 6 or more service we're just simply here to help you.
- We offer a proactive approach to IT. We utilize tools to
- 8 monitor the health and performance of the servers, workstations,
- 9 network. And we often can remedy issues before they affect
- 10 business continuity. We -- those tools also give us insight to
- 11 security issues that you otherwise might not know about: If
- 12 there is a compromise on the network, someone is trying to get
- in, all sorts of different scenarios.
- 14 We follow best practices and standardizations. Since we
- work with many organizations we see a wide range of issues and
- 16 we're able to direct you in the right way and show you what
- 17 works best in the real world environment without guessing.
- 18 The CRA history. Constant Computing has provided IT
- 19 solutions to the CRA since June 2014.
- 20 IT support prior to Constant Computing. When we first came
- 21 on we sat down with the CRA and we talked about their pain
- 22 points. One of the biggest ones was they had complaints of long
- 23 wait times for service requests. Items frequently could go days
- 24 or weeks without resolution. They had limited access to the IT
- 25 staff. When they did have a request it could take quite a while

- 1 to get the person out there on site.
- 2 As we actually started working on the servers and helping
- 3 them with their issues, we found that there was no maintenance
- 4 of the servers. The servers had not been rebooted in over a
- 5 year. There was no patch management of the systems, which
- 6 increases your security risks substantially.
- 7 There was also a complaint of ineffective visits and
- 8 troubleshooting. A tech could come on site and, you know,
- 9 wheels would be spinning for some time and they just weren't
- 10 able to give the resolutions that the CRA needed in a timely
- 11 fashion. There was also a lack of proactive maintenance and
- 12 planning.
- 13 This slide right here is going to be foreign to a lot of
- 14 you. This is basically a network diagram. This one is very
- 15 simple. This is as the network was on May of 2013. That we
- 16 simply have an internet connection with some WiFi hot spots; a
- 17 unified threat management device, also known as like a firewall.
- 18 And behind that firewall we had some workstations, a couple
- 19 printers, and a server that had two virtual servers on it.
- On the next slide we show where we're at today. Obviously,
- 21 just at a quick glance there's been many changes. The CRA over
- 22 the last couple years has grown to over triple the size in terms
- 23 of IT footprint.
- 24 So what we have over on the left-hand side is the main
- 25 office. We have a security appliance protecting that office.

- 1 We've upgraded to a newer one that offers more services. And we
- 2 have the same workstations. We've actually added some
- 3 workstations and additional network printers. We have a main
- 4 server. That main server that was running two virtual servers
- 5 now has a third server for the access control system. And also
- 6 we run a virtual workstation on there. The purpose of that
- 7 virtual workstation is so that vendors that work with the CRA
- 8 can come in and work remotely and access the limited resources
- 9 that they need to do their job with the CRA.
- 10 Up top we have Clean and Safe. Clean and Safe is our --
- 11 the smallest of the three networks. There is a server that runs
- 12 two virtual servers: One for the access control system, another
- one controls the network. They are protected behind the network
- 14 security appliance. And they have a couple workstations, a
- 15 couple laptops, WiFi, printers.
- The most complex system that we have in place and the
- 17 biggest footprint is at the new Event Center. At the top here
- 18 we have our server that is running, again, another virtual
- 19 server that controls the network; as well as a second server
- 20 that is in charge of the booking software, for managing the
- 21 bookings of events at the Event Center.
- The two other items there are virtual workstations. Those
- 23 provide remote access to employees of the CRA that need access
- 24 to that booking software but are not on site to use it; so they
- 25 can be at their desk at the main office and they can remote in

- 1 and access and see what bookings are there and how that's all
- 2 being managed. Again, this is behind a secure firewall with
- 3 security services.
- We do have a DVR surveillance system that's in place that
- 5 records the area; and that is linked back to the City's IT, so
- 6 that they can go ahead and view that.
- We have only two workstations there. One is for the
- 8 reception, the other is for the event coordinator.
- 9 There is a whole audio video system that supplies all the
- 10 audio and video that's needed for the different event rooms.
- And then we have an enterprise class WiFi system in place.
- 12 This WiFi system comprises of 40 access points laid out across
- 13 the area, both inside the building and out. There are two
- 14 networks on that wireless. And all those access points are tied
- 15 together through a wired system. And the two networks are --
- one is for public access so that people in the space can go
- 17 ahead and utilize internet and, you know, get their e-mail and
- 18 stuff like that; as well as residents that are in the area of
- 19 the Event Center, they can jump on that WiFi. And then we have
- 20 a separate private network for the day-to-day CRA operations.
- 21 What we have improved upon. So in the last couple years
- 22 one big focus has been IT support and customer service. We have
- 23 quick responses and resolutions; many issues are resolved with a
- 24 phone call. We offer remote support to troubleshoot issues and
- work with end users.

- 1 For example, if someone is having an issue, they use
- 2 Outlook to read all their e-mails, and they come into work and
- 3 it just won't launch, they can't get to their e-mails. What
- 4 they would do is they would call Constant Computing and we would
- 5 see what the issue was. If we can simply talk about it and
- 6 resolve it that way, we do that. If not, we can remotely
- 7 connect to their computer, view exactly what they're viewing,
- 8 and work with them on a quick resolution and get them back to
- 9 business.
- 10 Let's see. We also have fast response time for urgent
- 11 matters, improved accessibility, days, nights and weekends,
- 12 without any -- we've extended no additional charge for those
- 13 after hours requests. We're there and have been able to meet
- 14 any demands that the CRA has had for any of the late nights or
- 15 even over the weekend.
- We have vastly improved on a proactive approach. We
- 17 monitor the network for health, performance and events. This
- 18 comes down to the servers, workstations, network security,
- 19 everything. We can sometimes, you know, see problems that are
- 20 going to occur and resolve them before they affect business
- 21 continuity. So we have regular maintenance and patch management
- of the operating systems and common applications so they're
- 23 always up-to-date on a monthly basis. That is one of the
- 24 biggest processes for keeping a network secure. We've also, as
- 25 I've said, we've improved security.

- 1 Network expansion. As we talked about the -- the network
- 2 has grown greatly with the introduction of the two new offices.
- 3 The network has gotten needingly more complex. So we've gone
- 4 ahead and implemented a mesh VPN network. So a VPN is a virtual
- 5 private network. What that means is that the three locations
- 6 can connect to each other independently. Each site connects to
- 7 the other two sites; and the servers can communicate on things
- 8 such as user logins, policy, security, things like that.
- 9 And, let's see, we have domain controllers at each site.
- 10 If at any time they're severed from the other site, users can
- 11 still log in, access their local resources, such as their
- 12 documents, any e-mail that they already had.
- We have improved mobile access to network resources. Over
- 14 the last couple years the CRA has benefited from using more
- 15 mobile devices; they use these for e-mail, documents, even tied
- in with the Ambassadors doing check lists. And we have also
- 17 provided or helped the CRA access their own computers remotely
- if needed; so that even when they're off site they can go ahead
- 19 and basically dial into work and see everything that they see on
- 20 their computer at work.
- In terms of planning, we worked with the CRA to come up
- 22 with ideal solutions for their needs. We suggest improvements
- 23 that build efficiency. We develop plans to protect the CRA's
- 24 resources and business continuity.
- Where we'd like to go. First and foremost we want to

- 1 improve the backup system. We want to implement and improve
- 2 disaster recovery solution. Constant Computing recommends a
- 3 hybrid cloud backup. All that means is that we back up locally
- 4 to a network appliance so that we can quickly restore in case we
- 5 need it. But then we also replicate that backup up into the
- 6 cloud where it's safe from disasters that can occur. So a
- 7 disaster could be a hurricane, it could be fire, flood. Flood
- 8 could even be as simple as a sprinkler head breaking and
- 9 flooding the server. So things like that do happen. It's not
- 10 thought of a lot but we need to protect against that and make
- 11 sure that we can get you up in hours or days rather than days or
- 12 weeks.
- 13 COMMISSIONER PARDO: So there's no -- I'm sorry. Madam
- 14 Chair.
- 15 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Mmhmm.
- 16 COMMISSIONER PARDO: So there's no backup server right now?
- MR. DePASTINO: There is a backup solution. But there's
- 18 room for improvement.
- 19 COMMISSIONER PARDO: So there is a backup server?
- 20 MR. DePASTINO: There's not a dedicated backup server but
- 21 we utilize backup services. We do a, what's called a file based
- 22 backup, which will back up, which will back up --
- 23 COMMISSIONER PARDO: Is that done daily?
- MR. DePASTINO: Yes, yes, that's done on the workstations
- 25 and servers; and it backs up the documents and stuff like that

- 1 to the cloud. And then also I run a separate local backup. But
- 2 what I'm talking about is improving the backup to where we can
- 3 take full images of the server and the workstations; and if
- 4 anything happens we can basically just redeploy that backup and
- 5 get everything back up and running exactly as it was.
- 6 COMMISSIONER PARDO: I understand that. I just want to
- 7 know where we are right now.
- 8 MR. DePASTINO: Yeah, we do have basic protection --
- 9 COMMISSIONER PARDO: So right now there's one server.
- 10 MR. DePASTINO: -- and we are secure, but we have room for
- 11 improvement and --
- 12 COMMISSIONER PARDO: And the server is where? At the CRA?
- 13 Is it off site?
- 14 MR. DePASTINO: The main server is at the CRA and then
- 15 there are separate servers at both the Event Center and the
- 16 Clean and Safe office.
- 17 COMMISSIONER PARDO: So we don't have anything off -- well,
- 18 off site meaning outside the city?
- MR. DePASTINO: Only in terms of the file based backup.
- 20 The file based backup goes through a company called Crash Plan,
- 21 which goes ahead and protects those files.
- 22 COMMISSIONER PARDO: Okay. Thank you.
- 23 MR. DePASTINO: So when we talk about disaster recovery the
- 24 main goal is, you know, to -- how quickly can we get back up and
- 25 running and have full services restored. So depending on the

- disaster recovery solution we implement, we may be able to
- 2 enable features such as replication or constant restore of the
- 3 servers to the Event Center. Meaning we can go ahead and take a
- 4 whole image of those servers and then transfer them over to the
- 5 Event Center where they're ready to run in case the others go
- 6 down. And that would be a dramatic improvement and give you the
- 7 best possible security there. This would allow a switch over in
- 8 case of an event. We, we talk about the Event Center when it
- 9 comes to storing backups because it is the most secure building
- 10 and it has enterprise level fiber connection.
- 11 So at the main office and at the Clean and Safe office they
- 12 use traditional cable modem. And the problem with that in an
- 13 organization like this is that they have a certain SLA or
- 14 service level agreement. So if an internet connection goes down
- in one of those offices the company such as Comcast has to start
- 16 working on it within four to eight hours.
- 17 At the Event Center we have an enterprise level system
- 18 where they are responsible for starting the minute it goes down;
- 19 and they should actually be contacting you if there's an issue.
- 20 There's a big difference there and that's why we would like to
- 21 get, you know, backups being replicated over to there.
- 22 So as I said, the hybrid cloud backup offers the best
- 23 business continuity results.
- 24 Also in addition to the improved disaster recovery solution
- 25 we would like to relocate some server services over to the Event

- 1 Center. The main concern right now is the Exchange server,
- 2 Exchange hosts all the e-mail for the CRA, and we would like to
- 3 have that where we have the best internet connection and the
- 4 best security and all that stuff.
- 5 Additional items that we'd like to improve upon or projects
- 6 down the road are upgrade server operating systems. Most of the
- 7 network is fairly current. The Clean and Safe office and the
- 8 Event Center I believe have all up-to-date operating systems.
- 9 The original office, the main CRA office, is the one that needs
- 10 the upgrades. Currently they are running older versions of
- 11 Windows Server, which are Server 2008 R2 and the first version
- 12 of 2012. We'd like to upgrade those to a more recent copy of
- 13 either Windows Server 2012 R2 or even Server 2016. As we get to
- 14 that point we can discuss which. Just because we don't always
- 15 like to jump into the brand new stuff right away. We like to
- 16 make sure that it's stable and it's not going to run into
- 17 problems; and that all your vendors such as the accounting
- 18 software and things like that go ahead and support that
- 19 operating system.
- The other item that we have for things we'd like to do is
- 21 workstation upgrades. Without getting new computers we can go
- 22 ahead and upgrade certain workstations to become much, much
- 23 faster. Where we really see people benefiting from that is when
- 24 an end user has a nice fast system they have focus. You know,
- like if your computer takes two minutes to boot up you're going

- getting coffee, you're checking your phone, you're doing other
- 2 things, you know. If the computer is very fast, people, they're
- 3 not waiting on their computers, their computers are waiting on
- 4 them, and they can do the most effective job.
- 5 So that's actually the end of my presentation. I again
- 6 thank you for having me here. I'm -- if you have any questions
- 7 for me, I'd be happy to answer.
- 8 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Any questions from the Board?
- 9 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes, Madam Chair.
- 10 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.
- 11 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: What's the current age of the
- 12 computers that we have in operation at the CRA?
- MR. DePASTINO: It does vary. We go ahead and replace
- 14 workstations as needed. I would say the oldest one is probably
- 15 like five, six years. Actually we have maybe one lingering
- 16 that's used just for temporary personnel from time to time,
- 17 that's outdated and needs to be replaced. Other than that we
- 18 have everything fairly up-to-date.
- 19 So the server is probably about four to five years old, I
- 20 would say, at the main CRA office. That would be the first to
- 21 be replaced. I would replace that. Typically we recommend
- 22 replacing servers every three to five years, but you can go
- 23 longer. You know, in terms of replacing that hardware we'd
- 24 probably be looking at that a year or two down the road.
- VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Any other questions?

Page 35 1 Thank you. 2 MR. DePASTINO: Thank you. 3 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Item number 6. 4 (Resolution read by Mr. Haygood.) 5 COMMISSIONER PARDO: So moved. VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Do we have a second? have a second? 7 8 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: I could second for discussion. VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. 9 10 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: Okay. At the CRA 11 meeting on December 14th the Board discussed a potential 12 contract amendment to the sale of the property to the Inner City 13 Youth Golfers, Incorporated. And they're proposing to close on 14 the property while they continue to raise funds to build their 15 youth golf training center and museum. And they have expressed 16 to us that their fund raising activities have been limited by 17 the fact that they have not been able to close on the property. 18 The project has received site plan approval by the City Council. And tonight, in addition to their proposal to close on the 19 20 property we've prepared a deed restriction that would mean that 21 the property can only be used for the construction of the 22 proposed youth golf center and that construction must be 23 completed in five years or the property ownership would revert 24 back to the CRA. 25 The Board discussed the item briefly at our last meeting,

- 1 and requested that it be brought back at this meeting with the
- 2 applicant invited to address the Board. The executive director
- 3 of ICYG was in attendance tonight. She unfortunately had to
- 4 leave right before this extended meeting started, for her job.
- 5 But she did -- she has provided a letter. And I believe some of
- 6 their team members are here, if you want to hear from them. Or
- 7 we can also read her letter into the record, just requesting
- 8 that they get the property sale, and outlining all of the
- 9 various good things that their nonprofit does for the community.
- 10 MR. HAYGOOD: Before you do that, we also added a
- 11 restriction that the property be used for not-for-profit
- 12 purposes in perpetuity; which typically you'll see when
- 13 properties, public properties are given to not-for-profits. So
- 14 the other thing is that you have the -- this is technical but
- 15 you have the right of reentry. In other words, if the property
- 16 is not built, the museum is not built within five years, the CRA
- 17 would have the right to go back in and take the property; but it
- 18 won't automatically happen.
- 19 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: So I have a question.
- VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.
- 21 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: So to date they've paid \$5,154
- 22 towards the purchase price. That's the twelve thousand --
- MR. HAYGOOD: Correct.
- COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: So what's been the -- what is
- 25 the issue for them not being able to purchase the property

- 1 outright? Because we've been doing monthly payments? Or
- 2 quarterly payments? How have they been paying them?
- 3 MR. HAYGOOD: I'm not sure.
- 4 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: Yes. So they have been
- 5 making annual payments. And they actually have provided a check
- 6 for the balance of the amount.
- 7 But one of the requirements of the agreement is that they
- 8 show that they have adequate funding to start construction. And
- 9 they are still in the fund raising process. So they're
- 10 requesting to modify the agreement so that they can close on the
- 11 property and then continue fund raising.
- And our response to that was that we would put a deed
- 13 restriction on it so that it could only be developed for their
- 14 proposed use, and that they would start construction within five
- 15 years or else that we could enter back in and take control of
- 16 the property.
- 17 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: But why five years?
- 18 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: We felt like -- and we
- 19 discussed and they're okay with that. And we felt like that was
- 20 enough time for them to raise the funds if they were going to
- 21 successfully develop the project.
- COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: Do we know the value of the
- 23 project?
- 24 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: The value of the
- 25 project? I think the construction is somewhere between 450 and

- 1 650 thousand. So I believe they're in the process of raising
- 2 funds. I don't have an up-to-date status.
- 3 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Do you want to hear from the
- 4 representative?
- 5 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: I'd like to ask something, Madam
- 6 Chair.
- 7 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.
- 8 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: If the problem is that they can't
- 9 raise funds because they don't have, they haven't closed on the
- 10 property, why then would it take them after they close five
- 11 years to raise the funds? That's just not -- so, see, that
- doesn't make sense as a reason. Now if they have another reason
- 13 I'd really like to hear that. But that one just doesn't make
- 14 sense.
- 15 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.
- 16 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: Madam Chair.
- 17 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.
- 18 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: And in light of the fact that
- 19 they were unable to stay, perhaps we need to just go ahead and
- 20 put this off so that they will have an opportunity to come and
- 21 share those things. Because I believe we asked for the
- 22 executive director of the program to come before us, and that
- 23 was clear for us and so -- I see a gentleman approaching the --
- MR. HARTNETT: Yeah. Hi. I'm Toby Hartnett, at Hartnett
- 25 Building Group. I'm part of the team. I might be able to help

- 1 with some of the questions you guys have.
- 2 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Are you a part of the
- 3 executive director's staff, group?
- 4 MR. HARTNETT: I am not. No, ma'am.
- 5 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Yeah, that's who we
- 6 probably want to hear from, that was the request.
- 7 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: Because it just seems to me,
- 8 five years, you know, I agree, you know, five years from the
- 9 date of taking ownership of this property, it shouldn't take us
- 10 five years to raise the monies, you know, if you're citing the
- 11 ownership as being the only issue that has precluded you from
- 12 raising the dollars.
- 13 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: And they might be
- 14 available -- or agreeable to a smaller amount of time.
- 15 COMMISSIONER PARDO: Yeah, but they're not here.
- 16 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: Right. So, Madam Chair, may I
- 17 propose a substitute motion or --
- 18 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.
- 19 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: Okay. I would like to move
- 20 that we --
- 21 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Hold on.
- 22 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: I'm sorry.
- VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Who was the maker?
- 24 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: Ms. Pardo.
- COMMISSIONER PARDO: I was. Yeah, that's fine.

Page 40 1 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: She's okay. 2 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: Okay. 3 MR. HAYGOOD: Well, you moved to table. You don't need to approve. It's a separate motion. If you're moving to table, 4 5 you don't need --6 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Is that what you wanted? MR. HAYGOOD: It's not a substitute motion. 7 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: I'm moving to postpone. 8 9 MR. HAYGOOD: Postpone. 10 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes. MR. HAYGOOD: To a date certain? 11 12 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: Next CRA meeting. 13 COMMISSIONER PARDO: Second. 14 (Vote taken.) THE CLERK: Motion carries. 15 16 (Motion passes unanimously.) 17 MS. BROWN: I had a card. 18 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: There's some folks in the 19 audience --2.0 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: I'm sorry. I am so sorry. You did have some cards in there. 21 22 I feel asleep here on myself being the chair. I was 23 looking for Mr. Davis. 24 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: Feel asleep at the wheel. 25 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: I'm sorry.

- Come on up, Ms. Mary Brabham.
- We have a few cards actually. I am sorry.
- 3 MR. HAYGOOD: I mean if she wants public comment...
- 4 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Come on up.
- 5 After Ms. Brabham we have Ms. Bessie Brown.
- 6 MS. BRABHAM: That was a wise move there. This is
- 7 ludicrous. This is totally ludicrous here. You, from 2014 --
- 8 and this is the second amendment. If he really wants to do
- 9 this, he would do this. This what we call pimping the city.
- 10 This is pimping the city; in how you can gain, in how you can
- 11 put off, how you wash each other's hands, keep it out there.
- 12 See, I'm straightforward.
- Because when you sit here and read this -- and this also
- 14 says various properties for \$12,000. You already gave him more
- 15 than, more than what he's asking for us to keep the land this
- 16 year.
- 17 Malachi knows I have nothing against him. But, you know,
- 18 when you on all of these boards, and you chairs the CDC board,
- 19 and you on this board, and you sit at this board, you got all of
- 20 those entities that should be pulling together with you to make
- 21 this happen here.
- What is the problem? That's for you all to figure out.
- 23 Because we know what the problem is. Because, just like I said,
- 24 not just -- when I use that word pimping -- and I don't throw it
- out there lightly. But when these things happens like this, you

- 1 know, you're giving him all of this land and then you're
- 2 allowing him to call the own shots and set the own parameters.
- 3 Come on, leaders, that's why we're constantly saying that this
- 4 city needs to purge. And if it's not in staff it's everybody
- 5 else. And I'm not saying that all of the staff is bad, but we
- 6 got to get it together and we have to stop this here. This is
- 7 exactly leading back to the city manager of this city, or
- 8 whoever that may be, we need to stop this.
- 9 That was my same question back there. He's already paid
- 10 the \$5,154 and then a balance. And then in here, for two years
- 11 he'll pay the 2,500 some odd to maintain it. What are you
- 12 saying here? What are you doing here? What are you doing here?
- 13 What are you doing here? You're backpedaling. I always like to
- 14 use these terms to coming through the back door as well. So
- 15 come on, leaders, we got to get it together here, we have to get
- 16 it together here. Do not give him no quit claim deed unless he
- 17 pays for it.
- 18 That's just like we own our house or anything else, you
- 19 think that I could go and say I want a \$10,000 car off the lot
- 20 there and I don't make a -- and I don't give them something, and
- 21 finish paying for that car when it's due. Come on. It's
- 22 ludicrous. And I have nothing against him.
- VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you, Ms. Brabham.
- Next we have Ms. Bessie Brown; and after Ms. Bessie Brown,
- 25 Ms. Bonnie Larson.

- 1 MS. BROWN: Bessie Brown.
- I'm so happy that you all voted to postpone this.
- 3 And the only other thing is that we need to learn how to
- 4 stop amending and amending and amending contracts, or whatever
- 5 we have with people, because, you know, it gets to the point
- 6 that it makes us look like we're stupid because we didn't do it
- 7 right the first time. We need to learn how to be better than
- 8 that. I'm serious. Because everything -- a bunch of stuff on
- 9 here, amend this and amend that. We don't know what we're doing
- 10 when we first make -- you know, agree to these contracts, these
- 11 things? This is just horrible.
- 12 I just wonder what -- I wanted to ask the question, how
- 13 much do we pay our IT person. I would appreciate if somebody
- 14 could answer that.
- But I'm not against what's going on -- no, I'm not against
- 16 anything that Mr. Knowles is trying here. But I'm not sure if
- 17 it's Mr. Knowles or Mrs. Knowles, because you said she was here.
- 18 And I really want it to be clarified. And if whatever she
- 19 brought to read in the record, I think it should be read in the
- 20 record. It is tonight. And that was the other thing that I
- 21 wanted to know about what's going on. You know, we should
- 22 handle our business like we need to handle our business.
- VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you, Ms. Brown.
- We have Ms. Bonnie Larson.
- MS. LARSON: Bonnie Larson.

- 1 Thank you for not speaking with someone other than the
- 2 executive board. We do this time and time again. One time we
- 3 had an architect here speaking for the owner. You can't speak
- 4 to anyone other than the executive director of a company, of a
- 5 property. These people who come here, they can't make
- 6 agreements with you. So that was a good move to say, no, we
- 7 want to speak with the executive director.
- Now their two years -- \$12,000, that's not much money.
- 9 Their two years was up in April of 2016. Whatever money they
- 10 paid in, it was agreed that that would go towards the price.
- 11 What kind of a deal is that? How good a deal is that? It's a
- 12 wonderful deal.
- We're tying our property up. We've already tied it up for
- 14 two years. We pay the taxes on it. Now they want another five
- 15 years or they would be okay with maybe a few less years. If
- 16 they haven't come up with \$12,000 in two years, by the time of
- 17 their two-year deadline, how the heck are they going to come up
- 18 with 450 to 460 thousand dollars in construction? It's not
- 19 gonna happen. So let's quit tying up our property. Make it
- 20 available to someone else and cut it off.
- You gave them two years. They can't come up with \$12,000,
- 22 with the money they put in going towards that \$12,000.
- 23 So let's read the letter from whomever that letter was
- 24 from. But this is ridiculous to tie our property up for all
- 25 this time. They can't come up with \$12,000. Thank you.

- 1 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.
- Scott, I'll have you go ahead and read the letter into the
- 3 record as a public comment I suppose.
- 4 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: Good evening. My name
- 5 is Esmeralda Knowles, 1032 Center Stone Lane, Riviera Beach. I
- 6 am the executive director of Inner City Youth Golfers,
- 7 Incorporated, based in this great city.
- 8 As you may know, my husband Malachi Knowles, raised in
- 9 Riviera Beach, started his golf involvement as the shag boy at
- 10 age 10, more than 65 years ago, at the Everglades Country Club,
- 11 Palm Beach, Florida.
- 12 Ultimately most of his Morgan State College undergraduate
- 13 schooling was on a golf scholarship. Life lessons received from
- 14 golf for many of his early years remains a fabric of his being.
- 15 His passion continued after retirement when he returned
- 16 back home. He founded ICYG in 2000 at JFK Middle School.
- 17 Indeed we believe the golf program was the first established as
- 18 an after school program in the county.
- 19 I was not a golfer like him but quickly began to see why he
- 20 wanted to get the kids in his old neighborhood as hooked on the
- 21 game of golf as he already was. The life's lessons such as
- 22 respect, honesty, integrity, punctuality, dress, sportsmanship,
- 23 language, and courtesy, could be instilled in them. Golf is the
- 24 only sport where players call a penalty on his or herself.
- Our signature initiative is say no to drugs; say yes to

- 1 education, culture and golf. Our concept is rather simple. If
- 2 we get a child hooked on golf, education and culture is
- 3 incorporated into the golf learning process. We have touched
- 4 hundreds of kids and their parents lives over the last 16 years.
- 5 For all those years to educate and expose our youth to the
- 6 game of golf we have had to use many conference rooms, Boys and
- 7 Girls clubs, churches, Urban League, school classrooms, golf
- 8 courses and homes. Picking up and packing our teaching tools
- 9 and golf equipment each time has not been fun.
- 10 Finally this opportunity to buy the property under
- 11 consideration for fair market value from you became possible
- 12 right across the street from the Boys and Girls Club, the
- 13 Maritime Academy, and near our new marina area.
- In addition to the learning center we plan to house the
- 15 African-American Golfers Hall of Fame, of which my husband
- 16 founded. It will be the state-of-the-art one-of-a-kind in the
- 17 U.S.A. and be a destination for years to come. The history of
- 18 our contribution to the game of golf will be shared for all to
- 19 see right here in Riviera Beach, Florida.
- 20 Typically the funding raised by ICYG has been programmatic
- 21 purposes. As we approach some lending institutions, the first
- 22 question asked is who owns the land; do you have clear title to
- 23 the land. They continue to be courteous with us with no
- 24 results.
- 25 We come before you asking that we be given title to the

- 1 land for five years so as to accomplish our mission with your
- 2 help. This is our giving back to the community. Thanks.
- If desired I would like to ask Mr. Toby Hartnett, president
- 4 Hartnett Building Group, who is one of our team members, to say
- 5 a few words; and I also have with me Mr. Claudio Silvaggi, ICYG
- 6 financial advisor.
- 7 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you. So we'll be
- 8 postponing this and then all of you that would like to speak on
- 9 that item can put in a card at that time to speak. Okay?
- 10 Item number 7.
- 11 (Resolution read by Mr. Haygood.)
- 12 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: So moved.
- 13 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Do we have a second?
- 14 COMMISSIONER PARDO: Second.
- 15 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Alright.
- 16 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: The 2017 Residential
- 17 Grant Program will be available to all homes in the CRA and the
- 18 project will provide up to \$20,000 in grant funding for property
- 19 owners to make eligible improvements to their property. These
- 20 include fence replacement, painting, landscaping, weatherization
- 21 of their houses, roof repair/replacement, driveway repair and
- 22 other minor facade improvements and exterior repairs to their
- 23 property.
- In accordance with the approved budget this grant program
- would be authorized for up to 300,000 in grant funds and is

- 1 designed to assist homeowners and incrementally improve
- 2 neighborhood property values.
- 3 The CRA proposes to combine this grant opportunity with an
- 4 extensive outreach to local contractors and subcontractors to
- 5 perform the work. We are combining our outreach with the City's
- 6 Small Business Outreach Program. And we're proposing to hold
- 7 two public meetings in February for the combined purpose of
- 8 reaching out to local contractors to get them registered at the
- 9 Purchasing Department and for our Commercial and Residential
- 10 Grant Program.
- 11 We've actually just settled on two meeting dates. One
- would be February 15th during the day, and the second meeting
- would be February 23rd in the evening, with a third date to be
- 14 determined. And at this meeting that we would invite the
- 15 contractors, the people involved in getting the grants, to come
- 16 and get more information, get signed up, and also at that time
- 17 get more involved with the City's small business program that
- 18 they're launching.
- 19 The CRA will also schedule a comprehensive outreach to our
- 20 home and property owners so that they can be notified of the
- 21 grant opportunity. And then we'll schedule a meeting on a
- 22 Saturday, as well as some week nights, to help them fill out
- 23 their applications and apply for the process.
- The program would be administered by our Neighborhood
- 25 Services, and it's building upon the first rounds of this grant.

- 1 This program was run in -- starting in 2015, and we helped nine
- 2 property owners. So for this round we'd like to expand it,
- 3 we're hoping to help between 20 and 25 home owners.
- 4 The guidelines for 2017 are proposed to be revised with
- 5 minor updates. We would require multifamily properties to
- 6 provide matching dollars for the programming, a one-to-two
- 7 match. And the benefit to home owners would that -- rather, and
- 8 benefit the home owners who have no liens, or complaints, or
- 9 code violations. This program would benefit both local property
- 10 owners and making rental improvements to our neighborhoods,
- 11 improve local property values, and provide opportunities for
- 12 local contractors.
- 13 COMMISSIONER PARDO: Madam Chair.
- 14 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.
- We have two public comment cards.
- 16 COMMISSIONER PARDO: Okay. So, Scott, who's going to run
- 17 the program?
- 18 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: So the CRA will run the
- 19 program and Annetta Jenkins will be over the implementation. We
- 20 also have assistance from Paul Skyers; he actually helped us
- 21 write the regulations and adopt them in 2015.
- 22 COMMISSIONER PARDO: Okay. So how much are we going to be
- 23 paying him?
- 24 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: He's under a continuing
- 25 services contract for under 25,000. So his assistance on this

- 1 program would be probably less than 10.
- 2 COMMISSIONER PARDO: Okay. Just on the residential? Or
- 3 the residential and the commercial?
- 4 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: He's helping us with
- 5 both programs and has a heavier involvement in the commercial
- 6 program.
- 7 COMMISSIONER PARDO: Okay. But he's under one contract?
- 8 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: Yes, for both.
- 9 COMMISSIONER PARDO: Thank you.
- 10 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: We'll go to public comments
- 11 and then come back with us. Or do you want to go first?
- 12 Ms. Bessie Brown, and then Ms. Bonnie Larson.
- MS. BROWN: Good evening. Bessie Brown.
- 14 Is this a new program, a new grant we applied for or
- 15 something?
- 16 COMMISSIONER PARDO: What's old is new again.
- 17 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: We'll come back.
- MS. BROWN: Are you going to talk about it more?
- 19 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: I'll have him answer, yeah.
- 20 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: I'll answer.
- 21 MS. BROWN: Well, I'd like to have that answered because I
- 22 don't have a clue as to what you're doing. You're saying people
- 23 are going to get \$20,000. I'm trying to find out do you already
- 24 have the money? Are you applying for grants? And is this for
- just homes, or new homes, or people that already have problems

- 1 with their homes. And is this, and is this for people only in
- 2 the CRA? That's my question.
- And you're also asking for a neighborhood incentives
- 4 procedures manual for the 2017 incentive program. How, how
- 5 could -- do you have an old incentive manual? I'd like to know
- 6 if I can get a copy of the old one and what the new incentive
- 7 changes will be for 2017. So that's what I have to ask.
- 8 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Thank you, Ms. Brown.
- 9 Ms. Larson.
- 10 MS. LARSON: I haven't read the whole backup yet, but I did
- 11 have a few questions. And that was: You're going to give up to
- 12 \$20,000 to people to improve the exterior of the homes, or
- 13 fencing, they're this, they're that. Those are things that we
- 14 as home owners are supposed to do ourselves, isn't it? Fencing
- 15 is not mandatory. You know, we paid for our own.
- So what are the requirements? Can just anybody apply for
- 17 this \$20,000 to do their home, to re-do things? Because, you
- 18 know, maybe we have some things we're going to do ourselves, and
- if the CRA is going to be giving out \$20,000, we might be
- 20 interested in that.
- 21 On page 3 of the manual it says -- I have a question
- 22 here -- halfway down there's an underlined section. Underline
- 23 normally means that's a change from a previous thing. And here
- 24 it says, except for policy statements reserved to the executive
- 25 director. Proper English. Except for policy statements

- 1 reserved to the executive director by the Board of
- 2 Commissioners, the Board of Commissioners shall approve all
- 3 policies. In other words, there are certain things the
- 4 executive director can do without asking the Board. So my
- 5 question is: What are those things? And why are there things
- 6 that they can do without asking the Board?
- 7 The other thing is when we write a manual like this, Scott,
- 8 you have on some of the pages here, it would be good at the
- 9 bottom of each page -- much more professional -- to write the
- 10 name of the manual, the name of the manual, the date, page 3 of
- 11 30 pages, something like that. And then if there are any
- 12 amendments to it there should be a spot for amendments; it would
- 13 either say none or the amendments, it would be dated. So every
- 14 page needs to be noticed what that document is.
- 15 Thank you.
- 16 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you, Ms. Larson.
- Board? Do you want him to answer some -- I think it would
- 18 be beneficial for the public to hear the answers to some of
- 19 those questions, and then we can come back if you all have any
- 20 questions.
- 21 COMMISSIONER PARDO: Yeah, I still have some.
- 22 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: This is the continuation
- of an existing program. So we did run this program in 2015.
- 24 And we're making very minor changes to the regulations. It's
- 25 funded through the CRA's TIF funds. And the funding is

- 1 available in the approved budget. And it's available to all
- 2 home owners who are in the CRA, they can make application.
- 3 The changes over last year primarily are that we are adding
- 4 some restrictions to if a multifamily property owner applies for
- 5 the grant they have to provide some matching dollars. And then
- 6 they're also -- we have -- they also are penalized if they -- or
- 7 rather they get a bonus if there's no -- a benefit to the home
- 8 owners, if they don't have any tenant complaints, if they have
- 9 the correct code violations, these are all things that we check
- 10 on the multifamily home owners to see if they would even qualify
- 11 to get the money. So those are the main changes, is that we
- 12 wanted multifamily home owners -- those -- some of those
- 13 properties are the ones that need the most work and that would
- 14 help the neighborhood. But we wanted to make sure that the
- 15 owner if -- for a single family home owner it's a pure grant
- 16 program. And for the multifamily home they would have to
- 17 contribute some money to the program.
- 18 COMMISSIONER PARDO: Madam Chair.
- 19 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.
- 20 COMMISSIONER PARDO: So, Scott, that's where I have a
- 21 problem. On page 38, when you talk about the maximum funding,
- 22 property conditions: Priority will be given to homes with
- 23 documented health, safety and/or code violations. And that's
- 24 under the unit type four unit.
- I have a problem with this. I don't -- we have so many

- 1 slumlords in this city. And they're taking the money and
- 2 they're going back to wherever they live and they're not keeping
- 3 these properties up. And I don't think we should be using these
- 4 dollars to help out the slumlords. I have a problem with that.
- 5 I have a serious problem with it.
- I think if we're going to have this program it should be
- 7 for the homesteaded residents. It shouldn't be for the
- 8 slumlords. I feel very strongly about that.
- 9 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: Madam Chair.
- 10 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead, Ms. Hubbard.
- 11 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: If we're talking about absentee
- 12 landlords that don't even live here, we definitely don't want to
- include them in the program at all, under any circumstances. We
- 14 don't want landlords that aren't local to be able to take part
- in that, in that program. I mean we can't imagine that. I'm
- 16 not sure, you know, if I want the multifamily, but I'm going to
- 17 come back to that.
- 18 The -- if we are talking about voting on this type of stuff
- 19 now, what's the purpose of this retreat in the first place?
- 20 That we're talking about spending this kind of money.
- Now the concern I have with the facade, with this grant
- 22 program, is what we had last time. Well, the last program we
- 23 had was commercial. We didn't do -- we did very little -- I
- 24 could count on one hand the number of local people that
- 25 benefited from the grant program that we, that we had before.

- 1 So I say that, okay, for the residents that need the home,
- 2 that need the improvements to their home, I'm not too against
- 3 those kinds of grant programs and that we do that. What I am
- 4 against is that if we're going to change the definition of
- 5 commercial to multifamily residential, then we have to make
- 6 certain that those persons are not absentee landlords.
- 7 So I'd like to hear from Mr. Skyers about the program. Oh,
- 8 and I also want to make a comment. The -- of course if we
- 9 can't -- of course we want to pay our professionals for the
- 10 services that, that they render, that they render. We can't
- 11 expect them to work for us for free. So of course I don't have
- 12 a problem with us paying Mr. Skyers for administrating this
- 13 program or for doing this program. My concern is with the
- 14 persons that are qualified for the program and will the dollars
- 15 we spend meet fair services for the monitor of the program and
- 16 would our residents be the ones benefitting from the program.
- 17 Not absentee landlords.
- 18 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Any other questions?
- 19 COMMISSIONER PARDO: Yes, Madam Chair.
- I have a problem with any landlord, any landlord. You
- 21 know, regardless if the landlord lives in the city. Because we
- 22 have a lot of landlords that live in the city, and they're not
- 23 living in these properties but they have people, other people
- 24 living in the properties and the properties are in total
- 25 disrepair. And I'm sure there's health and safety issues with

- 1 them. So I don't think any of these people should profit from
- 2 this program.
- If it -- yeah, if it is for the homesteaded, I have no
- 4 problem with it, let's help them. But, no, I am totally against
- 5 the landlords. Because really then it turns into it's a
- 6 commercial property.
- 7 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: Madam Chair.
- 8 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.
- 9 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: We have the opportunity to go
- 10 back and to revise the language and to revise the guidelines as
- 11 to whom would be eligible for these dollars. So let's revisit
- 12 that in light of the fact that my colleagues and I fully support
- 13 that. I believe that it should be homesteaded properties only.
- 14 It should not be absentee landowners. It shouldn't be owners
- 15 with multiple properties. We're talking about those individuals
- 16 who have been in their homes, who have paid and may have fallen
- 17 on hard times and have some issues. So those are the families
- 18 that we should be concerned about. So I would like to see us
- 19 direct staff to go back and revise the requirements and how we
- 20 plan to administer that program for the homesteaded properties
- 21 only.
- 22 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: I fully support that.
- 23 COMMISSIONER PARDO: I support that too.
- VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Yeah, look at some options on
- 25 how we can make sure that the residents that need it are able to

- 1 benefit. And that would probably help out with some of our code
- 2 issues as well on some of them maybe so...
- 3 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: Do I need to -- I know I was
- 4 the initial maker of the motion, so do I need to strike the
- 5 first motion?
- 6 MR. HAYGOOD: Table it or postpone it.
- 7 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: No, I don't want to do that.
- 8 What I want to do is I want to kill that motion and put in a new
- 9 motion to indicate that we want the staff -- I'm so sorry to use
- 10 that term -- but we want to -- I don't want to approve it on
- 11 face value. I want to go back and have some specifics written
- 12 in. So I would like to restate the motion if I may.
- 13 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: Before you restate the motion, can
- 14 we hear from Mr. Skyers?
- 15 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: Absolutely. Absolutely.
- MR. SKYERS: Paul Skyers, 2001 Broadway, Suite 210.
- 17 Addressing the issue of the slumlords. Collectively
- 18 speaking you generate more tax revenue from multifamily units
- 19 than from single family. So the thought was to encourage them
- 20 to be good landlords through this program by combining the
- 21 efforts of the Code Enforcement Department, along with possibly
- 22 incentivising them to do the right thing for bringing a quality
- 23 product to the neighborhood; which in turn then would improve
- 24 the stock or the quality of the residents who live in the
- 25 neighborhood, so that they're complimentary to the rest of the

- 1 housing stock that's in the neighborhood.
- 2 But I -- you know, by all means if the Board has no
- 3 inclination towards improving the rental stock, understanding
- 4 fully well that a lot of the residents who live here in Riviera
- 5 Beach may not have, they may not have the resources just yet to
- 6 own a home so rental units become a viable part of your
- 7 environment.
- 8 The thing to do is to get the landlords to do right, to act
- 9 right, to provide a quality product, a quality living
- 10 environment for those tenants; and to ensure that the tenants
- 11 are quality tenants who lift up the neighborhoods and not bring
- 12 them down. I don't know if we can accomplish both objectives
- 13 with goals through this program, but that was the thought behind
- 14 addressing them.
- 15 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: Madam Chair.
- 16 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes. Ms. Davis Johnson.
- 17 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: I truly understand the idea
- 18 behind this proposal for multifamily units. However, I believe
- 19 that if you are going to purchase property in this city you
- 20 should act right from the beginning and we shouldn't have to
- 21 come back and incentivize you to do the right thing.
- No one has to incentivize me to paint my house. I own it.
- 23 Right? So no one has to incentivize me to cut my grass or to
- 24 put up a fence. So I am not in favor at all of incentivising a
- 25 landlord at this particular point, or an absentee owner.

- 1 I think that our focus needs to be on those residents who
- 2 have been here, who have paid their taxes, who live in the city
- 3 and are homesteaded. And that's just the bottom line for me
- 4 with this.
- 5 MR. SKYERS: Of course. Understood.
- 6 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Anyone else?
- 7 COMMISSIONER PARDO: I feel the same way.
- 8 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.
- 9 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: Restating my motion, I would
- 10 like to direct staff to go back and to revise the eligibility
- 11 criteria, removing multifamilies and absentee landlords from it
- 12 and including the homesteaded property language.
- 13 COMMISSIONER PARDO: Second.
- 14 (Vote taken.)
- 15 THE CLERK: Motion carries.
- 16 (Motion passed with a unanimous vote.)
- 17 (Resolution read by Mr. Haygood.)
- 18 COMMISSIONER PARDO: So moved.
- 19 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: Second.
- 20 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: This program is funded
- 21 for up to \$350,000 in our approved budget. And staff is
- 22 proposing the 2017 incentive programs; that they're a part of
- 23 our economic incentive manual. And this manual was improved in
- 24 2012. And for this year we're proposing to proceed with two of
- 25 the incentive programs that are listed in the manual: That's

- 1 the Property Improvement Incentive; and this program provides up
- 2 to \$40,000 for facade improvements to commercial properties.
- 3 The project requires a one-to-four match by the property owner.
- 4 And they would be evaluated and ranked based on their submittals
- 5 on the following criteria: Their eligibility; meaning do they
- 6 have the proper licensing, have they paid their taxes. Their
- 7 quality and impact of the proposed building and the property
- 8 enhancement. And then we also award additional points for
- 9 applicants that utilize Riviera Beach based contractors,
- 10 projects that provide additional matching funds beyond the
- 11 minimum, and businesses that employ Riviera Beach residents and
- 12 pay salaries above the Palm Beach County living wage.
- The CRA will utilize our planned contractor and business
- 14 outreach efforts for February, to notify both business owners,
- 15 residents and contractors of the opportunities.
- These projects would be ranked and then they would be
- 17 brought back to this Board for approval, and according to their
- 18 rank and the amount of funding that you make available for the
- 19 program.
- The 2017 program will also include a small park, which is
- 21 the beautification program. The beautification program just
- 22 provides small grants of up to \$4,000; and these are just for
- 23 visual exterior improvements like landscaping and painting and
- 24 minor parking lot repairs, signage enhancements. And that's
- just to provide a smaller benefit to business owners. So they

- 1 can either choose the larger program or the smaller program.
- 2 And the program guidelines and procedures were originally
- 3 updated in 2012, with assistance from Paul Skyers, our economic
- 4 development consultant. He will assist us in the implementation
- 5 of this year's round of grants. And he's also here to answer
- 6 any additional questions you might have on the proposed program.
- 7 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. We have two public
- 8 comment cards: Ms. Bonnie Larson, and then Ms. Bessie Brown.
- 9 MS. LARSON: The commercial property, I understand they
- 10 could get up to \$40,000 for facade improvement. We had several
- 11 years ago, we did this same thing and it was administered by a
- 12 company called BRIC, B-R-I-C. A lot of companies came in here
- 13 and asked for -- well, we never even saw the companies who came
- in and asked. They filled out a form letter with the CRA to
- 15 sign their name to it that they wanted money.
- 16 Two of the properties were owned by Viking. We gave them
- 17 money out of the CRA. I'm a little dismayed about that. So
- 18 anyone who got money back then, I would not like to see them
- 19 apply again. We already gave them money once, whomever they
- 20 are.
- 21 And a lot of those properties that we gave money to -- we
- 22 gave them -- there's a building I have in mind, and we gave them
- 23 money, part of it was for outdoor lighting, to light up the area
- 24 so it would look better along Broadway. And it was great. It
- 25 was really good. The whole property was lit up. Now, uh-uh,

- 1 those lights aren't on anymore.
- 2 We gave property -- we gave money to another company I see
- 3 all the time. We gave them landscaping money. Their stuff has
- 4 all died. So I hate to see us give money and then everything
- 5 dies or we don't follow up with them and say, okay, now you owe
- 6 us money. We really need to be careful how we give this money
- 7 to them.
- 8 And the \$40,000 included exterior improvements. And then
- 9 the 4,000 was expressly for exterior improvements. So I'm
- 10 hoping they can't apply for the 40,000 and then for the 4,000
- 11 also.
- There was someone who applied for money for several
- 13 properties. No. You get one property. If we give it to one
- 14 commercial property -- if you own six properties, no, you only
- 15 get it on one. If you're going to be an investor you not only
- 16 have the cost of the building, the cost of the property, but you
- 17 also have to provide for upkeep of that property. If you can't
- 18 do it, you're not a real investor; and why do we have to give
- 19 you money? That doesn't make sense to me.
- 20 I'm going to kind of combine here --
- VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: We're having a little trouble
- 22 with the clock. We probably ought to allow another minute left.
- MS. LARSON: Oh, I have three minutes.
- Okay. Someone else borrowed the book, so I don't have the
- 25 book right now. So I'll combine maybe eight and nine together.

- 1 There was financial assistance but it was -- the mention was
- 2 forgivable loans. I can see someone giving a loan, it may be a
- 3 better price. But forgivable loans? And then another section
- 4 it said zero percent interest. Deferred payments, forgivable
- 5 loans, mortgage and promissory notes. And then it said it had
- 6 to be for them to pay us back, if things didn't work out right,
- 7 it had to be a voluntary sale. If somebody's going to get rid
- 8 of a property of course they're going to say I'm forced to, I
- 9 don't have any money, I need the money from the business that I
- 10 have. So that word voluntary, you can make anything an
- 11 involuntary sale. Okay. That's combining the two of them.
- 12 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Thirty more seconds.
- MS. LARSON: Thank you for saying homesteaded properties
- 14 only. I'm looking at a commercial building every single day,
- 15 what a dump; and to think that that company might be given
- 16 money, that really irks me. Because we're in neighborhoods and
- 17 communities and we try and keep up our properties the best we
- 18 can, and then we look at somebody who let's their company or
- 19 their business or their property or their home or whatever,
- 20 totally derelict. We have to live looking at that. And then
- 21 they're going to get money from the City?
- 22 So we somehow have to figure out that they are downgrading
- 23 us all the time; and then to add insult to injury, they get
- 24 money from the City.
- 25 And one of the documents I read in here said that if

- 1 someone's home was in total disrepair the City would pay, the
- 2 City would give them money for demolishing it and then helping
- 3 them rebuild. Well, that doesn't give incentive to those of us
- 4 who are trying to take care of our properties and that do take
- 5 care of our properties. Because we look at it -- it almost
- 6 seems beneficial to let your property go into total disarray
- 7 because you're going to be compensated for it, you're going to
- 8 be rewarded for keeping your property as a dump.
- 9 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you, Ms. Larson. We had
- 10 some trouble with the clock, but I think we kind of gave you a
- 11 little extra time in there on top of that. Thank you.
- 12 Ms. Bessie Brown.
- 13 Is it not working, or what?
- MS. BROWN: I'm not sure if my last question was answered
- about do we have this money or are we applying for this grant?
- 16 Okay. Okay. Because that's the same thing I was going to ask
- 17 about these \$350,000.
- 18 And the beautification for commercial, I think that it's
- 19 okay to -- companies -- just what Ms. Larson said. We need
- 20 to -- basically I would -- it would be really good to just
- 21 concentrate on the majority of the homes that are here. Because
- 22 it was my understanding last night, I was at a meeting, they
- 23 said 60 percent of our properties are rental in the city. So I
- 24 would really like for you all to concentrate on the people that
- 25 do have property. And if that was so true, and they should

- 1 probably go down and they demolish the house, they do nothing.
- 2 Because we have a lady that's dead today, the house was
- demolished, and she got no help from them. And I was actually
- 4 asking, trying to get her the help.
- 5 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you, Ms. Brown.
- 6 Do we have any comments from the Board?
- 7 COMMISSIONER PARDO: Madam Chair.
- 8 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Go ahead.
- 9 COMMISSIONER PARDO: Okay. I have two comments. The first
- 10 is, you know, just sitting here thinking about this. We have
- 11 \$350,000 that we're going to put into improving the businesses
- 12 along the Broadway corridor. And I wonder if we can come up
- 13 with some kind of plan to try to get some of the teenagers in
- 14 this community involved. \$350,000 is a lot of money. And if we
- 15 can try to incentivize the businesses to either hire these, you
- 16 know, teenagers, or maybe we can put together a group similar
- 17 to -- do you remember that -- oh, what was that --
- 18 UNIDENTIFIED AUDIENCE MEMBER: Youth Build.
- 19 COMMISSIONER PARDO: Youth Build, right. Youth Build, we
- 20 got them involved years ago in the program. You know, maybe
- 21 that's something that Mr. Skyers can look at, and Scott, before
- 22 we move forward with this.
- Then my other issue is we're going to have a retreat next
- 24 week and we're going to talk about the Broadway corridor. So I
- 25 just wonder if this is a little premature.

- But in the meantime maybe we can think about that, figure
- 2 out a way to get these kids more involved. And by -- you know,
- 3 it's the end of January now, so by the time this program is
- 4 really up and going we might be going into May when the kids are
- 5 out of school; and maybe, you know, you'll get some of the kids,
- 6 but I think we'd really like to get the kids that are hanging
- 7 out on the street right now that aren't going to school. So,
- 8 you know -- and I'm sorry that, you know, my thinking isn't more
- 9 clear. But just sitting here, I just started thinking about
- 10 this. And, you know, with all of that money maybe we could do
- 11 something.
- 12 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: I agree with what Ms. Pardo is
- 13 speaking of. And I think we mentioned it a few meetings back
- 14 about having maybe a summer job -- summer youth job program for
- our teens. And this may be a better use of our funds if we have
- 16 the flexibility to be able to make that happen, and invest in
- our children with that. But at the same time, you know, we're
- 18 talking about creating jobs and keeping them active during the
- 19 summertime.
- 20 COMMISSIONER PARDO: That's right.
- VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: So we have -- we do not have
- 22 to necessarily use this money for this particular, in this
- 23 manner in which we were trying to utilize it?
- 24 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: Madam Chair.
- VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: That's a question. We have

- 1 the flexibility to be able to do so, right --
- 2 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: Yes.
- 3 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: -- to change it?
- 4 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: Yes.
- 5 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes. Ms. Hubbard.
- 6 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: The -- one thing about the
- 7 commercial grant program I would like to see is that, one, that
- 8 we don't give it to businesses that already did receive money on
- 9 the south end of Broadway. While we are getting ready to talk
- 10 about what we're going to do on the north end of Broadway, keep
- in mind we do have some small businesses that will deserve some
- 12 incentives on that end as well. While in -- you find those guys
- that were on the south end of Broadway deserved it less than
- 14 these people that are actually in need on the north end. Like
- 15 she said, BRIC -- Viking even received grants on the north, on
- 16 the north end of -- excuse me, on the south end of Broadway.
- So we're getting ready to move into the north end of the
- 18 Broadway corridor, I would, you know, I would like to see some
- 19 of the businesses.
- 20 So the CRA moved all the way over to, what is it, 5th
- 21 Street? What did you say? We don't have very many local
- 22 business owners left. We've demolished those, with the help of
- 23 FDOT. But if we sparsely and sporadically find, you know, local
- 24 businesses that need assistance, that we can help incentivize
- and build, then we want to do that.

- I know Tony's is a commercial business that's been here and
- 2 been -- have always been, you know, paying back and giving and
- 3 giving to this community, and just hanging in here, you know,
- 4 with this community. So there are some really deserving
- 5 businesses that deserve some assistance. Not like we did the
- 6 last time. We -- you know, it was a travesty I think the way
- 7 that we gave out the commercial loans the last time. This time
- 8 we have an opportunity to go into some real, you know, to choose
- 9 some people that really need, that can ignite business ownership
- in the neighborhood, things like that.
- I think we need to reserve, reserve the right to offer
- 12 those kinds of grants and be particular and give out grants that
- 13 are, that are really needed.
- 14 A summer youth employment program, I'm all for it, 100
- 15 percent. I've also been talking with the city manager about,
- 16 you know, getting a job developer on board that can go to all of
- 17 the businesses to identify about, you know, say three to five
- 18 hundred jobs; and by the time school is out we can start putting
- 19 some kids to work, you know, within our community. And I'm sure
- 20 we will be able to put in some funds.
- One thing we have to keep in mind about that is Workforce
- 22 Alliance and the County uses the need assessment from the City
- of Riviera Beach to draw down all of that money; and we're the
- least of the benefactors of those Summer Youth dollars. So we
- 25 need to make sure that we get -- we let them know upfront, we

- 1 plan to use some of those dollars for our own youth this summer.
- 2 So I wouldn't say just scrap, just throw the baby out with
- 3 the bath water and don't do any commercial business incentives.
- 4 Just be careful and do some real business incentives, not just
- 5 giving and handing out money to people.
- Because we're going into our retreat now and we could talk
- 7 about how we can help real businesses with that.
- 8 The last thing -- or I won't say the last thing. Another
- 9 thing that I want to say is this: You know, I'm going to ask
- 10 for this, but I hate to have to ask for this. I would like to
- 11 see a table of how we pay professional services, so we know --
- 12 you know, I didn't say this, I just heard it while I was sitting
- 13 here, that less than \$10,000 that Mr. Skyers is going to be paid
- 14 for helping us with this program, and I think that's a travesty
- on its face anyway when I look at the things that people are
- 16 paid for who have less skills, skill sets. It's -- you know,
- 17 and it's amazing. And I point that only out because it was
- 18 pointed out -- I didn't say that. Mr. Evans stated that. So I
- 19 would just like to compare what he does, and his skill set, to
- 20 all of the people I see come up here who do no way less, no way
- 21 less, do way less, and get so much money from the City of
- 22 Riviera Beach and especially the CRA. So thank you for now.
- 23 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.
- Do you have a comment on item 8, Mayor Thomas?
- 25 MAYOR MASTERS: Yes, Madam Chair.

- 1 Ms. Larson alluded to something that I was thinking. I
- 2 would like to see some emphasis on lighting, outside lighting,
- 3 the grants we use for that, because it's so important, for
- 4 several reasons. And I was thinking in terms of tying this in
- 5 some type of way to some anti-crime features, the businesses
- 6 that are interested in helping us to fight crime in the area.
- 7 Lighting, cameras, or whatever else. Or even just
- 8 participating. And I think we have a Business Crime Watch
- 9 Program. I would like to see some of those things, initiatives
- 10 or, you know, maybe inspiring businesses to get involved. And
- if they do, if they want lighting, they want cameras, then this
- 12 is a good way to do it and they make a commitment. That's
- 13 basically it, what I wanted to say.
- Oh, one more thing. That it would be nice if we could
- 15 figure out on the City's side how we could come up with the same
- 16 type of programs to other residents in the City, because it's
- 17 not really fair that we can only -- you know, this is only
- 18 happening -- it is fair, because it's CRA money. But on the
- 19 other hand it would be wonderful that we had similar programs
- 20 like that on the City's side; that a person is not penalized
- 21 because of where they live; if you're in Riviera Beach, you're
- 22 in Riviera Beach. But I'm just hoping that we could get some
- 23 grants or get something moving that we can offer some of these
- 24 same type of services or resources to our residents regardless
- of where they live in the City. Thank you.

Page 71 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you. 2 Any more comments for item 8? 3 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: I quess we can bring that up also at this workshop and make sure that we flush it out, that we leave 4 5 out of there -- and one other thing, Mrs. Chair, I'd like to make sure that when we have our retreat we bring back the 7 policies and procedures for the Event Center. 8 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. You got that? INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: Yes. 10 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Any more comments for item 8? 11 12 You know what, what was the motion? Are we still -- we're 13 bringing it back? 14 THE CLERK: The motion was as it reads. VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: As it reads. Okay. I'm 15 16 thinking about --COMMISSIONER PARDO: Madam Chair, I think it was --17 18 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: But didn't you want to change 19 it or bring it back or something? 20 COMMISSIONER PARDO: Yeah, but I didn't -- right. So what I would like to see is for us to table this to the next meeting, 21 22 so we can talk about it at the retreat and decide, you know, 23 what we really want Broadway to look like. And like the mayor 24 had brought up, maybe we can turn this into some type of a 25 security type safety program, encouraging the businesses to look

Page 72 at cameras and additional lighting and --2 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. So what's your motion? 3 COMMISSIONER PARDO: So my motion is to postpone this until the next meeting so we can discuss it at the retreat. 4 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: Second. 5 6 (Vote taken.) THE CLERK: Motion carries. 7 (Motion passes unanimously.) 8 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Item number 9. 10 THE CLERK: Discussion, Commissioner Hubbard, CRA general counsel's contract. 11 12 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Ms. Hubbard. 13 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: Simply, Madam Chair, I think that at 14 this point that we should put out an RFP and put -- and give the 15 attorney a 30-day notice that we're going to go out for, to put 16 out an RFP for services for CRA attorney services. Now we have had a lot of trouble with the different 17 18 contracts from the CDE to the CDC and to the Event Center and 19 the LLC; and since the month of August we have been trying to 20 get Mr. Brown out of our business. And we are in one particular 21 contract that, that forced us to hire a special manager to go to 22 operate alongside Mr. Brown because we -- and this is just an 23 example, that we weren't able to just dissolve him of all his 24 authority when we fired him. And I don't think that that was in

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our best interest. I think that it's just time -- we don't, we

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- don't even have a really substantial contract with our CRA
- 2 attorney. We just have a paragraph of engagement. And I just
- 3 think that I would like to see and feel more confident that we
- 4 within the next 30 days be able to hire or appoint a CRA
- 5 attorney. I would just like to go out for, put it out for bid.
- 6 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. We have a few comment
- 7 cards and then we can come back.
- 8 Ms. Mary Brabham, and then Ms. Bessie Brown.
- 9 Ms. Jenkins, are you ready?
- 10 MS. BRABHAM: Ms. Mary Brabham, Riviera Beach.
- 11 Apparently I can see that it is some disagreement here.
- 12 I've known Mr. Haygood for numerous of years. Mr. Haygood can
- 13 be workable.
- 14 Each administration goes through their own format and what
- 15 they want. I know that within his contract nothing has been
- 16 done since June the 26th of 2006. Per se I do not fault
- 17 Mr. Haygood. I fault the leaders in the staff for doing that to
- 18 Mr. Haygood.
- 19 All of these other things that Mr. Brown, Mr. Brown should
- 20 have been the past but he's not the past; and like I said,
- 21 mistakes was made.
- 22 Can Mr. Haygood be workable? Could Mr. Haygood meet
- 23 you-all's goals? Could the parameters be placed for
- 24 Mr. Haygood? Those are the questions that you will have to
- 25 decide on.

- I never felt and I never believed that Mr. Haygood ever had
- 2 any intentions of trying to be deceitful or trying to keep
- 3 things, you know, prematurely away from you.
- 4 Just like your attorney on the City's side, they work for
- 5 your Board. Mr. Haygood worked for your Board. So quite
- 6 naturally when the hands turn you get, you get different
- 7 opinions and different, you know, whatever.
- 8 So I do know that we have to clean up some things. So if
- 9 you want to put it out again, perhaps Mr. Haygood could reapply.
- 10 But if you want to work with him and set your parameters in
- 11 place, you know, if you want to do some options for him, you can
- 12 do that. Because he's not a bad person at all.
- 13 Mr. Haygood, I'm going to tell you that to your face. You
- 14 are not a bad person at all.
- Sometimes its the leadership capacity in a lot of times
- 16 where you're placed at. So at some times it may be too late for
- 17 you to separate yourself. But if different people come in and,
- 18 you know, set those parameters, and what I expect of you, and
- 19 this is how you shall be governed, and this is what I want from
- 20 you, then you know these things.
- 21 So I know that this decision is entirely left up to you
- 22 all. I'm not dictating, you know, your vote or anything.
- 23 Ms. Brabham just only expressing what I see, and then how I can
- 24 obtain some goals that are there.
- So I thank you all. So good night.

- 1 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you, Ms. Brabham.
- Next Ms. Bessie Brown, and then Ms. Bonnie Larson.
- 3 MS. BROWN: Bessie Brown.
- I don't think the majority of you know, but I have sat
- 5 through the CRA meetings more than any other citizen in the City
- 6 of Riviera Beach, because I specifically learned that Viking
- 7 never spent more than a million dollars all the while he was
- 8 work -- he was here with us. But he had us changing plans and
- 9 doing all kinds of things, paying for it, on the backs of our
- 10 taxpayers.
- 11 Now, Mr. Haygood, I can almost specifically remember you
- 12 saying you didn't have a contract with the CRA, about late 2015,
- 13 because I think that all of you up there now, not -- that has
- 14 not been -- has come across for you, since you've been on the
- 15 council. But I'm sure Ms. Pardo may remember, because I think
- 16 he was told -- you were told to bring it back to the next
- 17 meeting.
- 18 My thing is to have staff, Scott, review those minutes or,
- 19 you know, the agendas I guess from May. I would just say March
- 20 2015 to until Mr. -- until Mr. Brown was terminated. Because
- 21 I -- and if you read those minutes, I'm sure it was in there
- 22 because I sat right here that night, because I was surprised
- 23 that he didn't have one, that's how I remember, that's how good
- I remember, he said it was just the letter. And I was sure he
- 25 was told you bring it back to the next meeting so we can take

- 1 care of that. And that's the only reason I'm here tonight,
- 2 because I'm really ready to go home. Because I just wanted to
- 3 get that point out --
- 4 UNIDENTIFIED AUDIENCE MEMBER: I think we all are.
- 5 MS. BROWN: -- that point out. And then, you know, I'm
- 6 just trying to -- because we need to do better, we need to do
- 7 right. You know, I was shocked that you didn't have a contract,
- 8 you know, at that time. But we need to make sure that we're
- 9 working within the realms of, you know, like we should, of what
- 10 we've done, did we take care of did he not have the letter.
- But I understand you all have a right to do -- ask for any
- 12 kind of counsel that you want, you know, to represent you.
- 13 So have a good night.
- 14 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you, Ms. Brown. And we
- 15 will hopefully get you out of here very shortly.
- Ms. Bonnie Larson is our last one for item number 9.
- MS. LARSON: I think we're all ready to go home.
- 18 We talked about the attorney position for the CRA and for
- 19 the City multiple times. And I always thought it would be
- 20 better -- I know some of you disagree with that -- that we hired
- 21 a firm. Reason being, if someone goes on -- I mean an attorney
- 22 needs to go on vacation, he gets sick, family emergencies, we're
- 23 sitting here with nothing. Let's say something, heaven help,
- 24 something worse happens to that person. We don't have anybody
- in the legal department who knows what's going on in the CRA.

- 1 Those are my reasons for maybe a firm being a better idea when
- 2 you're reviewing this.
- 3 I read through that 2006 -- it's called an engagement
- 4 letter, I think, for Mr. Haygood. It said he has, was given 30
- 5 days notice to change his prices. I don't think he's ever done
- 6 that. But it gave him the ability to do that. And I don't
- 7 think that's quite right.
- 8 Also when we're thinking about attorneys, attorneys have
- 9 different levels of work. Like for sitting at a meeting, that's
- 10 not too much work with that, you get a question every once in a
- 11 while; versus writing a document or something. Maybe it
- 12 shouldn't be a flat fee for everything.
- 13 Oh. What I also didn't understand was when Mr. Brown was
- 14 terminated, a letter should have been sent the very next day to
- 15 all our bankers, our vendors, our customers, our investors, to
- 16 everybody, saying Tony Brown is no longer employed by the City
- 17 of Riviera Beach. That should have been done the next day.
- 18 That should have been proposed to you. In my opinion.
- 19 We gave Mr. Brown a full office set-up. Did we ever get
- 20 any of that back?
- 21 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: We're still on the --
- MS. LARSON: Were you reminded of any of that?
- VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: -- contract for Mr. Haygood.
- MS. LARSON: Right. But I'm just saying an attorney should
- 25 have told you that. When you terminate someone, an attorney

- 1 should be the one to say here's what you should do, steps one
- 2 through five. I didn't ever hear that happen.
- We need an attorney who would go through, since Mr. Brown
- 4 is now gone, all the bank loans that we have. Do we really know
- 5 what those loans say? We should have our attorney do that, go
- 6 through all those loans and everything so we know where we
- 7 stand.
- 8 Mr. Brown liked to leverage things. That was his favorite
- 9 word, leverage things. We could lose a lot of property if we
- 10 don't play it right. So we need to know exactly what those
- 11 loans say. And I don't know who else would know that. I don't
- 12 know if Mr. Evans knows that or he could give you a synopsis of
- 13 it. Somebody needs to go through all those loans and the money
- 14 that we owe.
- I guess that's about it. But no offense, Mr. Haygood, but
- 16 I think contracts should be renewed on a regular basis. And the
- 17 attorney has to work with all of you. If you don't find that
- 18 happening, then you go out and look somewhere else.
- 19 But I think there are things which weren't done, which need
- 20 to be done. And we can still do them. Should have been done
- 21 the day Mr. Brown left.
- Thank you.
- VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you, Ms. Larson.
- 24 Comments from the Board?
- 25 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: Madam Chair.

- 1 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.
- 2 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: We can provide him 30 days
- 3 notice. But 30 days is generally not the time that it takes --
- 4 if we're putting it out in an RFP capacity, there has to be --
- 5 and I just don't see that happening in 30 days. If it is the
- 6 pleasure of the Board not to continue.
- 7 I mean I know that we have had our challenges. But I do
- 8 believe that if we're going to go out for a search for a CRA
- 9 attorney then we should give sufficient notice so that there is
- 10 no, that there is no lag. And then additionally so that there
- 11 won't be a need to bring in an attorney in the interim; we can
- 12 just move about and put a realistic time frame. Because I just
- 13 think that the 30-day period is a little short.
- 14 How much time do you generally when your RFPs go,
- 15 Mr. Evans, how long are they out there advertised?
- 16 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: We could put it out
- 17 to -- the City's procurement does all of our -- their department
- 18 does them. And they usually take anywhere between -- well,
- 19 we've put them at least for a minimum of two to three weeks is
- 20 the time from when it gets published to when we start to
- 21 evaluate. So I think minimum that's -- at minimum 60 days is
- 22 usually their process. But we could ask Mr. Mealy to come back
- 23 to a future meeting to update you.
- 24 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: I just want us to be realistic
- 25 so that we are not without --

- COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: I don't think 60 days is necessary,
- 2 that 60 days. And the reason I said 30 days, because at a
- 3 minimum, at a minimum it would it will take 30 days, maybe it
- 4 will take 45 days. But I don't think it needs to take 60 days.
- 5 The other thing is this: I don't want to be in the
- 6 situation that we're in like we were on the City's side, with
- 7 the city manager. We had 120 days, and we waited right until we
- 8 were down to 20 days before we started going out for a search.
- 9 So if we -- if -- even if we give Mr. Haygood a notice
- 10 tonight and inform him that we will be putting out an RFP for
- 11 attorney services, whether he's interested in staying the 45
- 12 days, or the 30 days, at least we have started the process and
- 13 not once again waited until the last minute.
- So my point is to make notice that we're going out for RFP
- 15 and have -- and have a document drawn up for review this week.
- 16 If a procurement -- a procurement should be given notice by
- 17 Mr. Scott tomorrow -- I mean, excuse me, Mr. Evans, Scott Evans,
- 18 tomorrow, that we would like him to start soliciting an RFQ or
- 19 an RFP or whatever form we're going to use to solicit an
- 20 attorney. And I know that's something we can do by appointment,
- 21 attorneys, also. But we just -- I just want to give notice
- 22 tonight.
- 23 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: Madam Chair.
- VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.
- COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: And I'm, I'm, I am not opposed

- 1 to giving the notice tonight. I'm just talking about what the
- 2 procurement code does indicate as it relates to how things are
- 3 let.
- 4 So Mr. Haygood would be provided his notice tonight that we
- 5 intend to put it out for an RFP, and we do our due diligence,
- 6 and go through the process, and then come back and make that
- 7 decision based on those that respond.
- 8 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Is that good, Ms. Hubbard?
- 9 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: That's sufficient. Yes, ma'am.
- 10 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. So, Mr. Evans --
- MR. HAYGOOD: May I be heard before the vote is taken --
- 12 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.
- MR. HAYGOOD: -- or afterwards? May I be heard?
- 14 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.
- Do we have any comments? No. We have public comments
- 16 still to do.
- MR. HAYGOOD: I just want to say that, number one, the
- 18 engagement letter does serve as a contract for attorneys. As I
- 19 explained in the past. The engagement letter does not provide
- 20 for any service, severance damages. It doesn't provide for you
- 21 providing me with any benefits. It was a straight per hour
- 22 payment.
- 23 There's been this undercurrent that for some reason I
- 24 favored Mr. Brown over the Board. I thought I had explained in
- 25 detail the fact that the structure of the transaction prevented

- 1 the Board from having any direct influence over the Event Center
- 2 and/or the LLC. I mean the CDE.
- 3 I don't know what problems you're talking about with the
- 4 contracts. These are contracts that were drafted not only by me
- 5 but also by your bond counsel, who structured the deal. This
- 6 wasn't something -- in fact, the bond counsel had to give you an
- 7 opinion of counsel that in fact the structure was proper.
- 8 I obviously serve at your pleasure. I can say though that
- 9 I don't think I would be able, if you do decide to go out, that
- 10 I would be able to serve this board any longer.
- 11 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. So we don't have a
- 12 motion on the floor. Do we have a motion?
- 13 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: I make a motion that we go ahead and
- 14 give Mr. Haygood notice tonight that we are -- our intention is
- 15 to go out for a request for qualifications to secure a CRA
- 16 attorney.
- Our CRA is not doing that much work right now. We have --
- 18 and I think we can survive because we have an assistant attorney
- 19 with the City, Mrs. Busby, who can sit in for the meetings. We
- 20 aren't going into contracts. We aren't leveraging or negotiating
- 21 any deals right now.
- VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: What's your motion? Just give
- 23 us -- I know you're giving -- she's trying to write it down.
- 24 She wants to be able to -- what do you want -- what is the
- 25 actual motion?

- 1 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: My actual motion, Madam Chair, is
- 2 that we give Mr. Haygood notice that our intent is to release a
- 3 request for qualifications for the services of a CRA attorney
- 4 for the City of Riviera Beach.
- 5 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Do we have a second?
- 6 Wait. Are you good, Ms. Hatcher?
- 7 THE CLERK: Yes.
- 8 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Do we have a second?
- 9 Do we have a second?
- 10 Well, I -- I mean can I pass the gavel? Who can I pass the
- 11 gavel to, to second?
- 12 COMMISSIONER PARDO: To the clerk.
- 13 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: To Ms. Davis Johnson.
- 14 COMMISSIONER PARDO: No, the clerk should give the gavel.
- VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Well, the attorney just told
- 16 me to pass it to Ms. Davis Johnson.
- 17 COMMISSIONER PARDO: Okay.
- 18 THE CLERK: She can do it?
- 19 MR. HAYGOOD: I think it should be one of the board
- 20 members.
- VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Ms. Hubbard, though,
- 22 she's inquiring about the time frame.
- 23 THE CLERK: Is it a 30-day notice or a 10-day notice? You
- 24 didn't say -- you just said give notice.
- 25 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: Immediate notice for tonight, that

- 1 our intention is to go out for services.
- THE CLERK: Is to release an RFQ for attorney for the City
- 3 of Riviera Beach?
- 4 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: The CRA.
- 5 THE CLERK: The motion was to give Michael Haygood notice
- 6 tonight that our intention is to release an RFQ for an attorney
- 7 for the CRA?
- 8 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: Yes, that will do.
- 9 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Second.
- 10 Do we have any discussion? I do have a discussion though.
- 11 A clarification on this.
- 12 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: Was she asking was it a 30-day
- 13 notice? Does she have that in her --
- 14 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Well, what do we have to give
- 15 him? We have to give him at least the 30 days.
- 16 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: Yes. I didn't hear her read that.
- 17 That's why I was asking.
- 18 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Well, we're going to go out --
- 19 we're going to have Scott contact Mr. Mealy --
- 20 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: Immediately.
- VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Yeah, tomorrow, to go ahead
- 22 and put it out. But in terms of the time frame, we have to give
- the 30 anyway.
- 24 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: Right.
- 25 MR. HAYGOOD: You --

Page 85 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: But I mean that's up to him, 2 what he chooses to do. 3 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: But we have to give a 30-day notice. That's what I said initially. 4 5 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. 6 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: It's been motioned and 7 properly second. Madam Clerk. 8 THE CLERK: Commissioner Pardo. 9 COMMISSIONER PARDO: No. 10 THE CLERK: Commissioner Hubbard. COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: Yes. 11 12 THE CLERK: Commissioner Davis Johnson. 13 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: No. 14 THE CLERK: Vice-Chair Miller-Anderson. VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes. 15 16 THE CLERK: That motion is tied. COMMISSIONER PARDO: It failed. Did not pass. 17 18 MR. HAYGOOD: It fails. 19 THE CLERK: It failed. 20 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: The mayor doesn't break ties? 21 MR. HAYGOOD: Not on the CRA. 22 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: I'll take the gavel back. 23 The mayor is a special guest tonight. 24 We appreciate you being here, Mayor. 25 But he doesn't participate in the breaking of the tie.

- 1 MR. HAYGOOD: Not on the CRA.
- 2 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: The CRA, right. Not on the
- 3 CRA.
- 4 Public comments.
- 5 Louis Williams, and Margaret Shepherd.
- 6 MR. WILLIAMS: Good evening. Louis Williams.
- 7 I'm going to try to make this very brief.
- 8 For almost two and a half years now I've been talking about
- 9 the food truck. I went out and invested thousands of my own
- 10 money to acquire a food truck.
- 11 At the conversation that we had with Mr. Brown before he
- 12 was let go, we had already picked out three different sites that
- 13 I was going to be able to set up and go. There is -- I talked
- 14 about the electricity, the power. Mr. Brown indicated to me
- 15 that at one point that he said that well maybe you might just
- 16 want to bring a generator in here until you -- until we get that
- 17 power put in.
- 18 At this point I'm kind of frustrated because I don't know
- 19 where we are. Mr. Evans, Scott Evans, has came out to my home.
- 20 He had seen the trailer. He brought an electrician out. He saw
- 21 the trailer. The electrician was there. I have invested
- 22 thousands of my money, and I'm not having or getting any help.
- 23 What happens a lot here, council people, is that people
- like myself come up here and make comments; you do not direct
- 25 staff to get back with that individual to let them know the

- 1 situation. So it prolongs from one meeting to the next. And
- 2 from that meeting to the next. And now it's a year, it's a year
- 3 and a half, people get fired, people let go, and here we sit. I
- 4 hear from two or three different council members, okay, you're
- 5 okay, you're going to be there, you're going to get this, you're
- 6 going to get this done. But the person at the helm has not
- 7 contacted me in four or five months. I haven't heard a word.
- 8 It's discouraging, very discouraging.
- 9 I could be putting people to work, number one. I could get
- 10 some of my investment back, number two.
- 11 This is not the Little House on the Prairie, people. We
- 12 sit here, and people all around the country are watching us and
- 13 laughing at us, we make such crazy mistakes. We're only a click
- 14 from Palm Beach over there, where there are more millionaires
- 15 than you can shake a stick at, and they're watching us every day
- 16 making these silly mistakes.
- 17 I can't sit here and tell you what mistakes you make
- 18 because you need to know those yourself. And I would hate to do
- 19 that openly in public.
- 20 But you don't clean the house by cleaning one room. You
- 21 got a lot of cleaning to do. And you need to straighten it up.
- 22 You need to get it done. So people like myself can carry on and
- 23 do what they need to do to make their lives a lot happier.
- 24 Thank you.
- VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you, Mr. Williams.

- 1 Ms. Margaret Shepherd, and then Ms. Bonnie Larson.
- MS. SHEPHERD: Margaret Shepherd, Riviera Beach.
- 3 You know, on your front of your program it says in
- 4 accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990.
- 5 Persons in need of special accommodations to participate. And
- 6 I've asked several times for the book. It's just one book here,
- 7 Scott. So I don't know what you're talking about. We don't
- 8 know what you're discussing. And if you print the one book, I
- 9 don't understand why you don't print the other book for the
- 10 people with disabilities and put it over in the library.
- 11 We have no way of knowing what you're talking about. And
- 12 as you all are talking, how in the heck are we supposed to go on
- 13 with the conversation like you all. I think I'm entitled to it.
- 14 I think I'm entitled to it. I called, I asked. It started for
- 15 about six months, and then -- and I know, I understand the
- 16 transition is going on at the CRA, but you're printing the one
- 17 book. So if you're printing one book, I don't understand how
- 18 you don't print another book. I don't understand it. And I've
- 19 asked twice.
- 20 And then I sit here and hear you all say, well, one person
- 21 asked the question, can you get back when asking them questions.
- 22 Well, I think I'm just as important as the other person. Why
- 23 don't you say get with Ms. Shepherd and answer her questions?
- 24 You don't do it. Double standards here. And I'm a little sick
- of it right now because I've always supported the CRA. Got a

- 1 little snubbed, Scott, but I supported the CRA. Name one time
- 2 I've never supported you. And, you know, it got a little nasty
- 3 over there, and I'm pretty sick of it.
- And as far as Mr. Haygood, I guess I'm a little prejudiced
- 5 with Mr. Haygood, I guess I'm a little prejudiced, because Fane
- 6 Lozman said I didn't have nothing. But Mr. Haygood is a part of
- 7 my family team of lawyers. He's a part of it. And if I can
- 8 trust Mr. Haygood, I would have told my mother, let him go. But
- 9 he's done a fine job for a 94-year-old lady.
- 10 Thank you.
- 11 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you, Ms. Shepherd.
- 12 Next we have Ms. Larson, and then Ms. Delcia Brooks
- 13 Hamilton.
- MS. LARSON: First I'd like to say to Mr. Haygood, you
- 15 didn't get a five -- nobody is firing you tonight. Five people
- 16 didn't say let's get rid of Mr. Haygood. They said they want to
- 17 put out an RFQ. So that's okay. Everybody can apply for that,
- 18 who's qualified, can apply for that. So I think to say -- I
- 19 wish you hadn't said, well, I'm going to quit if you do that,
- 20 because you didn't get a five-oh vote, no one said they were
- 21 going to fire you. So I think that's -- you need to reconsider
- 22 that. Everyone is allowed to apply.
- 23 And it needs to be redone every once in a while, put the
- 24 word out there.
- Tonight in Mr. Haygood's bill I saw that there's discussion

- 1 about the CRA office lease. I'd like to know how -- when is
- 2 that lease going to expire, how much do we pay. And I've
- 3 mentioned this two or three times, why don't we consider instead
- 4 of renting for the rest of our lives, to put a building of our
- 5 own on that 20, 21st Street property that belongs to the City?
- 6 Put an office building there and use it now for the CRA.
- When our city is beautiful and we don't need the CRA
- 8 anymore, we rent it out to someone else.
- 9 But why aren't we investing in ourselves? We own that
- 10 property. It's just sitting there. Put some money into
- 11 building an office building right there and have the CRA there,
- 12 rather than us paying rent forever.
- So what is the term of the new lease they're considering?
- 14 And what is the cost of that?
- Also I saw on the bill that IG has requested documents from
- 16 the CRA. And I'm wondering what are those documents that the IG
- 17 has requested from the CRA?
- 18 Thank you.
- 19 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you, Ms. Larson.
- Ms. Delcia Hamilton, and then Ms. Mary Brabham.
- MS. HAMILTON: Good evening everyone, Madam Chair and
- 22 council and what's left of the community.
- 23 My name is Delcia Brooks Hamilton. And I was actually one
- 24 of the first people who responded to the ad for the restaurant.
- 25 And I brought a copy of it right here.

- 1 They also -- after, after they did not get enough people
- 2 that were interested in the restaurants they decided to run a
- 3 second ad, which I also have a copy of it. It's a little bit
- 4 messy. However -- I had been speaking to Tony Brown for quite
- 5 some time. Never got any response. And here I am today, it's
- 6 almost two years. I sent in a letter of interest, which I also
- 7 have a copy right here. Never really got a response.
- 8 So like I spoke to Mr. Evans this evening and he said
- 9 there's going to be a meeting that's going to be coming up, I
- 10 believe at the end of, did you mention January? Right. So I
- 11 have been very anxiously waiting to see what they're going to do
- 12 with the restaurants pad at the marina.
- I have my own company. I am a small business owner here in
- 14 Palm Beach. I lived in Palm Beach County for about 20 years. I
- 15 now presently live in the Acreage. And I'm looking to, in the
- 16 near future, to buy a property here in Riviera Beach.
- 17 So my question is this evening to Mr. Brown (sic), I'd like
- 18 to find out when are they going to start the process with the
- 19 restaurant pad.
- 20 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: I just want to let everybody
- 21 know that smell you smell was the mayor cutting the heat on. So
- 22 we just fixed it. We're good.
- He'll come back around and answer --
- 24 MAYOR MASTERS: Honest mistake.
- VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Mr. Evans can address it

- 1 after, you know, your comments.
- 2 Do you have any other comments to make?
- 3 MS. HAMILTON: And by the way, the name of my company is
- 4 called Pangia Grill, Inc., and it's registered in the State of
- 5 Florida. I've got all the licenses. And I do have some of the
- 6 funding.
- 7 And one question I wanted to ask: Would I qualify for that
- 8 40,000 as a new business owner?
- 9 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: During the public comment
- 10 just, you know, you have the time, your three minutes to speak;
- 11 and then we can have Mr. Evans get with you if you want to speak
- on something individual; or he can just give a general answer in
- 13 his comments at the end. But we'll be more than happy to pass
- 14 your information to him and he can give you a call. And then
- 15 you all can sit down and speak.
- MS. HAMILTON: Okay. That sounds good because I'm actually
- 17 ready to do business here and provide job opportunity and
- 18 training for the community.
- 19 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Thank you,
- 20 Ms. Hamilton.
- 21 Ms. Mary Brabham, and then Ms. Bessie Brown. That's the
- 22 last comment card.
- MS. BRABHAM: Ms. Mary Brabham, Riviera Beach.
- I did not say Happy New Year to the listening audience out
- 25 in TV land because I've said it to every individual. But I did

- 1 not bring those greetings to the TV land. So Ms. Brabham says
- 2 Happy New Year to each and every one.
- I would just like to make mention -- I know this perhaps
- 4 doesn't have anything to do with the CRA, but since you serve on
- 5 both boards, it is a road kill, a kitty cat, on Avenue O and MLK
- 6 there. Someone hit the cat, and he's lying in the street. So I
- 7 want someone to go and get the cat. So I want to say that, go
- 8 and get the kitty cat on O Avenue, right there where that light
- 9 is off of MLK.
- 10 So this has been a very interesting night. We did get a
- 11 lot accomplished, a lot of good feedback, a lot of good
- 12 comments. So hopefully we can get out of here about 10:30 or
- 13 earlier than that.
- MAYOR MASTERS: Maybe before.
- 15 MS. BRABHAM: Thank you. Good night.
- MAYOR MASTERS: And we love your hat, Ms. Brabham.
- MS. BRABHAM: Thank you.
- 18 MAYOR MASTER: It's beautiful.
- 19 MS. BRABHAM: Thank you.
- VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you, Ms. Brabham.
- Okay. We were -- where were we?
- 22 THE CLERK: Bessie Brown.
- VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Oh. Bessie Brown. I'm sorry.
- You here, Ms. Brown?
- MS. BROWN: Yeah, I'm here.

- 1 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay.
- 2 MS. BROWN: Bessie Brown.
- 3 Have you all advertised to hire a CRA director? I really
- 4 want an answer to that one. And if you haven't, you need to get
- 5 to it. Because we need things to do' and we don't have any,
- 6 what, public/private partnerships and stuff, and we don't have
- 7 any money coming in.
- 8 We had a referendum where we were trying to say that the
- 9 City should own, manage and operate its own marina, which we had
- 10 that voted down.
- And now I just wonder how many of you know how many
- 12 contracts do we have and how many of them are being honored,
- 13 because everything at the marina is leased.
- 14 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you, Ms. Bessie Brown.
- Okay. That ends public comments.
- Do we have a report of the executive director?
- 17 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: I'll just address some
- 18 of the comments, if that's okay.
- 19 I'm very anxious and excited to get back underway with
- 20 proceeding with private development opportunities at the marina.
- 21 And that will be the main focus of the retreat the first day, on
- 22 January the 20th, which is a Friday.
- 23 And I'll just share with you part of our focus will be to
- 24 present that we think that we need to move forward with putting
- out those opportunities to the private market to come in and

- 1 build restaurants and some other potential development. And
- 2 also while we're doing that, proceed to deploy our agency's
- 3 resources to do a strong events programming initiative, which
- 4 would include food truck programs. So I think we're very
- 5 anxious to move forward with that.
- 6 We did, when the Board -- I did actually recently review
- 7 the minutes, just to see what the current authority is; and when
- 8 the Board released CBRE our authority to continue negotiating
- 9 for deals for future restaurants was also halted at that point.
- 10 But I would like to begin that immediately following the
- 11 retreat, if that's something that the Board wants to do.
- 12 We think it's very important to get new restaurants open
- down at the marina, fill out our Event Center space. And I
- 14 think there's a lot of interest in coming in and redeveloping --
- 15 bringing private development to the marina; if it's from a
- 16 parking garage and a hotel and future restaurants. So it would
- 17 be my number one priority following the retreat to try to start
- 18 to get those initiatives out on the street and brought back to
- 19 this Board for your consideration and review.
- One of the comments was that there's only one book at the
- 21 back. And we will commit to having two books from now on. I
- 22 know we used to also provide one at the public library. We can
- 23 do that also.
- 24 THE CLERK: It's over there.
- 25 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Do we have one?

- 1 THE CLERK: Yes.
- 2 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: She says there's one at the
- 3 library.
- 4 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: There is one at the
- 5 library? Okay. Good. I did make that commitment.
- 6 And that's it. Thank you.
- 7 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: That's it for the executive
- 8 director.
- 9 Do you want to start at the end with Ms. Pardo's report?
- 10 I'm sorry. Report of general counsel. Mr. Haygood.
- MR. HAYGOOD: I don't have any report.
- 12 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. Ms. Pardo.
- 13 COMMISSIONER PARDO: No, I don't have anything. Thank you.
- 14 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Ms. Hubbard.
- 15 COMMISSIONER HUBBARD: I'd like to say that we do need to
- 16 put out the RFP for the executive director of the CRA.
- I also am disappointed that we have not done anything with
- 18 the food truck, with the food truck. Instructions were given
- 19 for Mr. Evans to meet with Mr. Williams to go over that. They
- 20 had the electrician that was out there. I know Mr. Evans had
- 21 other ideas about what he wanted to do and what he wanted to see
- 22 as far as the food truck. And that's one of my concerns,
- 23 because I think Mr. Evans wants to do exactly what he thinks is
- 24 best for the marina as opposed to what the commission thinks or
- 25 as opposed to what the public thinks.

- I also know that that young lady has been around here. We
- 2 give credence to some people and certain people, and we look at
- 3 people and we size them up and we determine whether or not they
- 4 can do business with us. And I know that she has been around
- 5 the CRA trying to have a legitimate conversation, with a
- 6 legitimate business plan and legitimate documents to say that
- 7 she wants to open a restaurant. However, we gave
- 8 Rafiki Tiki an audience and we gave them money to operate
- 9 down at the marina. I think that, you know, those are the kind
- 10 of things that are concerning me.
- 11 And I think that this commission is doing the residents of
- 12 Riviera Beach a disservice by operating with a letter of
- 13 agreement for legal services that's dated 2006.
- We asked for Mr. Brown to be relinquished of his service,
- 15 we voted, we got rid of him, but yet I think that it was
- 16 incumbent upon the attorney when we first negotiated that deal
- 17 to make sure that we are not ever in any deals that we can't get
- 18 out of. We -- why would we be in a situation that we can't rid
- 19 ourselves of Mr. Brown? So that's a concern, a concern of mine.
- 20 And I think that if we have an agreement that's dated 2006,
- 21 a letter of agreement that was signed by someone who was on the
- 22 dais ten years ago, I think we're operating like a bunch of
- 23 cowards. And we should stand -- we should do right and get --
- 24 and put out an RFP. And if Mr. Haygood reapplies, he reapplies.
- 25 But not to just -- to just sit up here and do absolutely

- 1 nothing, I think that something is really wrong with that.
- 2 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Thank you.
- 3 Ms. Davis Johnson.
- 4 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you, Madam Chair.
- 5 I want to first thank -- where's my note here? Oh. I want
- 6 to thank the Riviera Beach CRA, CDC, Solid Waste Authority, and
- our community partners that participated in Dr. Martin Luther
- 8 King Day of Service. It was really great to see the number of
- 9 students that were there, the number of volunteers that were
- 10 there. And certainly the residents are happy.
- 11 However, one of the things that I would like to see as we
- 12 move forward with Paint Your Heart Out, most of the time things
- 13 are left undone or incomplete. And as a body we need to -- for
- instance, Ms. Gilbert's roof, the inside of the carport is not
- 15 completed. It's not completely painted.
- 16 Pardon?
- MS. JENKINS: I was just saying we were deluged with rain
- 18 at the end. So there are plans to go back.
- 19 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: Right. But we need to make
- 20 sure that we stick to those provisions of going back. Because
- 21 remember now there was some work that was done at Ms. Shirley
- 22 Clark's house that went undone, with the promise of coming back.
- 23 So I want us to get out of the habit that we're promising to go
- 24 back and actually go back. Because if you're going to paint
- over a dark color, which I believe it was black, we need to go

- 1 back sooner than later to complete it.
- We don't want to get in the habit of leaving our residents
- 3 with projects unfinished, because that's not who we want to be
- 4 seen as a city and as a business. So we need to work on getting
- 5 that done. But I do want to say kudos to the staff for all that
- 6 was done.
- 7 The signage for the marina is up. But is there lighting
- 8 coming with that?
- 9 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: The signs will actually
- 10 all be lit internally, yes. And there's actually a lot more
- 11 signs going in, monument signs and pedestrian signs.
- 12 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: Okay. Because, you know, to
- 13 pass by it and see it in the dark is just -- it does it such a
- 14 disservice, so I wanted to make sure that we were having those
- 15 lights installed.
- 16 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: Yes.
- 17 COMMISSIONER DAVIS JOHNSON: When we bring back the, the
- 18 regulations for the Event Center, one of the things that I would
- 19 like to see is what is the number of uses for CRA members,
- 20 meaning this body, to utilize the facility at no cost? We need
- 21 to look at that and put some parameters in place.
- 22 And then I want to encourage the residents to save the date
- 23 of January 28th. It is Listening Tour Number II. We will be in
- 24 the Lone Pine Park. All residents are invited, if you want to
- 25 come out and learn about some of the initiatives that are going

- on and have some questions answered. But we are certainly going
- 2 to address the concerns of the property owners in Lone Pine and
- 3 Turtle Cay, because that's -- we're going out into the western
- 4 part of the county. So please save the date of January 28th for
- 5 Listening Tour Number II.
- Then we are proud to announce and we ask you to save the
- 7 date for Loves in Bloom in the Community Garden. So this is our
- 8 attempt to give greater exposure to the garden, but to just
- 9 celebrate a pre-Valentine's Day for our couples. We love our
- 10 children but this is an opportunity for parents to come out and
- just enjoy from 6:00 to 9:00. There will be music, there'll be
- 12 refreshments and dancing. We want you to be able to just enjoy
- 13 the garden. So that is February 10th from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00
- 14 p.m.
- 15 Thank you.
- 16 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Great.
- I don't have any comments other than one thing. And I just
- 18 want clarification from Mr. Haygood. I know the motion died.
- 19 But I'm not understanding, are you still willing to stay on?
- 20 Because you said that if we went out for it you were going to
- 21 stop.
- MR. HAYGOOD: Yes. You did not go out so I will --
- VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Okay. I didn't know if
- 24 because we went with the motion, that included -- that was
- 25 included. So you're still good?

- 1 MR. HAYGOOD: Yes.
- 2 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Do we have a motion to
- 3 adjourn?
- 4 MAYOR MASTERS: Can I just add one thing?
- 5 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.
- 6 MAYOR MASTERS: I just want to quickly -- I was handed this
- 7 by a member of the audience -- just to quickly go over the
- 8 Dr. King festivities. Tomorrow -- well, Thursday, January the
- 9 12th, the senior citizen luncheon at the Marina Event Center.
- 10 January the 14th will be the National Martin Luther King
- 11 Parade that we have every year, but it's going to start at 10:00
- 12 a.m. this year instead of 11:00.
- And then we have for the second year the Martin Luther King
- 14 March for Peace. And if we ever needed the March for Peace,
- 15 it's in times like these. And that is Sunday, January the 15th,
- 16 on Martin Luther King Boulevard. It will start at Martin -- at
- 17 Dr. Martin Luther King and President Barack Obama Highway at
- 18 4:45 p.m.
- 19 And then MLK Gospel Explosion, Thursday, January the 19th,
- 20 the city hall courtyard, featuring several local choirs and
- 21 special guest Jimmy Hicks, 6:00 p.m.
- Then the final event is the awards and musical banquet; and
- 23 the quest speaker is Carol Moseley Braun, the former senator
- 24 from the state of Illinois. And that will be Saturday, January
- 25 the 21st, at the Marina Event Center.

Page 102 And I also want to say we have received news that the 2 Bishop, Victor T. Curry, appears to have had a major stroke; and we're asking for prayers for Victor Curry. He was not doing 3 4 well today at all. 5 And finally I want to thank the Pro Tem KaShamba 6 Miller-Anderson for doing a very good job chairing these meetings. And she chaired it with dignity, intelligence; and I 7 8 felt very respected tonight. Thank you. VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Even though I left you off. 10 But we're good though. You know I didn't mean that at all. You 11 are the best, Mayor. 12 I think they're looking for an adjournment. But Mr. Evans wanted to say something, if you all can give 13 14 him like one minute. 15 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: I just want to 16 congratulate Darlene Hatcher. She recently received her CMC, Certified Municipal Clerk, designation. That took many, many 17 18 years. Thank you. 19 VICE-CHAIR MILLER-ANDERSON: Motion to adjourn. 20 (Proceedings concluded at 10:30 p.m.) 21 22 23 24 25

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     THE STATE OF FLORIDA
     COUNTY OF PALM BEACH
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          I, Claudia Price Witters, Registered Professional Reporter,
     certify that I was authorized to and did report the foregoing
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     proceedings at the time and place herein stated, and that the
     foregoing is a true and correct transcription of my stenotype
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#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The CRA Regular Meeting was adjourned at 10:30 P.M.	The minutes were approved
by the Board of Commissioners on	
Terence Davis, Chairperson	
Interim Executive Director Scott Evans	
/cw Florida Court Reporting	
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#### CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date:	2/8/2017
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**Agenda Category:** 

Subject: MONTHLY APPROVAL OF VENDOR INVOICES

Recommendation/Motion: APPROVE

Originating Dept CRA FINANCE DEPT. Costs

User Dept. CRA FINANCE DEPT. Funding Source

Advertised No Budget Account Number

**Date** 

**Paper** 

Affected Parties Not Required

#### Background/Summary:

Fiscal Years
Capital Expenditures
Operating Costs
External Revenues
Program Income (city)
In-kind Match (city)
Net Fiscal Impact
NO. Additional FTE Positions

#### **III. Review Comments**

A. Finance Department Comments:

PLEASE APPROVE

(cumulative)

- B. Purchasing/Intergovernmental Relations/Grants Comments:
- C. Department Director Review:

Contract Start Date
Contract End Date

Renewal Start Date

Renewal End Date

Number of 12 month terms this renewal

Dollar Amount

Contractor Company Name

**Contractor Contact** 

Contractor Address

Contractor Phone Number

Contractor Email

Type of Contract

Describe

#### ATTACHMENTS:

File Name	Description	Upload Date	Туре
FORM02-08-17_MTG_Invoices.pdf	COVER SUMMARY SHEET	2/2/2017	Cover Memo
FL_COURT_REPORTING_#171045_\$618.pdf	FL COURT REPORTING #171045 \$618	2/2/2017	Backup Material
FL_FISHING_ACADEMY_#0117_\$2_500.pdf	FL FISHING ACADEMY #0117 \$2,500	2/2/2017	Backup Material
LANGTON_ASSOC_#017_\$5_000.pdf	LANGTON ASSOC #017 \$5,000	2/2/2017	Backup Material
M_HAYGOOD_#NC-90NC-91_\$9_169.pdf	M HAYGOOD #NC-90, NC-91 \$9,169	2/2/2017	Backup Material
TORCIVIA_D_GA_PA_#14412_\$147.pdf	TORCIVIA, D, G & A, PA #14412 \$147	2/2/2017	Backup Material

#### REVIEWERS:

Department	Reviewer	Action	Date
CRA	Hatcher, Darlene	Approved	2/2/2017 - 2:12 PM

11:32 AM 2/2/2017

# Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency CONSULTANT/VENDOR INVOICES FOR BOARD APPROVAL AT THE FEBRUARY 8, 2017 MEETING

2/1/2017

ITEM #	VENDOR NAME	EXPIRES	RES #, DATE	INVOICE #	AMOUNT	SUBTOTAL
1	Florida Court Reporting	10/29/2017	2015-33; 9-9-15	170862	\$720.00	\$720.00
	\$15,000 per Calendar Year					
2	Florida Fishing Academy	11/11/2017	2016-19; 10-26-16	1216	\$2,500.00	\$2,500.00
	\$30,000/yr					
3	J. Michael Haygood	N/A	N/A	NC-90	\$8,374.00	
	N/A			NC-91	\$795.00	
						\$9,169.00
4	Langton Associates	8/31/2017	2015-29; 8-26-15		\$5,000.00	\$5,000.00
	\$60,000/yr					
5	Torcivia, Donlon, Goddeau & Ansay	N/A	N/A	14412	\$147.00	\$147.00

**TOTAL OF ALL INVOICES** 

\$17,536.00 \$17,536.00

## Riviera Beach CRA Payment Authorization Checklist

Vendor Name: Florida Court Reporting				
Control No.: Res No. 2015-33 Invoice No.: 171045				
Invoid	Invoice Date: 1 17 2017 Payment Amount: \$ 418.00			
Projec	et Supervisor/Responsible Official: Darlene	Hatcher		
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		Reviewed/Approved by		
Ø	Project "scope of work and deliverables" reviewed?	410		
	Payment support documentation appropriate based on work scope ?	(A)		
LA.	Deliverables due with this invoice have been received?	(Ha)		
	If final payment, have all deliverables been received?	NA		
Ŋ	Amount of payment is in agreement with payment schedule or is appropriate and is within the limits of the total agreement amount, on a cumulative amount basis?	(B)		
	Expense reimbursement amounts meet Agency guidelines or amounts approved by the agreement.	NIA		
	The nature of work being performed is within the scope of the CRA plan.	NIA		
	Funds for payment have been budgeted and are available from the appropriate source(s) for payment.	Si		
The inv	oice and supporting documentation have been reviewed and it	is approved for payment.		
Approving Authority  Date:				
-PPIOT		. 4		
X	Payment approved by the Board of Commissioners by Motion Consent Agenda, at its meeting on 9[9[2015			

Florida Court Reporting 2161 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd. Suite 302 West Palm Beach FL 33409 Phone:561-689-0999 Fax:

> Scott Evans, Executive Director Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency 2001 Broadway Suite 300 Riviera Beach FL 33404

## INVOICE

Invoice No.	Invoice Date	Job No.
171045	1/17/2017	122414
Job Date	Case	No.
1/11/2017		
	Case Name	
Riviera Beach Commun	ity Redevelopment Agency	
	Payment Terms	1
Due upon receipt		

Original transcript of:				
1-11-17 CRA board meeting	103.00 Pages	@	6.00	618.00
	TOTAL DUE >>:	>		\$618.00
We appreciate your business!				
Past due balance in excess of 30 days shall bear interest at the maximum rate allowable by law. Cli ncluding attorney's fees.	ient agrees to pay all costs	of collection,		

Please detach bottom portion and return with payment.

Scott Evans, Executive Director Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency

2001 Broadway Suite 300

Tax ID: 65-0466508

Riviera Beach FL 33404

Case Name : Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency

: 122414

BU ID

Invoice No. : 171045

Job No.

Case No.

Invoice Date

Phone: 561-844-3408 Fax:561-881-8043

: 1/17/2017

: WPB

**Total Due** : \$618.00

PAYMENT WI	TH CREDIT CARD	ANDX WISA
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Card Number:		
Exp. Date:	Phone#:	
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Zip:	Card Security Code:	
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Remit To: Florida Court Reporting 2161 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd. Suite 302

West Palm Beach FL 33409

## Riviera Beach CDC CRAP Payment Authorization Checklist

Vendor Name: Foridn Fishing Academy	
Control No.: Invoice No.:	1
Invoice Date: Journ 25,2017 Payment Amount: \$ 2	ED-
Project Supervisor/Responsible Official:	rs_
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Date:	17
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Motion No. 2016-19	
or the Consent Agenda, at its meeting on $10-16-16$	(If applicable)

### INVOICE



Florida Fishing Academy 7067 Peninsula Court Lake Worth, Fla. 33467 Phone (561) 740-7227 Fax (561) 963-2773

**INVOICE # 0117** 

Date: January 25, 2017

TO:

Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency 2001 Broadway #300 Riviera Beach, FL 33404 Ph. 561-844-3408, Fax 561-881-8043

Att: Annetta Jenkins

FOR:

Re: JANUARY 1, 2017 to JANUARY 25, 2017

DESCRIPTION	Service Dates	AMOUNT DUE
	Re: JANUARY 1, 2017 to JANUARY 25, 2017	\$2,500
Services rendered		
Note: Refer to Monthly Report		
		\$2,500

Class Overview: Please see attached report, Highlights section.

Make all checks payable to

Florida Fishing Academy

Thank you for your business!



ATTN: Annetta Jenkins Riviera Beach CRA 2001 Broadway STE 300 Riviera Beach FL, 33404

Re: JANUARY 1, 2017 to JANUARY 25, 2017

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	Annual	Current	November 2016
300	Target	Month	To Date
Community Events	2	0	0
Riviera Residents-Single Sessions	550	0	40
Riviera Residents-Camp	140	0	0
Non-Residents-Single Sessions	0	22	100
Non-Residents-Camp	0	0	0
Classes	55	0	5
Weeks of Camp	7	0	0
Volunteer Hours	0	0	0

#### **Highlights**

1/21/17
This past Saturday we partnered with the Palm Beach County VA Medical Center, Fisheries for Veterans and the FWC. We had 22 disabled veterans and support staff attend a day of fishing . The veterans caught triggerfish, snappers, grunts, kingfish and more. It was a great day! Several of the Veteran's were in wheel chairs and a coupe were blind.

Along with some windy and cold days, winter vacation limited our classes this month.

#### Volunteer Names

Nothing new to report.

#### **Community Partners**

Seagull Academy, Palm Beach VA Medical Center, Fisheries for Veterans and the FWC

#### Compliance

Nothing new to report.

#### Innovation and News

Nothing new to report.



Thank you,

Captain Richard Brochu

Executive Director

Florida Fishing Academy, Inc.

7067 Peninsula Court

Lake Worth, FL 33467

561-740-7227

## Riviera Beach CRA Payment Authorization Checklist

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Invoice Date: Jonuary 25,47 Payment Amount: \$ 5,00					
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The nature of work being performed is within the scope of the CRA plan.					
Funds for payment have been budgeted and are available from the appropriate source(s) for payment.					
The invoice and supporting documentation have been reviewed and it is approved for payment.					
Date: 2-1-17					
Payment approved by the Board of Commissioners by Motion No. 2015-29 or the Consent Agenda, at its meeting on 8-26-15. (If applicable)					



January 25, 2017

Invoice #: 017

Riviera Beach CRA Scott Evans, Interim Executive Director 2001 Broadway, Suite 300 Riviera Beach, Florida 33404

RE: Continuing Services Agreement (RFQ 469-14)

Professional fee for grant consulting services rendered to Riviera Beach CRA for January 2017.

Amount due: \$5,000.00

Please remit upon receipt to:

Langton Associates, Inc. (FID #: 59-2247694) 4830 Atlantic Boulevard Jacksonville, Florida 32207

Thank you

Heather Pullen Office Manager RECEIVED

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REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY





## **Riviera Beach CRA Grant Writing Report**

Month: January 2017	
Grants Awarded	<ul> <li>Allegany Franciscan Ministries Foundation Tau Grant- \$10,000 for Riviera Beach Heights Community Garden Expansion Program</li> </ul>
Grant Opportunity Research	Affordable Housing Program from FHLB-ATL for Bougainvillea Court – next cycle- need site control
Technical Assistance	Still waiting for next steps from Palm Tran.
Communication with Staff	<ul> <li>1/5- follow up on AFM grant award and online reporting</li> <li>1/11- Discussion with Annetta regarding FMPP application opening</li> <li>1/25- scheduling conference call for week of 1/26</li> </ul>
Grants in Progress	<ul> <li>USDA- Farmers Market Promotion Program-         <ul> <li>Due March 27, 2017</li> </ul> </li> <li>CED-Healthy Food Financing Initiative for the Riviera         <ul> <li>Beach Public Market</li> <li>Due April 28, 2017</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Grants submitted	State Farm- Good Neighbor Citizenship Company Grant for the clean and safe program. – <b>Not Funded</b>



## Riviera Beach CRA Payment Authorization Checklist

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February 1, 2017

Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency C/O Scott Evans 2001 Broadway, Suite 300 Riviera Beach, FL 33404

Re: Ja

January Invoice

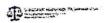
Dear Mr. Brown:

Attached are the statements for legal services from January, 2017, in the total amount of \$9,169.00.

If you have any questions regarding this statement, please let me know.

+ Michael Havor

**Enclosures** 



J. Michael Haygood, PA 701 Northpoint Parkway Suite 209 West Palm Beach, Florida 33401 561-684-8311

## Statement

Invoice No: NC-90 Date: 2/1/17

Bill to: Ri

Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency

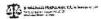
Scott Evans 2001 Broadway Suite 300

Ríviera Beach, FL 33404

Gener	al Administration				
Hourl	y Fees			*	
Date	Description	Timekeeper	Time	Rate	<u>Amount</u>
1/4/17	Document Preparation	J. Michael Haygood	2.4 hrs	\$265.00/HR	\$636.00
	Preparation of resolution a	und deed for ICYG	387		6
1/4/17	Document Preparation	J. Míchael Haygood	2.9 hrs	\$265.00/HR	\$768.50
	Research of new LLC statute	e and preparation of	amendment t	to operating agr	reement.
1/5/17	Revise Document	J. Míchael Haygood	1.7 hrs	\$265.00/HR	\$450.50
	Revised resolution for ICYG	and quit claim deed	4		
1/5/17	Document Preparation	J. Míchael Haygood	1.9 hrs	\$265.00/HR	\$503.50
	Finalized resolutions for re	ehabilitation progran	ns.		
1/6/17	Phone Call	J. Michael Haygood	0.4 hrs	\$265.00/HR	\$106.00
	Telephone conference with	Arnold Broussard an	d Scott Evans	2	
1/6/17	Meeting	J. Michael Haygood	2.4 hrs	\$265.00/HR	\$636.00

*	Attendance at CDE and LLC me	eting.		*	
1/11/17	Meeting	J. Míchael Haygood	4.7 hrs	\$265.00/HR	\$1,245.50
	Attendance at CRA meeting.				v.
1/12/17	Meeting	J. Michael Haygood	2.7 hrs	\$265.00/HR	\$715.50
	Meeting with CRA staff.				
1/18/17	Review Document	J. Michael Haygood	0.6 hrs	\$265.00/HR	\$159.00
	Review of Notice of Suit and pr	eparation of Notic	e to carrier.		
1/20/17	Telephone Conference	J. Míchael Haygood	0.4 hrs	\$265.00/HR	\$106.00
	Telephone conference with Arn	old Broussard.			
1/20/17	Meeting	J. Míchael Haygood	4.6 hrs	\$265.00/HR	\$1,219.00
	Attendance at CRA Retreat.				
1/24/17	Telephone Conference	J. Míchael Haygood	0.6 hrs	\$265.00/HR	\$159.00
	Agent for Tom Thornburgh ag	ent for liability ca	urrier for CRA.		
1/24/17	Telephone Conference	J. Michael Haygood	0.4 hrs	\$265.00/HR	\$106.00
	Telephone conference with Jim	McGinn, agent fo	r the Florida L	eague of Cities	:
1/26/17	Research	J. Michael Haygood	2.5 hrs	\$265.00/HR	\$662.50
	Dissolution of LLC's:				
1/30/17	Document Preparation	J. Michael Haygood	3.4 hrs	\$265.00/HR	\$901.00
	Preparation of Articles of Disso	olution.			
	Hourly Fees Total		31.6 hrs	\$	8,374.00

Balance: \$8,374.00



J. Michael Haygood, PA 701 Northpoint Parkway Suite 209 West Palm Beach, Florida 33401 561-684-8311

## Statement

Invoice No: NC-91 Date: 2/1/17

Bill to:

Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency

Scott Evans 2001 Broadway

Suite 300

Riviera Beach, FL 33404

Hourly	Fees				
Date	<u>Description</u>	<u>Timekeeper</u>	Time	<u>Rate</u>	Amoun
12/14/16	Document Review	J. Míchael Haygood	0.3 hrs	\$265.00/HR	\$79.5
	Review of comments to draft (	Contract for Sale an	d Purchase		
1/20/17	Review Document	J. Míchael Haygood	0.3 hrs	\$265.00/HR	\$79.5
	Receipt and review of Notice t	to Owners:			
1/20/17	Telephone Conference	J. Michael Haygood	0.3 hrs	\$265.00/HR	\$79.5
	Telephone conference with Pe	terRay.			
1/27/17	Research	J. Michael Haygood	2.1 hrs	\$265.00/HR	\$556.5
	Rent restrictions for HOA's.				
à	Hourly Fees Total		3.0 hrs		\$795.00

## Riviera Beach CRA Payment Authorization Checklist

Vendor Name: TOYCIVIA, DONLON, G-02 de Control No.: NA Invoice No.: 14412	au & Ansau Pl
Control No.: NA Invoice No.: 14412	7/
Invoice Date: 13-8-16 Payment Amount: \$_1	14700
Project Supervisor/Responsible Official: Milhay/ Hay Gen	
	Reviewed/Approved by
Project "scope of work and deliverables" reviewed?	8
Payment support documentation appropriate based on work scope?	
Deliverables due with this invoice have been received?	A
If final payment, have all deliverables been received?	N/A
Amount of payment is in agreement with payment schedule or is appropriate and is within the limits of the total agreement amount, on a cumulative amount basis?	MA
Expense reimbursement amounts meet Agency guidelines or amounts approved by the agreement.	Ę
The nature of work being performed is within the scope of the CRA plan.	NA
Funds for payment have been budgeted and are available from the appropriate source(s) for payment.	3
he invoice and supporting documentation have been reviewed and it	is approved for payment.
pproving Authority  Date:	2-1-17
Payment approved by the Board of Commissioners by Motior Consent Agenda, at its meeting on	No. /V# or the (If applicable)

### TORCIVIA, DONLON, GODDEAU & ANSAY, P.A.

701 Northpoint Parkway, Suite 209 West Palm Beach, Florida 33407

Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency 2001 Broadway, Suite 300 Riviera Beach, Fl 33404 Attn: Darlene Hatcher

561-686-8700 561-686-8764 fax www.torcivialaw.com

December 08, 2016

In Reference To: General Employment Matters

Federal Tax ID 65-0195026

Invoice #

14412

**Professional Services** 

		Hours	Amount		
11/17/2016 JO	0.30				
11/29/2016 JO	prior correspondence with M. Brown regarding E. Pasarell.  11/29/2016 JO Telephone conference with Lindsey Wagner regarding issues relating to Passarel matter; review of related materials.				
For p	professional services rendered	0.70	\$147.00		
Total	Balance due		\$147.00		
Name	Timekeeper Summary Hou		Amount		
Jonathan O'Conne	II, Senior Associate 0.7	0 210.00	\$147.00		

#### **Conrad Koller**

From:

Hay Law <mhaygood@haygoodlaw.com>

Sent:

Monday, January 23, 2017 11:19 AM

To:

Conrad Koller

Subject:

Re: follow up on 3 items

Yes, I have reviewed the invoice from the Torcivia Law firm and approve the amount billed.

J. Michael Haygood

J. Michael Haygood, P.A.

701 Northpoint Parkway Suite 209 West Palm Beach, Florida 33407

Tel: 561-684-8311 Fax: 561-686-8764

E-mail: mhaygood@haygoodlaw.com

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On Jan 23, 2017, at 9:01 AM, Conrad Koller < CKoller@rbcra.com wrote:

Mr. Haygood,

I wanted to follow up on 2 items we talked about on Friday and one new item.

- 1. We need a new date down letter for the MEC site
- 2. You were going to review and let me know the status of Invoice 14412 from Torcivia, Donlon etc. for \$147. They were going to show it to you. If you need a copy, let me know.
- 3. We received a new notice of non-payment. It is attached. Fyi, we anticipate paying weitz a big payment by the end of the week.

All the Best,

#### Conrad Koller

Accounts Payable Technician

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#### CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

M	eeting	Date:	2/8/2017
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**Agenda Category:** 

Subject: CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Recommendation/Motion: APPROVAL

Originating Dept INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Costs

User Dept. Funding Source

Advertised No Budget Account Number

**Date** 

**Paper** 

Affected Parties Not Required

#### Background/Summary:

SEE ATTACHED

**Fiscal Years** 

**Capital Expenditures** 

**Operating Costs** 

**External Revenues** 

Program Income (city)

In-kind Match (city)

**Net Fiscal Impact** 

**NO. Additional FTE Positions** 

(cumulative)

#### **III. Review Comments**

- A. Finance Department Comments:
- B. Purchasing/Intergovernmental Relations/Grants Comments:
- C. Department Director Review:

Contract End Date Renewal Start Date Renewal End Date Number of 12 month terms this renewal **Dollar Amount** Contractor Company Name Contractor Contact Contractor Address Contractor Phone Number Contractor Email Type of Contract Describe ATTACHMENTS: File Name Description **Upload Date** Type ICYG\_MEMO.pdf **ICYG MEMO** 2/2/2017 Cover Memo ICYG Update resolution.pdf ICYG RESOLUTION 2/2/2017 Resolution

Contract Start Date

ICYG_EXHIBIT_A.pdf	EXHIBIT A-BACKUP	2/2/2017	Backup Material
REVIEWERS:			
Department	Reviewer	Action	Date
CRA	Hatcher, Darlene	Approved	2/2/2017 - 4:13 PM
CRA Internal Review	Evans, Scott	Approved	2/2/2017 - 4:13 PM

2/2/2017

Backup Material



### RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

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### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Honorable Chair and Members, CRA Board of Commissioners City of Riviera Beach, FL

FROM:

Scott Evans, Interim Executive Director

COPY:

J. Michael Haygood, CRA Attorney

DATE:

January 11, 2017

**AGENDA ITEM**: Resolution to amend the Sales Agreement with Inner City Youth Golfers' Incorporated to close on the property for the future home of a new community youth golfing center and African American Golfers and Youth Golfers Hall of Fame.

#### **SUMMARY:**

The Inner-City Youth Golfers' Incorporated (ICYG, Inc.), a non-profit organization is requesting to amend the approved sales agreement to allow them to close on the property while they continue to raise funds to complete construction. The existing agreement requires that they provide evidence of construction financing prior to closing on the property. ICYG has expressed that their fund-raising activities have been limited by not being able to close on the property. The requested modification to the contract would eliminate the construction funding condition and replace it with a deed restriction on the property requiring that it be developed exclusively for the planned youth center. The Agency discussed this item at the meeting held on December 14, 2016, and requested that it be brought back to the January meeting with the applicant attending.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

Consistent with the requirements of the Community Redevelopment Act and the CRA's Real Property Acquisition and Disposal Policy, on April 23, 2014 the CRA Board Approved Resolution No. 2014-19, to enter into a 24-month options contract for six remnant parcels owned by the Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency (RBCRA) to the ICYG, Inc. for \$12,000 subject to certain conditions being met before the transfer of ownership during the options period:

- 1. Submittal of architectural rendering for CRA review and comment
- 2. Provide evidence of Site Plan approval from the City of Riviera Beach
- Provide evidence of construction funding for proposed project
- 4. The option agreement provides that the purchaser has two years to complete the above during which time they will pay \$2,562 per year for the maintenance of the property which will be credited towards their purchase price if they close within the two-year time frame.

Since the original contract was approved, ICYG, Inc. has complied with submitting architectural renderings (shown below, ICYG Rendering), and has received site plan approval from the City Council. On December 14, 2016, the CRA Board added ICYG as a discussion item to discuss the amendment of the Sales Agreement with ICYG. ICYG has requested to amend the contract in order to close on the property; closing on said property would allow ICYG to raise more funds along with obtaining a construction loan from banks in order to complete the construction.

The requested amendment would include the requirement of providing evidence of construction funding with a deed restriction on the property, requiring that it be developed exclusively for the planned youth center.

#### **ABOUT ICYG, INC.:**

The Inner-City Youth Golfers' Incorporated is funded from public and private sources: gifts, grants and donations from individuals; corporations; foundations; businesses; federal, state and local governments.

#### ABOUT THE SUBJECT PROPERTY:

The map below highlights the property located on 13th Street west of Avenue E. The approved contract is for a total of \$12,000. The non-profit "Inner City Youth Golfers' Incorporated" desires to develop a community youth golfing center and African American Golfers and Youth Golfers Hall of Fame; offering an indoor and small outdoor golf skills, education and learning center. This amenity would be a great complement to youth recreational services given the project's proximity to the Riviera Beach Boys and Girls Club.

#### **ICYG Rendering**





#### RESOLUTION NO. 2017-\_\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (THE AGENCY) AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A QUIT CLAIM DEED BY AND BETWEEN THE AGENCY AND THE INNER CITY YOUTH GOLFERS', INC. ("ICYG") ("BUYER") FOR VARIOUS PROPERTIES SPECIFICALLY DESIGNATED IN EXHIBIT A FOR A TOTAL OF \$12,000 FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A YOUTH EDUCATIONAL AND GOLF CENTER MUSEUM WITHIN 5 YEARS OF THE DATE OF THE DEED AND TO BE USED FOR NOT FOR PROFIT PURPOSES IN PERPETUITY; FINDING THAT THE SALES PRICE REPRESENTS FAIR VALUE; DIRECTING AND AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO TAKE SUCH ACTIONS AS SHALL BE NECESSARY AND CONSISTENT TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT AND DESIRE OF THE AGENCY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, the Agency is the owner of the properties identified in Exhibit "A" (the "Property") attached to the Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Property Acquisition and Disposition Program ("Policy") adopted by the Agency it was determined that said Property should be sold; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Policy and Section 163.380, Florida Statutes, notice of disposition was advertised in a newspaper of general circulation soliciting proposal for the use of the Property in conformity with the adopted community redevelopment plan; and

WHEREAS, the Riviera Beach CRA Board of Commissioners approved Resolution 2014-19, approving the Agency to enter into an Purchase and Sale Agreement with ICYG for various designated parcels for the purchase price of \$12,000.00 (the "Purchase Price"); and

WHEREAS, the acquired parcels shall be used by ICYG for future development of a youth educational and golf museum to be constructed within 5 years of the date of the deed and to be used not for profit purposes in perpetuity subject to the right of reentry by the Agency for failure to do so; and

WHEREAS, ICYG has paid \$5,154.00 of the Purchase Price leaving a balance of \$6,876.00 (the "Balance"); and

WHEREAS, Staff recommends that the Commissioners of the Agency approve the sale of the Property to ICYG upon the terms as outlined above upon the payment of the Balance of the Purchase Price.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY THAT:

**SECTION 1.** The Commissioners of the Agency hereby approves the Quit Claim Deed attached hereto.

**SECTION 2.** The Chair and Executive Director of the Agency, on behalf of the Agency, are each hereby authorized to execute and attest, respectively, the Quit Claim Deed between the Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency and Inner City Youth Golfers', Inc. upon the payment of the Balance of the Purchase Price.

**SECTION 3.** This resolution shall be effective immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this \_\_\_ day of February 2017.

	RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY
	REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
	Ву:
ATTEST:	Name: Title: Chairperson
Executive Director	
Executive Director	
	Approved as to form and legal sufficiency
MOTION BY:	J. Michael Haygood Date
SECONDED BY:	J. Michael Haygood, PA General Counsel to CRA
T. DAVIS L. HUBBARD D. PARDO T. DAVIS K. MILLER ANDERSON	

#### This instrument prepared by and return to:

J. Michael Haygood 701 Northpoint Parkway, Suite 209 West Palm Beach, FL 33407

#### QUITCLAIM DEED

THIS INDENTURE made	this	day of		, 2017, bet	tween
the Riviera Beach Community	Redevelo	pment Agenc	y, a body o	corporate and	politic
created pursuant to Part III,	Chapter	163, Florida	Statutes,	the Grantor, v	whose
mailing address is 2001 Broad	way, Su	ite 300, Rivier	ra Beach, F	lorida and Inne	r City
Youth Golfers, Inc., a Florida	not for p	profit corporati	ion the Gra	ntee, whose m	nailing
address is	•				_

#### WITNESSETH:

That said Grantor, for and in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars (\$10.00) and other valuable considerations in hand paid by the said Grantee, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, by these presents does remise, release and quitclaim unto the said Grantee, its successors and assigns forever, the following described land, situate, lying and being in Palm Beach County, State of Florida, to wit:

See Exhibit "A" attached hereto and made a part hereof

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same together with all and singular the appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, and all the estate, right, title, interest and claim whatsoever of the said Grantor, either in law or in equity, to the only proper use, benefit and behoove of the said Grantee, its successors and assigns forever unless and on the express condition subsequent that if the Grantee fails to construct a youth educational and golf center museum in a minimum of 2000 square feet within five (5) years of the date of this deed and to be used in perpetuity for not for profit purposes then at such time this interest will terminate completely; and the Grantor its successors and assigns shall have the right of reenter on that occasion and take full possession of, as well as title to such real property.

[Signatures on following page]

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, this Quitclaim Deed has been executed by the Grantor the date first above written. Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of: RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY \_\_\_\_\_, Witness Terence D. Davis, Chairperson \_\_\_\_\_, Witness STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF PALM BEACH The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017 by Terence D. Davis as Chairperson of the Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency who is personally known to me or who have produced \_\_\_\_\_ as identification. Notary Public

Print

My Commission Expires:

### RESOLUTION NO. 2016-13

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY ("AGENCY") AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT TO THE EXCLUSIVE OPTION AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE **AGENCY** AND INNER CITY YOUTH **GOLFERS'** INCORPORATED TO EXTEND THE CLOSING DATE OF THE SALE FOR AN ADDITIONAL TWO YEARS: DIRECTING AND AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO TAKE SUCH ACTIONS AS SHALL BE NECESSARY AND CONSISTENT TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT AND DESIRE OF THE AGENCY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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WHEREAS, on April 23. 2014 the Agency's Board of Commissioners approved Resolution No. 2014-19 authorizing the execution of a 24-month Exclusive Option Agreement by and between the Agency and Inner City Youth Golfers Incorporated ("ICYG"), attached as Exhibit "A" (the "Agreement"); and

WHEREAS, the Agreement provides for a two-year option for ICYG to purchase the property contingent upon certain conditions being met before the transfer of ownership; and

WHEREAS, on July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2015 the Agency Board of Commissioners approved Resolution No. 2015-23 finding that the site plan for the proposed Inner City Youth Golf Museum is consistent with the adopted Community Redevelopment Plan; and

WHEREAS, ICYG has requested an additional two years to meet certain conditions of the Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Agency recommends that the Board of Commissioners of the Agency approve the amendment to the Agreement to extend the closing date for an additional two years.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY THAT:

<u>SECTION 1.</u> The Commissioners of the Agency hereby approve the Amended Exclusive Option Agreement to extend the closing date for an additional two years contingent upon the continuing submittal of annual options payments. Option payments will be credited toward the final amount due.

# PASSED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of July, 2016

ATTEST:	R	By:	OZEMENT AGEN OZEME errence Davis hairperson	CY <u></u>
Executive Director	***************************************			
MOTION BY: SECONDED BY:	D. Pardo T. Davis Joh		J. Michael Haygood Date 4 July July J. Michael Haygood General Counsel to	J XVV
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**RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY** 



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	ontract for Sale and Purchase, Vaca			
bet	etween RIVIERA BE. id INI	ACH COMMUNITY	COLEEDS INC	•
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	Inspection Period. Seller and Bu		d the Inspection Period for	an additional days or
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	Short Sale Approval Deadline.			val Deadline for an additional
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	Due Diligence Period. Seller a	• •		nce Period for an additional
Thi	is extension will be on the same tem	ns and conditions a	s stated in the original con	ract except:
All	other non-conflicting terms of the co	ntract remain in ful 		uls 07/22/16
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## RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

2001 BROADWAY, SUITE 300 RIVIERA BEACH, FL 33404 PHONE: 561-844-3408 FAX: 561-881-8043 Website: www.rbcra.com

### **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Honorable Chair and Members, CRA Board of Commissioners

City of Riviera Beach, FL

FROM: Tony Brown, CRA Executive Director

COPY:

J. Michael Haygood, CRA Attorney

DATE:

April 13, 2016

SUBJECT: Resolution to extend the closing date of the Sale Agreement with Inner City Youth Golfers', Incorporated for two additional years for the new community youth golfing center and African American Golfers and Youth Golfers Hall of Fame.

#### REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION:

Request for Approval of a Resolution to amend the Sale Agreement with Inner City Youth Golfers', Incorporated for two additional years for the new community youth golfing center and African American Golfers and Youth Golfers Hall of Fame; offering an indoor and small outdoor golf skills, education and learning center.

#### **BACKGROUND:**

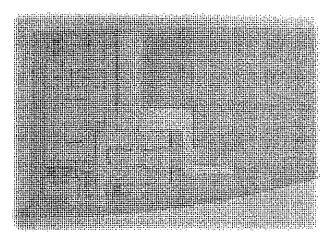
April 23, 2014 the CRA Board of Commissioners approved Resolution No. 2014-19, attached as Exhibit A, to enter into a 24 month options contract for the six remnant parcels owned by the Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency (RBCRA) with the Inner City Youth Golfers', Incorporated for \$12,000, subject to certain conditions being met before the transfer of ownership during the options period:

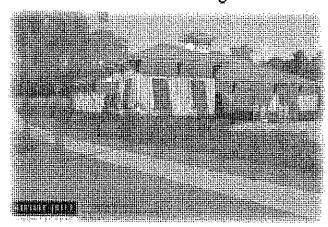
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- 2. Provide evidence of Site Plan approval from the City of Riviera Beach.
- Provide evidence of construction funding for proposed project.
- The option agreement provides that the purchaser has two years to complete the above during which time they will pay \$2,562 per year for the maintenance of the property which will be credited towards their purchase price if they close within the two-year time frame.

Within the 24-month feasibility period, ICYG has complied by submitting architectural renderings (shown below, ICYG Rendering), and has received site plan approval from the City. ICYG provided payments for maintenance of the property, and is in the process of fundraising for construction of the project. ICYG requires additional time to raise enough money to obtain construction financing and also meet the final requirement to close on the property purchase.

#### ICYG Site Plan

#### **ICYG Rendering**



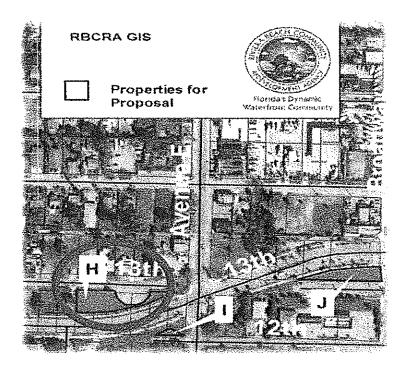


#### ABOUT ICYG:

The Inner City Youth Golfers' Incorporated is non-profit, tax exempt organization and is funded from public and private sources: gifts, grants and donations from individuals, corporations, foundations, businesses, federal, state and local governments.

#### ABOUT THE SUBJECT PROPERTY:

The map below highlights the property that was approved for sale to the Inner City Youth Golfers' Incorporated for \$12,000.00 (labeled as property "H"). The Inner City Youth Golfers' Incorporated desires to develop a community youth golfing center and African American Golfers and Youth Golfers Hall of Fame; offering an indoor and small outdoor golf skills, education and learning center. This amenity, if deemed financially viable, would be a great complement to youth recreational services given the project's proximity to the Max M. Fisher Boys and Girls Club in Riviera Beach and the Marina



#### **Payments**

April 25, 2014	Down Payment
Option Payment 2015	\$2,562.00
Option Payment 7/1/16	\$2,562.00
Option Payment 7/1/17	\$2,562.00
Balance to Close 5/18/18	\$1,752.00
Total of Payments	\$12,000.00

#### RECOMMENDATION

The RBCRA is recommending approval of a Resolution to amend the Sale Agreement with Inner City Youth Golfers', Incorporated, to extend the closing date for two additional years': subject to an annual option payment of \$2,562.00. All option payments will be credited to the purchase price, if the property closes by the end of the extension period. ICYG will be required to remit a final payment equal to \$1,752.00 at the closing for the new community youth golfing center and African American Golfers and Youth Golfers Hall of Fame.

### RESOLUTION NO. 2014-19

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (THE AGENCY) AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF AN EXCLUSIVE OPTION AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE AGENCY AND INNER CITY YOUTH GOLFERS' INCORPORATED ("BUYER") FOR VARIOUS PROPERTIES SPECIFICALLY DESIGNATED IN EXHIBIT "A" TO THE OPTION AGREEMENT ATTACHED HERETO FOR A TOTAL OF \$5,124 WHICH WILL BE CREATED TOWARDS THE PURCHASE PRICE OF \$12,000; FINDING THAT THE SALES PRICE REPRESENTS FAIR VALUE; DIRECTING AND AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO TAKE SUCH ACTIONS AS SHALL BE NECESSARY AND CONSISTENT TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT AND DESIRE OF THE AGENCY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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WHEREAS, the Agency is the owner of the properties identified in Exhibit "A" (the "Property") attached to the option agreement ("Option Agreement") attached hereto; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Property Acquisition and Disposition Program ("Policy") adopted by the Agency it was determined that said Property should be sold; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Policy and Section 163.380, Florida Statutes, notice of disposition was advertised in a newspaper of general circulation soliciting proposal for the use of the property in conformity with the adopted community redevelopment plan; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Policy the Executive Director has negotiated the Option Agreement which provides for a two year option for the Buyer to purchase the Property pursuant to the terms of vacant land contract ('Vacant Land Contract") attached to the Option Agreement; and

WHEREAS, the Agency finds that the sale of the Property to the Buyer is in the public interest for uses in accordance with the adopted Community Redevelopment Plan and the sales price is for fair value in light of the long term benefits achieved by the Agency for a short term loss; that the restrictions of limiting the Property to the development of affordable housing limits the value of the Property; and that the proposed development of the Property for affordable housing adds to the objective of eliminating slum and blight in the adopted plan; and

WHEREAS, Staff recommends that the Commissioners of the Agency approve the Option Agreement and the Vacant Land Contract for the sale of the Property to Inner City Youth Golfers' Incorporated.

# NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY THAT:

<u>SECTION 1</u>. The Commissioners of the Agency hereby approves the Option Agreement and Vacant Land Contract attached hereto for the property listed in Exhibit "A" thereto.

SECTION 2. The Chair and the Executive Director are hereby authorized and directed to execute and attest, respectively, that certain Option Agreement and Vacant Land Contract by and between the Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency and Inner City Youth Golfers' Incorporated for the Property substantially in the form of Exhibit "A" attached hereto, subject to the approval of the form thereof, consistent herewith, by the CRA Attorney, and such actions as shall be necessary and consistent to carry out the intent and desire of the Agency.

**SECTION 3.** This resolution shall be effective immediately upon its adoption.

RIVIERA REACH COMMUNITY

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 23rd day of April, 2014.

ATTEST:		REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY  By:
Time	<b>* · !</b> —	Title: Chairperson
Executive Director		-
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B. GUYTON D. PARDO C. THOMAS T. DAVIS J. DAVIS	AVE AVE AVE AVE	General Counsel to CRA

#### **EXCLUSIVE OPTION FOR THE PURCHASE OF REAL PROPERTY**

FOR AND IN CONSIDERATION of the granting of this Option, the payment of a non-refundable Option Fee of Five Thousand One Hundred Twenty Four Dollars (\$5,124) payable to Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency (hereinafter called "Optionor/Seller"), the Seller grants and gives to Inner City Youth Golfers' Incorporated (hereinafter called "Optionee/Buyer") the exclusive right and option to purchase that certain real property in Riviera Beach, Florida which have the following property control numbers:

See Exhibit "A"

(hereinafter the "Property").

This Option is given and granted by the Optionor/Seller to the Optionee/Buyer, subject to the following terms and conditions:

- 1. Term. This Option shall expire at midnight two years from the effective date of this agreement which shall be the day the last of the parties hereto execute the Agreement. The Two Thousand Five Hundred Sixty Two Dollars (\$2,562) of the Option Fee shall be payable upon the Effective Date of the Agreement and the balance shall be payable one year from the Effective Date.
- 2. The purchase price for said property shall be \$12,000 (hereinafter called the "Purchase Price"), which shall be paid to the Optionor/Seller at closing in cash, or its equivalent. Any Option Fee monies paid hereunder, including the aforementioned non-refundable Option Fee, shall be applied against the Purchase Price at closing should Optionee/Buyer exercise said Option.
- 3. The Optionee/Buyer shall exercise this Option by execution and delivery to the Optionor of the attached vacant land contract on or before the expiration date of this Option together with any down payment required thereby. Upon delivery of said executed vacant and the down payment, Optioner/Seller shall forthwith execute the same within five (5) days.
- 5. Title. If this Option is exercised, Optionor/Seller agrees to convey by warranty deed a good and marketable title to the Property, free and clear of all liens and encumbrances, except as hereinafter set forth. Optionee/Buyer shall have a reasonable time after the exercise of this Option in which to examine the title to said property. If Optionee/Buyer finds any legal defects to the title, Optionor/Seller shall be furnished with a written statement thereof and be given a reasonable time in which to correct same. If the Optionor/Seller shall fail to correct or satisfy such legal defects within a reasonable time, then Optionee/Buyer shall have a choice of accepting said property with such legal

defects or declining to do so, such choice to be exercised by written notice to Optionor/Seller. If Optionee/Buyer shall decline to accept said property subject to such legal defects, then the contract for the sale of such property shall be null and void. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Property shall be conveyed subject to:

- a. All valid restrictions of record; and
- b. Existing zoning ordinances and regulations.

Notwithstanding the above, it is expressly understood by both the Optionee/Buyer and Optionor/Seller that **NO EQUITABLE INTEREST** in the property is created in or to Optionee/Buyer by this Agreement, and that full ownership interest is retained by the Optionor/Seller until such time as Optionee/Buyer exercises his option as set forth herein.

- 6. Condition of Property. Optionor/Seller warrants that when the contemplated sale is consummated, the Property shall be purchased in its PRESENT AS-IS CONDITION. Risk of loss or damage to the Property for any reason except through fault of Optionee/Buyer prior to the consummation of the sale shall be borne by the Optionor/Seller with the exception of personal contents inside the property.
- 7. Non-exercise of option; Return of Option Payments. If this Option is not exercised by the Optionee/Buyer for any reason whatsoever, including, but not limited to, expiration of the term hereof or default by Optionee/Buyer or Optionor/Seller, the consideration paid by Optionee/Buyer hereunder shall be forfeited by the Optionee/Buyer to the Optionor/Seller, who shall retain all of said Option money as liquidated damages.
- 8. Default; Cross-Default. Should Optionee/Buyer not make any payment as contemplated herein as and when due, then Optionee/Buyer shall be in default hereunder, and any and all monies paid to Optionor/Seller hereunder shall be forfeited to Optionor/Seller. Additionally, any default by Optionee/Buyer under any separate agreement concerning the Property, including, but not limited to any leases for the possession thereof, shall be deemed a default under this Option, and any monies paid to Optionor/Seller hereunder shall immediately be forfeited to Optionor/Seller.
- 9. Property Insurance. Until such time as Optionee/Buyer exercises this Option, Optionor/Seller shall keep the Property insured against loss by fire or other casualty, and shall maintain such insurance in an amount equal to the replacement value of the Property, as such as determined by Optionor/Seller's property insurance carrier.
- 10. Assignment. It is understood and agreed by the Optionor/Seller and the Optionee/Buyer that the Optionee/Buyer's interest herein may not be assigned to

any individual or individuals, corporation, syndicate or other business association, before or after the exercise of this Option.

- 11. Binding Effect. This agreement shall bind, and inure to the benefit of, the parties hereto, their heirs, administrators, executors, successors and assigns.
- 12. Representation and Warranties.
  - a. Optionor/Seller represents and warrants that it is the owner of the Property, and the officers or agents who sign this Option warrant that they have authority to sign same on Optionor/Seller's behalf:
  - b. Optionee/Buyer represents and warrants that he suffers from no legal disability that would prevent Optionee/Buyer's fulfillment of his duties and covenants as set forth herein.
- Miscellaneous.
  - a. Entire Agreement. This Agreement constitutes the sole and entire agreement between the parties hereto, and no modification shall be binding unless set forth in writing, properly attested, and attached hereto and signed by the parties hereto;
  - b. Governing Law. This Agreement shall be interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida;
  - c. Time. Time is of the essence of this Agreement;
  - d. Captions. The captions in this Agreement are included for convenience only and do not constitute a part hereof:
  - Counterparts. This Agreement may be signed in any number of counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, with the same effect as if the signatures thereto were upon the same instrument;
  - f. Rights and Remedies. The rights and remedies provided herein shall be cumulative and not exclusive of any rights or remedies provided by
  - g. Severability. If any provision of this Agreement, or part thereof, is held invalid, illegal or unenforceable, such provision shall be modified or deleted as to the extent to render the same valid, legal and enforceable. The validity, legality or enforceability of the remaining provisions hereof shall not, in any way, be affected thereby.
- 16. Notice. All notices required by this agreement shall be given in writing and shall be delivered by Registered Mail directed to the parties at the addresses given below. Said notices shall become effective as of the date of mailing as evidenced by the official receipt of the United States Postal Service:

# As To Optionor/Seller:

Tony Brown, Executive Director Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency 2001 Broadway

# Riviera Beach, Florida

# As To Optionee/Buyer:

Malachi Knowles, President Inner City Youth Golfer's, Inc. 1032 Center Stone Lane Riviera Beach, Florida 33404

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# **Vacant Land Contract**



51	option if Buyer defaults; will give Buyer the right to prepay without penalty all or part of the principal at any time(s) with
52	interest only to date of payment; will be due on conveyance or sale; will provide for release of contiguous parcels, if
53	applicable; and will require Buyer to keep liability insurance on the Property, with Seller as additional named insured.
\$4	Buyer authorizes Seller to obtain credit, employment and other necessary information to determine creditworthiness for
55	the financing. Seller will, within 10 days from Effective Date, give Buyer written notice of whether or not Seller will make
56°	(3) Mortgage Assumption: Buyer will take title subject to and assume and pay existing first mortgage to
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61°	interest rate of% which will will not escalate upon assumption. Any variance in the mortgage will be
62	adjusted in the balance due at closing with no adjustment to purchase price. Buyer will purchase Seller's escrow
63*	account dollar for dollar. If the lender disapproves Buyer, or the interest rate upon transfer exceeds% or the
64	assumption/transfer fee exceeds \$
65	will terminate and Buyer's deposit(s) will be returned.
66	CLOSING
67	4. CLOSING DATE; OCCUPANCY: This Contract will be closed and the deed and possession delivered on 45 days from eff. dte
60	45 days ("Closing Date"). Unless the Closing Date is specifically extended by the Buyer and Seller or by any other provision in this
	Contract, the Closing Date shall prevail over all other time periods including, but not limited to, financing and feasibility study
	periods. If on Closing Date insurance underwriting is suspended, Buyer may postpone closing up to 5 days after the insurance
	suspension is lifted. If this transaction does not close for any reason, Buyer will immediately return all Seller-provided title
72	evidence, surveys, association documents and other items.
	5. CLOSING PROCEDURE; COSTS: Closing will take place in the county where the Property is located and may be conducted by
	mail or electronic means. If title insurance insures Buyer for title defects arising between the title binder effective date and
75	recording of Buyer's deed, closing agent will disburse at closing the net sale proceeds to Seller (in local cashier's checks if Seller
	requests in writing at least 5 days prior to dosing) and brokerage fees to Broker as per Paragraph 17. In addition to other expenses
	provided in this Contract, Seller and Buyer will pay the costs indicated below.
78	(a) Seller Costs:
79	Taxes on the deed
80	Recording fees for documents needed to cure title
81	Title evidence (if applicable under Paragraph 8)
82°	Other:
83	(b) Buyer Costs:
64 85	Taxes and recording fees on notes and mortgages Recording fees on the deed and financing statements
86	Loan expenses
87	Lender's title policy at the simultaneous issue rate
88	Inspections
89	Survey and sketch
90	Insurance
91x	Other:
	(c) Title Evidence and Insurance: Check (1) or (2):
93°	[3] The title evidence will be a Paragraph 8(a)(1) owner's title insurance commitments Seller will select the title agent and
942	will pay for the owner's title policy, search, examination and related charges of Buyer will select the title agent and pay for
95z	the owner's title policy, search, examination and related charges or Buyer will select the title agent and Seller will pay for
96	the owner's title policy, search, examination and related charges.
97*	(2) Seller will provide an abstract as specified in Paragraph 8(a)(2) as title evidence. Seller Buyer will pay for the
98	owner's title policy and select the title agent. Selfer will pay fees for title searches prior to closing, including tax search and
99	lien search fees, and Buyer will pay fees for title searches after closing (if any), title examination fees and closing fees.
100	(d) Prorations: The following items will be made current and prorated as of the day before Closing Date: real estate taxes,
101	interest, bonds, assessments, leases and other Property expenses and revenues. If taxes and assessments for the current year
102	carprot be determined, the previous year's rates will be used with adjustment for any exemptions. PROPERTY TAX
103	DISCLOSURE SUMMARY: BUYER SHOULD NOT RELY ON THE SELLER'S CURRENT PROPERTY TAXES AS THE AMOUNT OF
104	PROPERTY TAXES THAT BUYER MAY BE OBLIGATED TO PAY IN THE YEAR SUBSEQUENT TO PURCHASE. A CHANGE OF
105	OWNERSHIP OR PROPERTY IMPROVEMENTS TRIGGERS REASSESSMENTS OF THE PROPERTY THAT COULD RESULT IN HIGHER
106	PROPERTY TAXES. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CONCERNING VALUATION, CONTACT THE COUNTY PROPERTY APPRAISER'S
107	OFFICE FOR FURTHER INFORMATION.  (e) Special Assessment by Public Body: Regarding special assessments imposed by a public body, Seller will pay (i) the full
108	amount of liens that are certified, confirmed and ratified before closing and (ii) the amount of the last estimate of the
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if an improvement is substantially completed as of Effective Date but has not resulted in a fien before closing, and Buyer will 111 117 pay all other amounts. If special assessments may be paid in installments Buyer | Seller (if left blank, Buyer) shall pay installments due after closing. If Seller is checked, Seller will pay the assessment in full prior to or at the time of closing. Public 113 body does not include a Homeowner Association or Condominium Association. 114 (f) Tax Withholding: If Seller is a "foreign person" as defined by FIRPTA, Section 1445 of the Internal Revenue Code requires 115 Buyer to withhold 10% of the amount realized by the Seller on the transfer and remit the withheld amount to the internal 31G Revenue Service (IRS) unless an exemption applies. The primary exemptions are (1) Seller provides Buyer with an affidavit 117 that Seller is not a "foreign person", (2) Seller provides Buyer with a Withholding Certificate providing for reduced or 119 119 eliminated withholding, or (3) the gross sales price is \$300,000 or less, Buyer is an individual who purchases the Property to use as a residence, and Buyer or a member of Buyer's family has definite plans to reside at the Property for at least 50% of the 120 number of days the Property is in use during each of the first two 12 month periods after transfer. The IRS requires Buyer and 121 122 Selier to have a U.S. federal taxpayer identification number ("TIN"). Buyer and Seller agree to execute and deliver as directed any instrument, affidavit or statement reasonably necessary to comply with FIRPTA requirements including applying for a TIN 123 within 3 days from Effective Date and delivering their respective TIN or Social Security numbers to the Closing Agent, if Seller 124 applies for a withholding certificate but the application is still pending as of closing, Euyer will place the 10% tax in escrow at 125 Seller's expense to be disbursed in accordance with the final determination of the IRS, provided Seller so requests and gives 126 Buyer notice of the pending application in accordance with Section 1445. If Buyer does not pay sufficient cash at closing to 127 meet the withholding requirement, Seller will deliver to Buyer at closing the additional cash necessary to satisfy the 128 requirement. Buyer will timely disburse the funds to the IRS and provide Seller with copies of the tax forms and receipts. 129 (g) 1031 Exchange: If either Seller or Buyer wishes to enter into a like-kind exchange (either simultaneously with closing or 130 after) under Section 1031 of the Internal Revenue Code ("Exchange"), the other party will cooperate in all reasonable respects 131 to effectuate the Exchange including executing documents; provided, however, that the cooperating party will incur no 132 liability or cost related to the Exchange and that the closing shall not be contingent upon, extended or delayed by the 133 PROPERTY CONDITION 134 135 6. LAND USE: Seller will deliver the Property to Buyer at the time agreed in its present "as is" condition, with conditions resulting from Buyer's inspections and casualty damage, if any, excepted. Seller will maintain the landscaping and grounds in 136 a comparable condition and will not engage in or permit any activity that would materially alter the Property's condition without 337 the Buyer's prior written consent. 138 (a) Flood Zone: Buyer is advised to verify by survey, with the lender and with appropriate government agencies which flood 120 zone the Property is in, whether flood insurance is required and what restrictions apply to improving the Property and 140 rebuilding in the event of casualty. 141 (b) Government Regulation: Buyer is advised that changes in government regulations and levels of service which affect 142 Buyer's intended use of the Property will not be grounds for canceling this Contract if the Feasibility Study Period has expired 143 or if Buyer has checked choice (c)(2) below. 144 (c) inspections: (check (1) or (2) below) 145 (1) Feasibility Study: Buyer will, at Buyer's expense and within \_\_\_\_\_ days from Effective Date (\*Feasibility Study 146 Period"), determine whether the Property is suitable, in Buyar's sole and absolute discretion, for 147\* use. During the Feasibility Study Period, Buyer may conduct a Phase I environmental 148\* assessment and any other tests, analyses, surveys and investigations ("Inspections") that Buyer deems necessary to 149 determine to Buyer's satisfaction the Property's engineering, architectural and environmental properties; zoning and 150 151

zoning restrictions; subdivision statutes; soil and grade; availability of access to public roads, water, and other utilities; consistency with local, state and regional growth management plans; availability of permits, government approvals, and licenses; and other inspections that Buyer deems appropriate to determine the Property's suitability for the Buyer's intended use. If the Property must be rezoned, Buyer will obtain the rezoning from the appropriate government agencies. Seller will sign all documents Buyer is required to file in connection with development or rezoning approvals,

Seller gives Buyer, its agents, contractors and assigns, the right to enter the Property at any time during the Feasibility Study Period for the purpose of conducting inspections; provided, however, that Buyer, its agents, contractors and assigns enter the Property and conduct inspections at their own risk. Buyer will Indemnify and hold Seller harmless from losses, damages, costs, claims and expenses of any nature, including attorneys' fees, expenses and liability incurred in application for rezoning or related proceedings, and from liability to any person, arising from the conduct of any and all inspections or any work authorized by Buyer. Buyer will not engage in any activity that could result in a construction lien being filed against the Property without Seller's prior written consent. If this transaction does not close, Buyer will, at Buyer's expense, (1) repair all damages to the Property resulting from the Inspections and return the Property to the condition it was in prior to conduct of the inspections, and (2) release to Seller all reports and other work generated as a result of the Inspections.

Buyer will deliver written notice to Seller prior to the expiration of the Feasibility Study Period of Buyer's determination of whether or not the Property is acceptable. Buyer's failure to comply with this notice requirement will constitute acceptance of the Property as suitable for Buyer's intended use in its "as is" condition. If the Property is unacceptable to Buyer and written notice of this fact is timely delivered to Seller, this Contract will be deemed terminated as of the day after the Feasibility Study period ends and Buyer's deposit(s) will be returned after Escrow Agent receives proper authorization from all interested parties. 11 12 31 31 Bar athilise Example Derivate ratiofied that the Bronsety is reitable for Drivate numbers individua hairs

172	X(2) No Feasibility Study: Buyer is satisfied that the Property is suitable for Buyer's purposes, including being
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installation of a well and/or private sewerage disposal system and that existing zoning and other pertinent regulations and restrictions, such as subdivision or deed restrictions, concurrency, growth management and environmental conditions, are acceptable to **Buyer**. This Contract is not contingent on **Buyer** conducting any further investigations.

(d) Subdivided Lands: If this Contract is for the purchase of subdivided lands, defined by Florida Law as "(a) Any contiguous land which is divided or is proposed to be divided for the purpose of disposition into 50 or more lots, parcels, units, or interests; or (b) Any land, whether contiguous or not, which is divided or proposed to be divided into 50 or more lots, parcels, units, or interests which are offered as a part of a common promotional plan.", Buyer may cancel this Contract for any reason whatsoever for a period of 7 business days from the date on which Buyer executes this Contract. If Buyer elects to cancel within the period provided, all funds or other property paid by Buyer will be refunded without penalty or obligation within 20 days of the receipt of the notice of cancellation by the developer.

7. RISK OF LOSS; EMINENT DOMAIN: If any portion of the Property is materially damaged by casualty before closing, or Seller negotiates with a governmental authority to transfer all or part of the Property in lieu of eminent domain proceedings, or if an eminent domain proceeding is initiated, Seller will promptly inform Buyer. Either party may cancel this Contract by written notice to the other within 10 days from Buyer's receipt of Seller's notification, failing which Buyer will close in accordance with this Contract and receive all payments made by the government authority or insurance company, if any.

#### TITLE

191 8. TITLE: Seiler will convey marketable title to the Property by statutory warranty deed or trustee, personal representative or 192 guardian deed as appropriate to Seller's status.

(a) Title Evidence: Title evidence will show legal access to the Property and marketable title of record in Seller in accordance with current title standards adopted by the Florida Bar, subject only to the following title exceptions, none of which prevent Buyer's intended use of the Property as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ covenants, easements and restrictions of record; matters of plat; existing zoning and government regulations; oil, gas and mineral rights of record if there is no right of entry; current taxes; mortgages that Buyer will assume; and encumbrances that Seller will discharge at or before dosing. Seller will deliver to Buyer Seller's choice of one of the following types of title evidence, which must be generally accepted in the county where the Property is located (specify in Paragraph 5(c) the selected type). Seller will use option (1) in Palm Beach County and option (2) in Miami-Dade County.

(1) A title insurance commitment issued by a Florida-licensed title insurer in the amount of the purchase price and subject only to title exceptions set forth in this Contract and delivered no later than 2 days before Closing Date.

(2) An existing abstract of title from a reputable and existing abstract firm (if firm is not existing, then abstract must be certified as correct by an existing firm) purporting to be an accurate synopsis of the instruments affecting title to the Property recorded in the public records of the county where the Property is located and certified to Effective Date. However if such an abstract is not available to Seller, then a prior owner's title policy acceptable to the proposed insurer as a base for reissuance of coverage. Seller will pay for copies of all policy exceptions and an update in a format acceptable to Buyer's closing agent from the policy effective date and certified to Buyer or Buyer's closing agent, together with copies of all documents recited in the prior policy and in the update. If a prior policy is not available to Seller then (1) above will be the title evidence. Title evidence will be delivered no later than 10 days before Closing Date.

(b) Title Examination: Buyer will examine the title evidence and deliver written notice to Seller, within 5 days from receipt of title evidence but no later than Closing Date, of any defects that make the title unmarketable. Seller will have 30 days from receipt of Buyer's notice of defects ("Curative Period") to cure the defects at Seller's expense. If Seller cures the defects within the Curative Period, Seller will deliver written notice to Buyer and the parties will close the transaction on Closing Date or within 10 days from Buyer's receipt of Seller's notice if Closing Date has passed. If Seller is unable to cure the defects within the Curative Period, Seller will deliver written notice to Buyer and Buyer will, within 10 days from receipt of Seller's notice, either cancel this Contract or accept title with existing defects and close the transaction.

(c) Survey: Buyer may, prior to Closing Date and at Buyer's expense, have the Property surveyed and deliver written notice to Seller, within 5 days from receipt of survey but no later than 5 days prior to closing, of any encroachments on the Property, encroachments by the Property's improvements on other lands or deed restriction or zoning violations. Any such encroachment or violation will be treated in the same manner as a title defect and Buyer's and Seller's obligations will be determined in accordance with subparagraph (b) above.

(d) Coastal Construction Control Line: If any part of the Property lies seaward of the coastal construction control line as defined in Section 161.053 of the Florida Statutes, Seller shall provide Buyer with an affidavit or survey as required by law delineating the line's location on the Property, unless Buyer waives this requirement in writing. The Property being purchased may be subject to coastal erosion and to federal, state, or local regulations that govern coastal property, including delineation of the coastal construction control line, rigid coastal protection structures, beach nourishment, and the protection of marine turtles. Additional information can be obtained from the Florida Department of Environmental Protection, including whether there are significant erosion conditions associated with the shoreline of the Property being purchased.

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holiday, performance will be due the next business day. All time periods will end at 5:00 p.m. local time (meaning in the county where the Property is located) of the appropriate day,

(c) Force Majeure: Buyer or Seller shall not be required to perform any obligation under this Contract or be liable to each other for damages so long as the performance or non-performance of the obligation is delayed, caused or prevented by an act of God or force majeure. An "act of God" or "force majeure" is defined as hurricanes, earthquakes, floods, fire, unusual transportation delays, wars, insurrections and any other cause not reasonably within the control of the Buyer or Seller and which by the exercise of due diligence the non-performing party is unable in whole or in part to prevent or overcome. All time periods, including Closing Date, will be extended (not to exceed 30 days) for the period that the force maleure or act of God is in place. In the event that such "act of God" or "force majeure" event continues beyond the 30 days in this sub-paragraph, either party may cancel the Contract by delivering written notice to the other and Buyer's deposit shall be refunded.

10. NOTICES: All notices shall be in writing and will be delivered to the parties and Broker by mail, personal delivery or electronic media. Buyer's failure to deliver timely written notice to Seller, when such notice is required by this Contract, regarding any contingencies will render that contingency null and void and the Contract will be construed as if the contingency did not exist. Any notice, document or item delivered to or received by an attorney or licensee (including a transaction broker) representing a party will be as effective as if delivered to or by that party.

11. COMPLETE AGREEMENT: This Contract is the entire agreement between Buyer and Seller. Except for brokerage agreements, no prior or present agreements will bind Buyer, Seller or Broker unless incorporated into this Contract. 256 Modifications of this Contract will not be binding unless in writing, signed or initialed and delivered by the party to be bound. This Contract, signatures, initials, documents referenced in this Contract, counterparts and written modifications communicated electronically or on paper will be acceptable for all purposes, including delivery, and will be binding. Handwritten or typewritten terms inserted in or attached to this Contract prevail over preprinted terms. If any provision of this Contract is or becomes invalid or unenforceable, all remaining provisions will continue to be fully effective. Buyer and Seller will use diligence and good faith in performing all obligations under this Contract. This Contract will not be recorded in any public records.

12. ASSIGNABILITY; PERSONS BOUND: Buyer may not assign this Contract without Seller's written consent. The terms "Buyer," " Seller," and "Broker" may be singular or plural. This Contract is binding on the heirs, administrators, executors, personal representatives and assigns (if permitted) of Buyer, Seller and Broker.

#### **DEFAULT AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION**

13. DEFAULT: (a) Seller Default: If for any reason other than failure of Seller to make Seller's title marketable after difficent effort, Seller fails, refuses or neglects to perform this Contract, Buyer may choose to receive a return of Buyer's deposit without waiving the right to seek damages or to seek specific performance as per Paragraph 14. Seller will also be liable to Broker for the full amount of the brokerage fee, (b) Buyer Default: If Buyer fails to perform this Contract within the time specified, including timely payment of all deposits, Seller may choose to retain and collect all deposits paid and agreed to be paid as liquidated damages or to seek specific performance as per Paragraph 14; and Broker will, upon demand, receive 50% of all deposits paid and agreed to be paid (to be split equally among Brokers) up to the full amount of the brokerage fee.

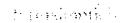
14. DISPUTE RESOLUTION: This Contract will be construed under Florida law. All controversies, claims, and other matters in question arising out of or relating to this transaction or this Contract or its breach will be settled as follows:

(a) Disputes concerning entitlement to deposits made and agreed to be made: Buyer and Seller will have 30 days from the date conflicting demands are made to attempt to resolve the dispute through mediation. If that fails, Estrow Agent will submit the dispute, if so required by Florida law, to Escrow Agent's choice of arbitration, a Florida court or the Florida Real Estate Commission ("FREC"). Buyer and Seller will be bound by any resulting award, judgment or order. A broker's obligation under Chapter 475. FS and the FREC rules to timely notify the FREC of an escrow dispute and timely resolve the escrow dispute through mediation, arbitration, interpleader, or an escrow disbursement order, if the broker so chooses, applies only to brokers and does not apply to title companies, attorneys or other escrow companies.

(b) All other disputes: Buyer and Seller will have 30 days from the date a dispute arises between them to attempt to resolve the matter through mediation, falling which the parties will resolve the dispute through neutral binding arbitration in the county where the Property is located. The arbitrator may not alter the Contract terms or award any remedy not provided for in this Contract. The award will be based on the greater weight of the evidence and will state findings of fact and the contractual authority on which it is based. If the parties agree to use discovery, it will be in accordance with the Florida Rules of Civil Procedure and the arbitrator will resolve all discovery-related disputes. Any disputes with a real estate licensee named in Paragraph 17 will be submitted to arbitration only if the licensee's broker consents in writing to become a party to the proceeding. This clause will survive closing.

(c) Mediation and Arbitration; Expenses: "Mediation" is a process in which parties attempt to resolve a dispute by submitting it to an impartial mediator who facilitates the resolution of the dispute but who is not empowered to impose a settlement on the parties. Mediation will be in accordance with the rules of the American Arbitration Association ("AAA") or other mediator agreed on by the parties. The parties will equally divide the mediation fee, if any. "Arbitration" is a process in which the parties resolve a dispute by a hearing before a neutral person who decides the matter and whose decision is binding on the parties. Arbitration will be in accordance with the rules of the AAA or other arbitrator agreed on by the parties. Each party to any arbitration will pay its own fees, costs and expenses, including attorneys' fees, and will equally split the arbitrators' fees and administrative fees of arbitration, in a civil action to enforce an arbitration award, the prevailing party to the arbitration shall be entitled to recover from the nonprevailing party reasonable attorneys' fees, costs and expenses.

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#### **ESCROW AGENT AND BROKER**

15. ESCROW AGENT: Buyer and Seller authorize Escrow Agent to receive, deposit and hold funds and other items in escrow and, subject to clearance, disburse them upon proper authorization and in accordance with Florida law and the terms of this Contract, including disbursing brokerage fees. The parties agree that Escrow Agent will not be liable to any person for misdelivery of escrowed Items to Buyer or Seller, unless the misdelivery is due to Escrow Agent's willful breach of this Contract or gross negligence. If Escrow Agent interpleads the subject matter of the escrow, Escrow Agent will pay the filing fees and costs from the deposit and will recover reasonable attorneys' fees and costs to be paid from the escrowed funds or equivalent and charged and awarded as court costs in favor of the prevailing party. All claims against Escrow Agent will be arbitrated, so long as Escrow Agent consents to arbitrate.

16. PROFESSIONAL ADVICE; BROKER LIABILITY: Broker advises Buyer and Seller to verify all facts and representations that are 309 important to them and to consult an appropriate professional for legal advice (for example, interpreting contracts, determining the effect of laws on the Property and transaction, status of title, foreign investor reporting requirements, the effect of property 311 lying partially or totally seaward of the Coastal Construction Control Line, etc.) and for tax, property condition, environmental and 317 other specialized advice. Buyer acknowledges that Broker does not reside in the Property and that all representations (oral, written or otherwise) by Broker are based on Seller representations or public records. Buyer agrees to rely solely on Seller, 314 315 professional inspectors and governmental agencies for verification of the Property condition and facts that materially affect Property value. Buyer and Seller respectively will pay all costs and expenses, including reasonable attorneys' fees at all levels, incurred by Broker and Broker's officers, directors, agents and employees in connection with or arising from Buyer's or 317 Seller's misstatement or failure to perform contractual obligations. Buyer and Seller hold harmless and release Broker and 316 Broker's officers, directors, agents and employees from all liability for loss or damage based on (1) Buyer's or Seller's misstatement or failure to perform contractual obligations; (2) Broker's performance, at Buyer's and/or Seller's request, of any 320 321 task beyond the scope of services regulated by Chapter 475, F.S., as amended, including Broker's referral, recommendation or retention of any vendor; (3) products or services provided by any vendor, and (4) expenses incurred by any vendor. Buyer and Seller each assume full responsibility for selecting and compensating their respective vendors. This paragraph will not relieve 323 324 Broker of statutory obligations. For purposes of this paragraph, Broker will be treated as a party to this Contract. This paragraph will survive closing.

17. BROKERS: The licensee(s) and brokerage(s) named below are collectively referred to as "Broker." Instruction to Closing Agent: Seller and Buyer direct closing agent to disburse at closing the full amount of the brokerage fees as specified in separate brokerage agreements with the parties and cooperative agreements between the brokers, except to the extent Broker has retained such fees from the escrowed funds. In the absence of such brokerage agreements, closing agent will disburse brokerage fees as indicated below. This paragraph will not be used to modify any MLS or other offer of compensation made by Seller or listing broker to cooperating brokers.

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# **EXHIBIT** "A"

PARCEL 1: RIVIERA LOT 6 (LESS SLY 64.40 FT) BLK 12

PCN: 56-43-42-33-06-012-0061

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# RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

2001 BROADWAY, SUITE 300 RIVIERA BEACH, FL 33404 PHONE: 561-844-3408 FAX: 561-881-8043 Website: www.rbcra.com

# **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Honorable Chair and Members, CRA Board of Commissioners

City of Riviera Beach, FL

FROM:

Tony Brown, CRA Executive Director

COPY:

J. Michael Haygood, CRA Attorney

DATE:

April 9, 2014

SUBJECT: Request for Approval of a Resolution to sell six partial lots owned by the Riviera Beach CRA to Inner City Youth Golfers' Incorporated for purposes of assisting them to locate a new community youth golfing center and African American Golfers and Youth Golfers Hall of Fame; offering an indoor and small outdoor golf skills, education and learning center.

# REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION:

The Agency is requesting Board Approval to enter into a 24 month options contract for the six remnant parcels owned by the Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency (RBCRA) to the Inner City Youth Golfers' Incorporated for \$12,000 subject to certain conditions being met before the transfer of ownership during the options period:

- Submittal of architectural rendering for CRA review and comment
- 2. Provide evidence of Site Plan approval from the City of Riviera Beach
- Provide evidence of construction funding for proposed project
- The option agreement provides that the purchaser has two years to complete the above during which time they will pay \$2,562 per year for the maintenance of the property which will be credited towards their purchase price if they close within the two year time frame

# CONSISTENCY WITH CRA POLICY & STATE STATUTES:

The adopted Community Redevelopment Plan authorizes the acquisition and disposition of property within the Community Redevelopment Area pursuant to Chapter 163, Part III, Florida Statutes (CRA Act). On January 6, 2014, the CRA published a Notice of Intention to Dispose of Real Property, and provided an invitation for proposals for acquisition of vacant and remnant properties mostly within the 13th Street corridor. The Agency does not require ownership of these properties to

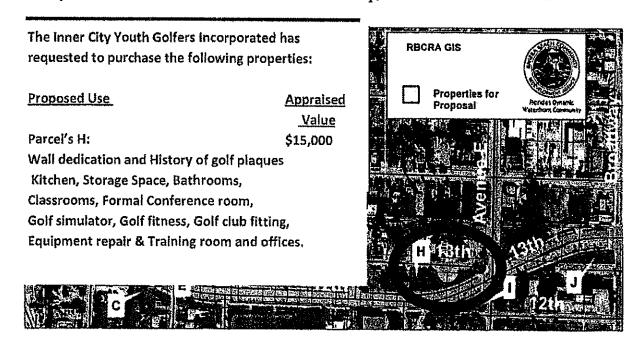
implement the approved Redevelopment Plan, and thus recommends that they be sold. Many of the properties

within the 13th Street corridor were remnants from the construction project to build a new 13th Street completed by the Port of Palm Beach.

### ABOUT THE SUBJECT PROPERTY:

The Agency received a proposal for six of the properties that were noticed in the Palm Beach Post from the Inner City Youth Golfers' Incorporated. No other proposals were received. The map below highlights the 6 properties that have been requested for purchase by the Inner City Youth Golfers' Incorporated for \$12,000.00. They are labeled as property "H". The Inner City Youth Golfers' Incorporated desires to develop a community youth golfing center and African American Golfers and Youth Golfers Hall of Fame; offering an indoor and small outdoor golf skills, education and learning center. The price offered is based upon the assessed value provided for the properties by the Palm Beach County Property Appraisers Office. This amenity, if deemed financially viable, would be a great complement to youth recreational services given the project's proximity to the Riviera Beach Boys and Girls Club.

The Agency had the state certified appraisal firm Anderson & Carr appraise the properties to determine the property market value in accordance with policies and procedures and they were assessed a value of \$15,000. The following Map and table highlights the properties requested by the Inner City Youth Golfers' Incorporated. The proposed \$12,000 purchase price is lower than the appraised value however it matches the property appraiser's assessed value. The proposed use for the property for a new community building featuring the African American Golfers, Youth Golfers Hall of Fame and a youth golfing learning center is in furtherance of the goals of the adopted redevelopment plan. The 24 month feasibility period will ensure that this recreational amenity and cultural asset is built. Otherwise ownership, will remain with the CRA.



The CRA Plan contains goals and objectives regarding the need for neighborhood stabilization; open space; commercial revitalization; projects designed for the reduction or prevention of crime; and projects designed for the prevention of the development or spread of slum and blight within the CRA area. The Inner City Youth Golfers' Incorporated proposed use of the properties meets these goals and objectives. The parcels have a combined land area of approximately 10,300 square feet.

#### ABOUT ICYG:

The Inner City Youth Golfers' Incorporated is funded from public and private sources: gifts, grants and donations from individuals; corporations; foundations; businesses; federal, state and local governments; and proposes to purchase the properties for the amount of \$12,000.

#### FISCAL IMPACT & BUDGET

Sale of the properties will reduce the Agency's annual property maintenance expenses by approximately \$2,562 per year and provide \$6,876 for future projects and programs.

#### RECOMMENDATION

The RBCRA is recommending approval of the Resolution authorizing the Executive Director of the Agency to enter into an options contract for the eventual sale of six parcels owned by the Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency (RBCRA) to the Inner City Youth Golfers' Incorporated pending resolution of the feasibility period to the mutual satisfaction of both parties.

# CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

**Meeting Date:** 2/8/2017

**Agenda Category:** 

REQUEST FOR BOARD APPROVAL OF MODIFICATIONS TO THE RIVIERA BEACH

Subject: COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY NEIGHBORHOOD INCENTIVES PROGRAM-

SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING BEAUTIFICATION PROGRAM

APPROVAL OF MODIFICATION TO THE RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY

REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY NEIGHBORHOOD INCENTIVES PROGRAM,

Recommendation/Motion: WITH A FY2017 BUDGET ALLOCATION OF \$300,000 FOR THE NEXT

ROUND OF FUNDING FOR THE SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING

BEAUTIFICATION PROGRAM.

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#### Background/Summary:

STAFF REQUESTS BOARD APPROVAL OF MODIFICATIONS TO THE RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY NEIGHBORHOOD INCENTIVES PROGRAM.

PURSUANT TO THE ADOPTED COMPREHENSIVE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN, THE AGENCY IS COMMITTED TO SUSTAINABLE, COMPREHENSIVE NEIGHBORHOOD REDEVELOPMENT. THIS STRATEGY IS A DIRECT RESULT OF THE DIRECTION FORGED FROM THE 2008 CITIZENS' MASTER PLAN AND THE NEW CRAPLAN, ADOPTED IN 2011. FROM THIS EFFORT EMERGED A VISION FOR THE RIVIERA BEACH CRA. KEY COMPONENTS OF THE PLAN CALLED FOR THE ADOPTION OF STRATEGIES FOR NEIGHBORHOOD INFILL AND RECLAMATION OF NEIGHBORHOODS, NOTABLE REVITALIZATION OF CRANEIGHBORHOODS. THIS BOARD PASSED RESOLUTION NO. 2015-13, ADOPTING A NEIGHBORHOOD INITIATIVES PROCEDURE MANUAL ON FEBRUARY 11, 2015. THIS BOARD PREVIOUSLY APPROVED AN ALLOCATION OF \$2,200,001.00 FOR NEIGHBORHOOD SERVICES, INCLUDING \$300,000.00 FOR THE SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING BEAUTIFICATION PROGRAM.

**Fiscal Years** 2017 **Capital Expenditures Operating Costs** \$300,000 **External Revenues** Program Income (city) In-kind Match (city) **Net Fiscal Impact NO. Additional FTE Positions** (cumulative) **III. Review Comments** A. Finance Department Comments: B. Purchasing/Intergovernmental Relations/Grants Comments: C. Department Director Review: Contract Start Date Contract End Date Renewal Start Date Renewal End Date Number of 12 month terms this renewal Dollar Amount Contractor Company Name Contractor Contact Contractor Address Contractor Phone Number Contractor Email Type of Contract Describe ATTACHMENTS: File Name Description **Upload Date Type** MODIFICATION TO THE RBCRA Memo-Neighborhood\_Incentive\_Grant\_Program.pdf NEIGHBORHOOD 2/1/2017 Cover Memo **INCENTIVES** PROGRAM MEMO **UPDATED** 

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**PROCEDURES** 

REVIEWERS:

Department	Reviewer	Action	Date
CRA	Hatcher, Darlene	Approved	2/1/2017 - 4:35 PM
CRA Internal Review	Evans, Scott	Approved	2/1/2017 - 4:36 PM



# RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

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# **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Honorable Chair and Members, CRA Board of Commissioners

City of Riviera Beach, Florida

FROM:

Scott Evans

Interim Executive Director, CRA

COPY:

J. Michael Haygood

General Counsel, CRA

DATE:

January 31, 2017

SUBJECT:

Request for Board Approval of Modifications to the Riviera Beach

Community Redevelopment Agency Neighborhood Incentives Program.

## REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

Staff requests Board approval of Modifications to the Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency Neighborhood Incentives Program.

### **BACKGROUND**

Pursuant to the adopted Comprehensive Redevelopment Plan, the Agency is committed to sustainable, comprehensive neighborhood redevelopment. This strategy is a direct result of the direction forged from the 2008 Citizens' Master Plan and the new CRA Plan, Adopted in 2011. From this effort emerged a vision for the Riviera Beach CRA. Key components of the plan called for the adoption of strategies for neighborhood infill and reclamation of neighborhoods, notable revitalization of CRA neighborhoods. This Board passed Resolution No. 2015-13, adopting a Neighborhood Initiatives Procedure Manual on February 11, 2015, attached as Exhibit A.

Staff is proposing several minor modifications to the program, more specifically:

✓ Changing the name of the House of Distinction Program to the Single-Family Housing Beautification Program, incorporating the former Beautification Program.

Among the strategies described in the redevelopment plan is the creation of a "toolbox" approach, which would give the Agency the greatest ability to serve the redevelopment needs of the community as they evolve over the remaining life of the Agency.

Among these suggested tools are:

- Direct financial incentives to generate new private development
- Direct financial incentives for property improvements
- · Interest subsidies on loans for property improvements
- Clean Up Program
- Landscaping/Streetscaping Programs
- Paint Up/Fix Up
- Residential Rehabilitation
- Residential Acquisition
- In Fill and New Housing Program
- Mortgage Subsidy Guarantee and Silent Seconds
- Secure Outside Funding Sources
- Providing Matching Funds for Grants
- Code Enforcement Enhancement
- Community Policing Innovation Activities

The Neighborhood Incentives Program embraces this toolkit approach and provides procedures and documentation processes for implementation of various programs. An implementation schedule is attached as Exhibit B. The goals of the Neighborhood Incentives Program are to provide a framework for revitalization of Riviera Beach Heights, Park Manor and other CRA neighborhoods.

#### NEIGHBORHOOD INCENTIVES TOOLKIT

Riviera Beach CRA currently has eight (8) Neighborhood Incentives Programs within its Toolkit. Others may be added from time to time:

- 1. Single Family Housing Beautification Program (f/k/a House of Distinction Program)
- 2. Properties of Distinction Program)
- 3. Deleted-Beautification Program (Incorporated in Single Family Housing Beautification Program)
- 4. Neighborhood Safety Initiatives
- 5. Demolition/Replacement Housing Program
- 6. Major Rehabilitation/Restoration Program
- 7. Acquisition (Re)Construction Program
- 8. Emergency Repair Program

#### FISCAL IMPACT

This Board previously approved an allocation of \$2,200,001.00 for Neighborhood Services, including \$300,000.00 for this program

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff requests Board approval of Modification to the Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency Neighborhood Incentives Program, with a FY2017 budget allocation of \$300,000.00 for the next round of funding.

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# **RBCRA Neighborhood Incentive Program Proposed Rollout**

Proposed Date	Task
February 8th	Submit Program Revisions & Roll-out Schedule to RBCRA Board of Commissioners
February 9 <sup>th</sup> – 28th	Prepare Collateral materials (brochures, flyers, webpage content, etc.)
Feb 15 <sup>th</sup> – Apr 24 <sup>th</sup>	Identify Points of Contact and disseminate collateral materials through Website, Churches, Daycare Centers, Restaurants, Convenience Stores, Community Centers, Boys and Girls Club, etc.
March 1 <sup>st</sup> – April 30th	Application Intake and Technical Assistance for Round II; Inspections and Work Write-ups
April 30 <sup>th</sup>	Round II Cutoff Date for Application Submission
May 1 <sup>st</sup> – May 30 <sup>th</sup>	Application Scoring & Incentive Underwriting
June 14 <sup>th</sup>	Submit Incentive Award Recommendations to RBCRA Interim Executive Director
Jun 15 <sup>th</sup> – Jun 30th	Execute Incentive Award Contracts with Incentive Recipients
Jul 15 <sup>th</sup> - Sep 30 <sup>th</sup>	Bid Process; Execution of Construction Contracts; Issuance of Notices to Proceed
Sep 1st – Feb 28th	Construction
Oct 1st – Mar 7th	Monitor Compliance and Closeout Projects
Mar 14th	Submit Final Project Report to the Board of Commissioners

# RESOLUTION NO. 2017-\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (THE AGENCY) AUTHORIZING THE 2017 SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING BEAUTIFICATION GRANT PROGRAM FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$300,000 DOLLARS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE APPROVED BUDGET; AND APPROVING THE 2017 NEIGHBORHOOD INCENTIVES PROCEDURE, AS REVISED, ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT "A"; DIRECTING AND AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO TAKE SUCH ACTIONS AS SHALL BE NECESSARY AND CONSISTENT TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT AND DESIRE OF THE AGENCY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, Chapter 163, Part III, Florida Statutes (Community Redevelopment Act) requires that community redevelopment plans provide for the development of affordable housing and improved property values within their development area; and

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WHEREAS, the Adopted Community Redevelopment Plan provides for the development of programs to encourage neighborhood redevelopment, programs to improve property values and the development of affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, on February 11, 2015, the Board approved the Neighborhood Incentives Procedure manual, which has been amended to reflect the proposed programs for 2017, in accordance with the approved budget; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY THAT:

**SECTION 1.** The Agency hereby authorizes the 2017 Single Family Housing Beautification Program for an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00, and approves the 2017 Neighborhood Incentives Procedure attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

**SECTION 2.** This resolution shall be effective immediately upon its adoption.

[The balance of the page intentionally left blank] [Signatures are on the following page]

# PASSED AND ADOPTED this \_\_\_ day of February 2017.

	RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
ATTEST:	By: Name: Title: Chairperson
Executive Director	
	Approved as to form and legal sufficiency
MOTION BY:	J. Michael Haygood Date 2 1 20
SECONDED BY:	J. Michael Haygood, PA  Generál Counsel to CRA
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# **Single Family Housing Beautification Program**

Program Funding: \$300,000

**Description:** The Single Family Housing Beautification Program will provide funding through the Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency (RBCRA) to eligible single family (one unit) homeowners to make exterior improvements to their property. Eligible improvements include fence replacement, painting, irrigation, landscaping, weatherization (windows and doors), roof repair/replacement, driveway repair and other minor exterior repairs to improve RBCRA identified key homes within the Community Redevelopment Area. Priority will be given to improvements that are necessary to correct health, safety, and code violations.

**Impact:** 25-30 Properties

Maximum Funding	Up to \$20,000		
Eligibility and Restrictions			
Income	Not Applicable		
Occupancy	Owner Occupied		
<b>Property Conditions</b>	Priority improvements are documented exterior health, safety, and/or code violations. * RBCRA reserves the right to limit grants relative to value of the property.		
Unit Type	Single family homes		
Location	Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Area Boundaries		
	Funding Terms		
Mortgage  Restrictive Covenant	<ul> <li>5-year forgivable loan, reduced by 20% each year.</li> <li>100% funding for fence replacement, irrigation, and exterior paint, and other similar façade and property improvements</li> <li>100% funding for roof repair.</li> <li>100% funding for flood mitigation/drainage.</li> <li>90% funding with 10% match for driveway repair.</li> <li>5 years</li> </ul>		
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Interest	0%		

Certain conditions may apply and all grants are subject to approval by the RBCRA Interim Executive Director.

#### Introduction

Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency (RBCRA) was established to "re-energize the faltering commercial district and create jobs, reduce crime, improve the appearance of the area, and the quality of life for those who live in and around the Community Redevelopment area" (City of Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Plan).

RBCRA's mission is to optimize the future value of property within the Community Redevelopment Area by creating a prioritized strategy for redevelopment, including investing in capital infrastructure that will support the CRA and improvements desired by the City and the residents of the community.

## **Program Objectives**

Riviera Beach Heights, a priority focus area, is a distressed low income neighborhood located within the Community Redevelopment Area. Due to the economic downturn and the real estate crisis, Riviera Beach Heights has experienced disinvestment and high levels of foreclosures which have led to a significant number of abandoned and derelict properties throughout the neighborhood. These properties, along with vacant properties, are contributing to neighborhood decline and instability which are negatively affecting the desirability of the community.

In an effort to avoid further decline, RBCRA implemented programs to provide assistance to homeowners, multi-family property owners, and business owners to rehabilitate distressed and vacant properties within Riviera Beach Heights and other RBCRA neighborhoods. These programs will improve the stability of the neighborhood and foster revitalization to improve the quality of life of residents.

The following are RBCRA's Program Requirements.

## **Property Eligibility and Selection**

All properties must be located within the Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Area. Each property rehabilitated as part of RBCRA's rehabilitation program must be single family homes, multi-family residences, and/or businesses. Properties are required to be insured (property/homeowners, including flood insurance, if located in a flood area.) Property taxes and mortgage must be current and not delinquent. RBCRA will not provide financial assistance outlined in these programs, to properties that are delinquent on taxes, delinquent on mortgage / loan payments, or in the foreclosure process.

All eligible properties within a target area are encouraged to submit an application for financial assistance. To increase RBCRA's impact within a neighborhood, RBCRA may identify properties adjacent to or near current and/or proposed infrastructure and facility improvements for financial assistance.

## **Eligible Applicants**

Applicants are required to submit a completed application. The application must be submitted with required documents as specified on the application. Applicant eligibility is based upon property eligibility.

The homeowner applicants are required to occupy the property as their primary residence.

# **Applicant Selection**

Applicants are selected and approved on a first come, first qualified, first served basis. Applications are time stamped and determinations of application submittal will be based on the time stamp. Priority will be given to homeowners with an immediate threat to health and safety.

# **Notice of Eligibility**

Approved applicants will be notified in writing of their eligibility. Approval/award letters are valid for a period of six (6) months from the date of the letter. Extensions of up to three (3) months may be granted at the discretion of the Director of Neighborhood Services. Extensions beyond three (3) months must be approved in writing by the Executive Director and/or the RBCRA Board.

Extensions will not be granted beyond 12 months.

## **Financial Assistance (Subsidy)**

RBCRA may provide eligible property owners financial assistance to be used towards the rehabilitation of their property. Financial assistance is given in the form of a forgivable loan to be used towards interior and exterior improvements per program guidelines.

The amount of financial assistance awarded will be based on the applicant's property rehabilitation needs and will not exceed 50% of the market value of the home as determined by the Palm Beach County's Property Appraiser. The minimum award is determined per program guidelines. The award amount is based on the actual costs and fees associated with the rehabilitation of the property. RBCRA may cap the amount of assistance awarded to the purchaser to avoid over subsidizing the property. Applicants may seek additional subsidy from Palm Beach County, State of Florida, or other subsidy programs. However, applicants might be required to invest their own funds towards the rehabilitation as a match contribution per program guidelines.

Applicants are not permitted to receive any funds directly or indirectly.

### **Affordability Period**

RBCRA's maximum affordability period shall not be longer than 30 years, contingent upon eligible property owners continuing to own the property. In the case of homeowners, the affordability period is contingent upon continuing to own and occupy the property as a principal residence for the full affordability period.

To ensure the affordability period is adhered to, the applicant will be required to execute a recapture provision in the form of a promissory note and mortgage or in the form of a restrictive covenant depending on program award per program guidelines. The terms of the promissory note and mortgage and restrictive covenant will coincide with the above established affordability period.

## **Mortgage and Promissory Note Terms**

Financial assistance will be provided in the form of a deferred payment, forgivable loan with a zero percent (0%) interest rate. The loan is deferred and payment will not be due unless the property owner fails to comply with ownership, occupancy requirements and/or defaults on any of the terms of the mortgage and/or note. The loan will be forgiven on the maturity date and a satisfaction of mortgage will be executed.

Repayment is required if one or more of the following occurs:

- Voluntary sale of the property prior to the loan maturity date
- Transfer of the title of the property other than a voluntary sale
- Failure to occupy the property as the principal residence during the affordability period (homeowner)
- Rental/lease during affordability period (homeowner)
- Fraud or misrepresentation

In the event of default, the homebuyer/applicant will be required to make a full repayment of the loan amount plus interest as stated in the mortgage and note.

Applicant (property owner), his/her spouse, and/or the co-owner must be sign the mortgage and note.

#### **Restrictive Covenant Terms**

Restrictive Covenants are to be utilized in the rare case when a second mortgage and note are not an appropriate method for adhering to the affordability period. The use of a restrictive covenant must be approved by the Executive Director or permitted as part of the program guidelines.

Restrictive Covenants will be for a term not to exceed 30 years. Property owners are required to comply with occupancy and re-sale requirements stated in the restrictive covenant. The restrictive covenant will terminate 30 years from the purchase date and a release of covenant will be executed.

Enforcement of the restrictive covenant will take place if one or more of the following occurs:

- Voluntary sale of the home prior to the restrictive covenant termination date
- Transfer of the title of the property other than a voluntary sale
- Failure to occupy the property as the principal residence during the affordability period (homeowner)
- Rental/lease during affordability period (homeowner)
- Fraud or misrepresentation

Applicant (property owner), his/her spouse, and/or the co-owner must sign the restrictive covenant.

#### Subordination

Subordination of the mortgage and note will be allowed in the following cases:

- Refinancing to pay for property related repairs or replacements to ensure the home is up to current City, County, State Building Codes and to correct damage to the home or eliminate any and all threats to health and safety
- Refinancing to pay for Barrier Free modifications to home (homeowner)
- Refinancing to lower the property owner's interest rate
- Refinancing to lower the monthly mortgage payment of the property owner
- Refinancing to assist with remedying a foreclosure.

Subordination of the mortgage and note will **not** be allowed under the following conditions:

- Refinancing to consolidate consumer debt (credit cards, car note, etc.) will not be permitted
- Loan terms which include a balloon or adjustable rate

A subordination request must be submitted to RBCRA in writing and must include the loan terms and circumstances of the refinance. A copy of the new loan commitment and appraisal must be submitted with the subordination request. Subordinations must be approved in writing by the Executive Director or his/her assigned delegate.

### Relocation

Relocation will not be provided as part of RBCRA programs except when required by law.

#### **General Contractor Selection**

General contractors must be approved through either RBCRA's procurement process, the City of Riviera Beach's procurement process, or Palm Beach County's procurement process. RBCRA will review and verify that the general contractors are licensed and insured to perform construction work.

General contractors who are unable to meet RBCRA expectations regarding timeframes and performance will be removed from the list of approved vendors and will be unable to participate in RBCRA's rehabilitation projects. General contractors removed from the approved vendors list will receive written notification.

A contract will not be awarded to general contractors with a suspended or expired license or contractors without appropriate insurance.

# **Initial Inspection and Specification (Scope of Work)**

All properties will require a home inspection to be carried out by the RBCRA inspector (consultant). The inspector will inspect the property for repairs and replacements needed in order for the property to be in compliance with State Building Codes, Local Building Codes, and Local Zoning Ordinances to ensure the health and safety of occupants. The inspector will also review the properties for violations of the State and Local Building Codes, such as non-conforming structures and work performed without permits.

The Neighborhood Services staff will review and approve final specifications based on the inspection. The specifications will include all repairs and replacements necessary to ensure that the property is up to current State and Building Codes and to eliminate any and all health and safety concerns, up to the maximum grant award. Every effort will be made by RBCRA and the inspector to prevent the need for change orders.

The specification will include improvements and products that will improve the energy and water efficiency of each property. Green standards will be achieved by replacing non-functioning products, fixtures, and appliances with Energy Star qualified products and appliances when possible. Water efficiency will be achieved through installing WaterSense labeled products when available. Every effort will be made to include energy saving techniques, products, fixtures, and appliances in the specifications to reduce the energy consumption of the property.

#### **Bid and Contract**

The general contractor with the lowest and most response bid will be awarded the contract. The contract will be based on specifications and bid submittal. Line items may be eliminated from the bid due to funding limitations.

The total cost of the contract may be reduced due to the elimination of line items from the specifications due to funding limitations. The contract must be based on the final approved line items. Contracts must be signed by the property owner(s).

## **Change Orders**

Specifications for each property are written to bring the property up to State and Local Building Codes and to ensure the health and safety of the occupants. The specification writer will identify all repairs and/or replacements necessary to eliminate any and all hazards. Unforeseen conditions or circumstances beyond the specification writers control might require the submittal of a change order by the contractor.

Change orders are not to be used by contractors as a way to add unnecessary work or increase the cost of an underpriced contract. To ensure the absolute necessity of work proposed in change orders the following steps are required prior to approval of the change order request.

- 1. All change orders must be submitted to the inspector for review.
- 2. The inspector will conduct an inspection of the property to investigate the area of concern.
- 3. The inspector will forward the change order request along with a written recommendation to Neighborhood Services staff.
- 4. The Director of Neighborhood Services will review the change order request and recommendation and either approve or deny the request.

In the case of an emergency, the contractors are permitted to receive a verbal approval for repairs/replacements costing less than \$1,500.00. Verbal approval must be received prior to proceeding with the emergency repairs or replacements. A change order request with a written explanation of the emergency situation must be submitted as soon as possible for approval. RBCRA will make every effort to approve an emergency request. An emergency is a repair or replacement that is an immediate threat to health, safety, and/or to prevent further damage. For example: A roof replacement that requires additional wood due to excessive wood damage is an unforeseen condition. The contactor cannot leave the roof exposed to the elements and must purchase the additional wood in order to complete the roof.

Change orders that do not increase the cost of the contract and do not change the basic specification may be approved by the Director of Neighborhood Services without an inspection and/or recommendation from the inspector.

General contractors must receive prior written approval of change order requests before proceeding with the additional work or changes. The contractor will not be paid or reimbursed for any work or changes that have not been previously approved or that are not considered an emergency repair or replacement.

Only the Director of Neighborhood Services can approve a change order, with final approval by the RBCRA Executive Director.

#### **Permits and Licenses**

All general contractors and sub-contractors are required to have all applicable licenses and insurance coverage and/or exemptions. A license from the Department of Business and Professional Regulations and/or from Palm Beach County, depending on the trade, is required. It

is the responsibility of the general contractor to ensure that all sub-contractors are licensed and insured. RBCRA will require all contactors to provide proof of General Liability coverage of at least \$1,000,000. General contractors will also be required to provide proof of Worker's Compensation Insurance and ensure that sub-contractors have the required coverage.

RBCRA will confirm licensing status with the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulations prior to contract award.

RBCRA will not process any draw requests or make any disbursements unless proper permits are filed and issued by the local building department. Final draw requests will not be approved or paid without submittal of permits, certificates of completion, and the work performed is approved by the RBCRA inspector and local building department (if applicable).

## **Draw Requests**

General contractors are required to request a minimum of two draws. All request for draws are to be based on the percentage of work completed. Draw requests must include the following:

#### First Draw

- 1. Payment Request Form.
- 2. Pictures of completed work.
- 3. Copy of permits for all work to be completed.
- 4. Recorded Notice of Commencement.
- 5. Release of lien for the amount of draw request.
- 6. Release of liens from sub-contractors, if applicable

#### Final Draw

- 1. Payment Request Form
- 2. Permits signed by local municipality building inspectors as complete.
- 3. Pictures of completed work.
- 4. Proof of Energy Star rating for appliances and proof of water conservation fixtures/products.
- 5. Release of lien for the total amount of rehabilitation work.
- 6. Release of liens from all sub-contractors.
- 7. Certificate of occupancy/completion by local municipality, if applicable
- 8. Warranties.

Prior to processing a draw request, the RBCRA inspector will inspect the residence to verify the percentage of work completed. Photos will be taken by the inspector during the inspection.

All draw requests must be approved by the RBCRA inspector and the Director of Neighborhood Services, with final approval by the RBCRA Executive Director.

## **Final Inspections**

A final inspection will be performed by the RBCRA inspector to determine whether the work performed was completed according to the scope of work. The final draw will not be processed if the final inspection determines that the rehabilitation work is not 100% complete. The general contractor is responsible for requesting and paying for subsequent final inspections.

## **Employees**

Employees and immediate relatives of RBCRA or RBCRA Board Members must disclose their employment and/or their relationship to employees in the application upon submittal. Employees and immediate relatives of RBCRA will not receive assistance without prior written permission from the Executive Director and/or the Board. Failure to acquire written permission might result in disqualification for financial assistance and/or might require the full repayment of the financial assistance provided.

Immediate relative is defined as spouse, child, step-child, brother, step-brother, sister, step-sister, parent, and step-parent. Relationships must be disclosed at the time of application submittal.

# **Policy Exceptions**

Policy exceptions will be considered on a case-by-case basis. The Director of Neighborhood Services will review each request and recommend either approval or disapproval to the Executive Director and/or the Board. Approvals and disapprovals will be provided in writing with an explanation. The decision to approve an exception must be based on the ability of RBCRA to approve the exception and whether approving the exception will increase the risk of RBCRA.

Exceptions that contradict State or Local Statutes or regulations will not be approved. Exceptions that contradict RBCRA funding regulations or stipulations will not be approved.

#### **Procedures**

The below procedures must be followed during the application, award, and rehabilitation process.

- 1. Applicant submits completed application with required personal, income, asset, and property documentation.
- 2. Income and assets are verified through documentation review and/or third party verification.
- 3. Income certification is completed and signed by property owner(s).
- 4. Written Notice of Award is provided to property owner(s).
- 5. Initial Inspection and Specification (Scope of Work) Request to be submitted to RBCRA inspector.

- a. Inspections to be completed and submitted to RBCRA within 10 business days.
- b. Specifications to be completed and submitted to RBCRA within 15 business days.
- 6. Specification (Scope of Work) will be provided to RBCRA approved general contractors to prepare and submit bids
  - a. Bids must be submitted to RBCRA within 10 days
  - b. Bids must be submitted without omissions
- 7. Notice of Bid Award
  - a. General contractor will be selected based on lowest most responsive bid
- 8. Contract negotiations and execution
  - a. Contract will be based on specification and bid submittal
  - b. Contracted work may be reduced due to funding limitations
  - c. Contract must be signed by property owner(s)
- 9. Change orders will be limited and must be reviewed by and approved by the RBCRA inspector as being necessary to complete previously agreed upon work and/or to address discovered threats to health and/or safety
- 10. Execution of Mortgage and Note or Restrictive Covenant
  - a. Mortgage and Note will be based on actual costs and fees associated with the rehabilitation of the property to include but not limited to inspections, specifications, cost of improvements, change orders, taxes, fees, surveys, etc.
- 11. Notice to Proceed will be issued upon receipt of executed contract and copy of proof of insurance and permit application (if applicable)
- 12. Draw requests and work progress
  - a. General contractor will submit the first (1<sup>st</sup>) draw request upon 50% completion of work
    - i. Must submit copy of building permit inspections (if applicable)
    - ii. Must submit general contractor partial lien release and sub-contractor lien releases (if applicable)
  - b. General contractor will submit the final draw request upon 100% completion of work
    - i. Must submit building permit with final Building Inspections
    - ii. Must submit general contractor lien release and sub-contractor lien releases (if applicable)
  - c. In progress inspection will be completed by RBCRA inspector to verify progress and satisfactory building permit inspections
- 13. General contractor payment will be made upon 50% and 100% completion with submittal of required documentation, lien releases, satisfactory inspection report, satisfactory building inspection (if applicable) and approval of property owner (approval of property owner may be waived in the event of an unsubstantiated dispute and with the approval of the Executive Director.)

# CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting Date:	2/8/2017
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**Agenda Category:** 

Subject: 2017 COMMERCIAL PROPERTY IMPROVEMENT GRANT

Recommendation/Motion: APPROVAL

Originating Dept INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Costs

User Dept. Funding Source

Advertised No Budget Account Number

**Date** 

**Paper** 

Affected Parties Not Required

### Background/Summary:

SEE ATTACHED

**Fiscal Years** 

**Capital Expenditures** 

**Operating Costs** 

**External Revenues** 

Program Income (city)

In-kind Match (city)

**Net Fiscal Impact** 

**NO. Additional FTE Positions** 

(cumulative)

### **III. Review Comments**

- A. Finance Department Comments:
- B. Purchasing/Intergovernmental Relations/Grants Comments:
- C. Department Director Review:

Renewal Start Date Renewal End Date Number of 12 month terms this renewal **Dollar Amount** Contractor Company Name Contractor Contact Contractor Address Contractor Phone Number Contractor Email Type of Contract Describe ATTACHMENTS: **File Name** Description **Upload Date Type** Memo.ComGrantPrograms.pdf **MEMO** 2/2/2017 Cover Memo Resolution.Comm.Grant.Final.pdf RESOLUTION 2/2/2017 Resolution **REVIEWERS**: Department Reviewer **Action Date** Approved CRA Hatcher, Darlene 2/2/2017 - 3:51 PM

Approved

2/2/2017 - 4:13 PM

Evans, Scott

Contract Start Date

Contract End Date

**CRA Internal Review** 



## RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

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# **MEMORANDUM**

TO:

Honorable Chair and Members, CRA Board of Commissioners

City of Riviera Beach, Florida

FROM:

Scott Evans

Interim Executive Director, CRA

COPY:

J. Michael Haygood

General Counsel, CRA

DATE:

February 1, 2017

SUBJECT: A Resolution approving the 2017 Commercial Grant Incentive Programs.

#### REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

The Agency is requesting the Board of Commissioners to approve a Resolution authorizing the 2017 Commercial Property Improvement Grant Incentive Programs for an amount not to exceed \$350,000 dollars in accordance with the approved budget, and amending the Economic Incentive Procedures Manual, adopting the 2017 Incentive Underwriting Criteria (Attached as Exhibit A) for the 2017 programs.

#### BACKGROUND / SUMMARY

On January 11, 2017, the CRA Board considered the proposed Commercial Grant Incentive programs and requested that the program be amended to promote and incentivize the inclusion of surveillance and outside lighting equipment, and also to encourage the utilization of project workers from Youth Employment Programs. The programs underwriting criteria have been amended to include these preferences.

Pursuant to the adopted Comprehensive Redevelopment Plan, and the CRA Plan adopted in 2011, the 2017 Commercial Incentive Program will include grant incentives to encourage the private sector to undertake redevelopment within the Community Redevelopment Area. This program was last offered by the Agency in 2013, and will return as key component of an incremental strategy to promote redevelopment of our existing commercial properties.

The two approved programs are the Property Improvement Incentive Program, and the Beautification Incentive. The Property Improvement Incentive Program will provide Business and

Property Owners with grants of up to \$40,000 dollars to make property and façade improvements to their business and property. The program requires a 1:4 match for local property owners and provides bonus points for projects that have a 1:1 match or greater. The process for the program will start with a series of meetings and workshops to notify both local contractors and the eligible business and commercial property owners that the program is starting, and provide assistance in applying and participating in the program. The completed applications will be evaluated and ranked and presented to the CRA Board for approval based on the amount of available funds. The review process will verify that all applicants are fully compliant with the grant guidelines. All approved commercial incentive projects will be required to follow all city codes and regulations.

The Commercial Beautification program provides up to \$4,000 dollars for visual exterior improvements to commercial property. The improvements are for painting, installation of surveillance equipment, minor parking lot repair, signage and landscaping. The program allows the CRA to fund up to 100% of these small projects up to a maximum contribution of \$4,000.00 dollars.

The Agency passed Resolution No. 2012-02, adopting an Economic Development Incentives Procedure Manual Neighborhood Initiatives Procedure Manual on January 25, 2012, and completed a total of two rounds of the program between 2010 and 2014.

The 2017 program will include evaluation criteria for the applications that will promote high quality projects that utilize Riviera Beach based contractors and sub-contractors. The Evaluation Criteria is attached as Exhibit A.

Attached as background are the program elements of the board approved Manual that will be included in our proposed 2017 program offering.

#### FISCAL IMPACT & SCHEDULE

The Agency Board approved the budget for this program of \$350,000 in the annual budget. The program will take approximately one year to complete beginning with a community outreach to identify local contractors, and to notify local business and property owners to participate in the program, followed by a ranked application process, CRA Board approval, construction, and project close-out.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends Board approval of a Resolution authorizing the 2017 Commercial Property Improvement Grant Incentive Programs to include the Property Improvement Incentive Program, the Properties of Distinction Program, and the Beautification Incentive for 2017, and the Evaluation criteria attached as Exhibit A.

## 2.1 Property Improvement Incentive Program

#### 2.1.1 Program Description

The Property Improvement Incentive Program awards grant funds to improve commercial real property under competitive criteria. The program focus is on improving the property located along the major right-of-way corridors in the CRA. The applicant is required to invest a minimum of \$10,000 for improvements to building and/or site for a maximum CRA award of \$40,000. The applicant will be eligible for a grant from the CRA for up to \$40,000 based on \$1 private for every \$4 in public funds match criteria. The Board reserves the right to increase or decrease the award amount; including any amount approved for leverage; providing that such changes are communicated prior to Marketing & Intake Procedures (explained below).

The Property Improvement Incentive is designed to eliminate blighted conditions by incenting commercial property owners to make exterior improvements. The grant can serve as a match or be used to leverage other economic development incentives programs offered by others (loans, grants or investments).

### 2.1.2 Marketing & Intake Procedures

- Each round will open with RBCRA announcing the Application Period (no less than 60-days). In addition to publishing this program's features on the CRA's website and program brochures, RBCRA will initiate outreach efforts through staff and consultants (if applicable) to commercial realtors and business organizations such as Chambers of Commerce, Business Development Boards, Economic Councils, Regional Planning Councils and local Business Networking Groups to market this program.
- 2. RBCRA staff will request that the applicants (owners/managers of the prospective properties) complete an Application Packet that staff will use as a part of the initial assessment process. The assessment process includes reviews of:
  - A Sources & Uses worksheet that explains, in detail, how the project will be financed (see Appendix A-11)
  - Evidence of sustainability: An existing business must show two or more years of profitable operations in Riviera Beach at the Incentive Location. A new business will be required to present financial projections.
  - Engineering Plans & Specifications (that demonstrate that the technical aspects of the project are compliant with the City's regulations and that they will facilitate successful execution of the Business Model); renderings and designs of the project's architectural elements, etc. The RBCRA reserves the right to require improvements to be consistent with architectural guidelines if established in the target area as a condition for the grant funds.
  - Copies of Business Licenses, Certifications, Registrations, etc.

- Written communication from the City of Riviera Beach's Planning & Zoning Department indicating that the project is consistent with the City's Zoning & Land Use regulations.
- 3. Each application will be assigned a RBCRA staff person (or consultant) who will serve as its "designated project manager" and ensure that the application is processed expeditiously and that the applicant is kept informed throughout the various stages of processing the application
- 4. RBCRA Staff will form a Selection Review Committee to consist of no less than five members who are appointed by the Executive Director and may consist of staff, consultants or volunteers. Each applicant will undergo a review by no less than two reviewers (one staff and one external reviewer). Any anomaly in score will be reviewed by the Executive Director and adjusted based on the Selection Criteria and Underwriting Guidelines outlined below.

#### 2.1.3 Selection Criteria

The Property Improvement Incentive challenges its applicants to achieve a high threshold of performance in order to be eligible for an award. A Highly Qualified Applicant must achieve a minimum aggregate score of "60" to the extent that funds are available. The RBCRA staff will present a list of applicants from the highest score to the least for the Board's review and approval. The Program's selection criteria shall include:

- An Eligibility Checklist. This review consists of a pre-requisite set of criteria that deems the Applicant qualified to proceed for competitive review (property is located in the CRA; evidence of a business entity; and no adverse lawsuits or unpaid fines against the City or CRA).
- 2. <u>Project Criteria.</u> This section assesses the project's impacts: the degree to which it eliminates blight, increase tax revenues and is located in Board approved Redevelopment Priority Areas.
- 3. <u>Community Development Impacts:</u> Bonus points are allocated to the extent that the business provides goods & services for industry targets set by the Board.
- 4. Economic Impacts: Bonus points are allocated for jobs created or retained; evidence that business pays a higher or livable wage; evidence that business is recruiting applicants through PBC Workforce Alliance or Riviera Beach Mayor's Initiative; addresses targeted economic conditions set by the Board such as juvenile delinquency; and evidence that contractors domiciled in Riviera Beach are performing the improvements.

### 2.1.4 Underwriting Guidelines

See the Appendix

### 2.1.5 Approval Procedures

- 1. Application Process All applicants are strongly encouraged to meet with CRA staff in order to determine eligibility before submitting an application. Funding requests will not be considered until all required documentation is submitted to the CRA office. Application packets must include the following documentation:
  - a) Completed/executed application
  - b) Copy of executed multi-year commercial lease or proof of ownership
  - c) Business plan, including executive summary and three-year financial projections of revenues and expenses
  - d) 3-year historical financials (as applicable)
  - e) List of all jobs to be relocated to or created in the Riviera Beach CRA. Include qualifying jobs as well as non-qualifying jobs. Also, include brief job descriptions, salaries and benefits
  - f) Schedule of proposed Eligible Reimbursable Costs
  - g) Additional items as required in the Application Form
- 2. Approval of Funding Request Once eligibility is verified and all required documentation has been submitted, CRA staff will present the funding request to the CRA Board of Commissioners for approval. Staff will notify the applicant and landlord of approval, if granted.
- 3. Grant Agreement Following approval of the Grant Application by the CRA Board of Commissioners, the CRA and the Applicant shall negotiate and enter into a Grant Agreement which will clarify the terms and conditions of the PDI Grant, subject to the approval of the CRA Board of Commissioners.
- 4. Grant Payments Subject to the terms and conditions of the Grant Agreement, reimbursement will be made within ninety days from the CRA receiving the following:
  - a) Invoices and proof of payment for Eligible Reimbursable Costs
  - b) Certificate of Occupancy or Certificate of Completion (if construction was involved)
  - c) Verification that the jobs are in place including payroll records.

Alternatively, it is within the CRA Director's discretion to authorize that partial grant payments be issued on a draw schedule so as to facilitate the timely completion of some of the approved projects (see the Business Incentive Payment Checklist form below).

- Site Visits CRA staff will conduct a site visit before grant payment is made in order to verify that the business is in operation. Staff may also conduct unannounced site visits periodically in order to ensure compliance with the terms of the grant agreement.
- 6. Reporting By accepting the grant, the applicant agrees to comply with any reporting procedures deemed necessary by CRA staff to verify that the required job

positions are properly fulfilled and maintained. Reporting may include, but is not limited to, payroll records, work schedules, and reporting forms.

#### 2.1.6 Disbursement & Compliance Procedures

- 1. RBCRA will provide stewardship over the project and ensure that its plans review and approval processes get placed on the "fast track" within City Hall.
- 2. RBCRA will provide further project management involvement in terms of grant/incentive administration, interaction with City Departments (example: Police & Sanitation) on behalf of the property, marketing support, and other forms of technical support as needed.
- 3. As stipulated in the project agreement, RBCRA will release funds to the client on a reimbursement basis at the completion of the entire project (upon examination of the project's Certificate of Occupancy) or pursuant to processing each draw request (see Draw Request Form in Appendix A-10) in an expeditious manner (within ten working days).
- 4. RBCRA staff will perform monitoring exercises at least three times per year to record the applicant's compliance with the grant's requirements (i.e. job creation/retention, use of local contractors, etc.). The monitor will formally report the applicant's level of compliance to the RBCRA Director, and will also report any corrective action plans that the applicant has committed to implementing in order to achieve the agreed upon compliance goals in the grant agreement.

## 2.5 Beautification Incentive

## 2.5.1 Program Description

This program awards funds for visual (exterior) improvements to commercial real estate property. These improvements are for painting, parking lot resurfacing, signage, and landscaping, etc. Labor and materials may be contributed by the CRA in lieu of grant funds or a portion of the grant award. Maximum CRA grant awards cannot exceed \$4,000. The **Beautification Incentive Program** was established by the CRA to encourage existing building owners or operators to improve the exterior of their buildings to provide "curb appeal." The program allows the CRA to fund 100% of the cost to paint, landscape and/or pressure cleaning an existing building with the Riviera Beach CRA, up to \$4,000. Property or business owners must submit a completed application accompanied by two estimates from licensed painters or landscapers and, if the grant request is part of a larger project, a total project budget. To be considered, an applicant must achieve an aggregate application score of "60" points to be considered qualified – see Underwriting Guidelines.

## 2.5.2 Marketing & Intake Procedures

- 1. Each round will open with the RBCRA announcing the Application Period (no less than 60-days advance notice). In addition to publishing this program's features on the CRA's website and on program brochures, the CRA's staff will initiate outreach efforts to targeted businesses, property owners and associations.
- 2. The applicant will select two color choices—building and trim (recommended color palette options are available upon request.), and secure detailed proposals from two licensed and insured painters. The CRA reserves the right to require the applicant to chose urban design or architectural standards approved by the CRA Board for the area, if applicable.
- 3. See Section 2.1.2 for additional details.

#### 2.5.3 Selection Criteria

Eligible structures include commercial buildings within the CRA. Business must be properly licensed and approved by the City of Riviera Beach.

The following structures, expenses and projects will be automatically ineligible for assistance:

- ✓ Structures not located within the CRA District
- ✓ Trailers and other mobile/temporary structures
- ✓ Painting and pressure cleaning projects started prior to approval of application by CRA Board
- ✓ Projects done without the proper City approvals or licenses
- ✓ Projects using colors not approved by the Riviera Beach CRA and the City's Planning and Zoning Department.

#### 2.5.4 Underwriting Guidelines

See the Appendix

## 2.5.5 Approval Procedures

- 1. After processing the application, staff will forward it to the CRA board for final approval
- 2. After the application receives final approval, the applicant will be contacted and told to move forward with the project.

## 2.5.6 <u>Disbursement & Compliance Procedures</u>

- 1. Reimbursement will not be provided for projects completed before the application for assistance is approved.
- 2. To receive reimbursement, the applicant must submit: a copy of the work contract signed by both the vendor and the applicant, a copy of the work permit from the City of Riviera Beach, and proof of payment in the form of front and back of the cancelled check showing that the applicant has paid for at least 50% of the project.
- 3. The CRA will reimburse the applicant directly for up to 50% of the project costs the CRA will not pay paint contractors directly; payment of contractors is the sole responsibility of the applicant.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2017-\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (THE AGENCY) AUTHORIZING THE 2017 COMMERCIAL PROPERTY IMPROVEMENT GRANT INCENTIVE PROGRAM AND THE COMMERCIAL BEAUTIFICATION PROGRAM FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$350,000 DOLLARS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE APPROVED BUDGET; APPROVING THE 2017 INCENTIVE UNDERWRITING CRITERIA ATTACHED AS EXHIBIT "A"; DIRECTING AND AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO TAKE SUCH ACTIONS AS SHALL BE NECESSARY AND CONSISTENT TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT AND DESIRE OF THE AGENCY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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WHEREAS, Chapter 163, Part III, Florida Statutes (Community Redevelopment Act) requires that community redevelopment plans provide for strategies for the redevelopment of property within the boundaries towards the goal of increasing property values within the redevelopment area; and

WHEREAS, the Adopted Community Redevelopment Plan provides for the use of property improvement grants as a strategy to improve property values, and promote redevelopment with the redevelopment area; and

WHEREAS, on January 25, 2012, the Board approved the Economic Development Incentives Procedure manual, providing guidelines for a "toolkit" of future Incentives including the Commercial Property Improvement Grant Incentive program and the Commercial Property Beautification program; and

WHEREAS, staff recommends that the Agency authorize the Property Improvement, and Beautification Programs, adopt the "2017 Incentive Underwriting Criteria" attached hereto as Exhibit A, and amend the Economic Development Incentives Procedure manual accordingly.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY THAT:

**SECTION 1.** The Agency hereby authorizes the 2017 Property Improvement Grant Program and Commercial Beautification Program for an amount not to exceed \$350,000 dollars, and approve the "2017 Incentive Underwriting Criteria attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

**SECTION 3.** The Chairman and Executive are hereby directed to take such action as is necessary to carry out the desire and intent of this resolution.

## **SECTION 3.** This resolution shall be effective immediately upon its adoption.

## PASSED AND ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_ day of February 2017.

•	RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
ATTEST:	By: Name: Title: Chairperson
Executive Director	
	Approved as to form and legal sufficiency
MOTION BY:	
SECONDED BY:	J. Michael Haygood, PA General Counsel to CRA
T. DAVIS L. HUBBARD D. PARDO T. DAVIS K. MILLER ANDERSON	

Riviera Beach CRA Economic Incentives Underwriting Criteria <sup>1</sup>				
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Criteria	Evaluation		on	Notes
The Applicant/Business	<u>Yes</u>	No	N/A	
Eligibility Checklist:  1) Venture will be located in the CRA  2) Licenses:  1) Proof of Legal Business Entity 2) Proof of Tax Identification 3) Proof of Occupational License 4) Proof of any Professional Licenses/Credentials required 3) City/CRA Attorney Records Search – no evidence of a lawsuit 4) Property Appraisal Records – no evidence of unpaid property taxes				Completeness: Pass/Fail
laxes	Not			
<ul> <li>5) Lien Search / Adverse Records:</li> <li>a) Dunn &amp; Bradstreet</li> <li>b) City Clerk Property Records Search <sup>5</sup></li> <li>c) Police Dept. Records Search <sup>5</sup></li> </ul>	Advers a) 0 p b) 10 p c) 10 p	se A ts a) ts b)	dverse 0 pts 0 pts 0 pts	<sup>5</sup> Discretionary to determine if improvements will address the adverse conditions (Acutely adverse situations could result in a 5-point deduction)
6. Three or more years of operation in Riviera Beach	5 points		S	
The Project				
Elimination of Blight:     a) Improves a dilapidated, deteriorated, aged or obsolete structure or roof; or internally improves mechanical system, plumbing, and HVAC system	a) 5 – 20 points			See Blight Table below
<ul> <li>b) Addresses safety &amp; security challenges by adding lighting &amp; surveillance cameras<sup>6</sup></li> <li>c) Addresses adverse environmental conditions</li> </ul>	b) 5 - 10 points c) 5 - 10 points			Maximum points will only be awarded to applicants who commit to making the video footage from the surveillance cameras

<sup>1</sup> Applicable to Property Improvement, Properties of Distinction, Business Relocation Assistance, Rental Assistance, and Beatification Incentive Programs. Modifications in award selection criteria may apply and is explained in the Agency's Economic Incentives Procedural Manual.

Riviera Beach CRA Economic Incentives Underwriting Criteria <sup>1</sup>			
~ · ·	Max. Points/	-	
Criteria	Evaluation	Notes	
2. TIF Increase:		available to RBCRA's Police Department	
a) Proof that the applicant's investment in in the project is at least a dollar for dollar (1:1) to the CRA's investment.	10 points		
Community Development Impacts Attraction of Goods & Services:			
<ul> <li>a) Healthy Food Choices (Grocery Stores, health-conscious eateries, etc.)</li> <li>b) Health Care Services (Medical, Dental, Elder Care, etc.)</li> <li>c) Retail &amp; Leisure (dine-in restaurants, cultural arts</li> </ul>	5 points	Points based on primary industry code or organization mission if the applicant is a not-for-profit.	
establishments, etc.) d) Hospitality (Hotels, themed establishments, cruise lines, destination spas, etc.) e) Education (Charter Schools, Childcare, Youth Programs) f) Marine Industry			
g) Green Industry (Solar, Green Batteries, Energy Mgmt. Companies, etc.) Youth Employment Bonus: a) If applicant hires 2 or more youths from the Summer Youth Employment Program to work on the renovations associated with its project.	10 points		
Economic Impacts Jobs Created/Retained: New Business, Relocation or Expansion: a) enterprise hires 5 employees or more b) evidence that at least 20% the enterprise's employees (nonowners) have salaries above the Living Wage (\$11 per hour) c) evidence of the utilization of Career Source Palm Beach County's Job Training Incentive Programs 7	5 points 5 points 5 points	<sup>7</sup> Employed Worker Training, On-the-Job Training, Incumbent Worker Training, and The Quick Response Training Program	

Riviera Beach CRA Economic Incentives Underwriting Criteria <sup>1</sup>			
	Max. Points/		
Criteria	Evaluation	Notes	
<ul> <li>Existing Business Impact:</li> <li>a) More than four (4) employees residing in Riviera Beach</li> <li>b) Evidence that at least 20% the enterprise's employees (nonowners) have salaries above the Living Wage (\$11 per hour)</li> </ul>	5 points 5 points		
Contractor Selection: Evidence that contractor(s) domiciled in Riviera Beach received work (valued at 25% or more of total contract) on the improvements done on the project.	10 points		
Evidence that contractor(s) domiciled in Riviera Beach received work (valued at 50% or more of total contract) on the improvements done on the project.	20 points		

<sup>\*</sup> An application has to achieve a minimum score of 10 points in the Applicant/Business Eligibility Checklist to be eligible for consideration to receive an incentive.

## Blight Criteria

Points Assigned →	0 - 5	6 - 10	11 - 15
Location:			
On a major corridor	n/a	✓	n/a
On a secondary corridor	✓	n/a	n/a
Condition of Building & Site:			
Shell is dilapidated	n/a	n/a	✓
Shell is aged/deteriorated	n/a	✓	n/a
Unattractive/Cosmetic Blemishes	✓	✓	n/a
Attractive/Cosmetic	✓	n/a	n/a

## CITY OF RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY

Meeting	Date:	2/8/2017
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**Agenda Category:** 

Subject: ON THE JOB TRAINING INCENTIVE PROGRAM

Recommendation/Motion: APPROVAL

Originating Dept INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Costs

User Dept. Funding Source

Advertised No Budget Account Number

**Date** 

**Paper** 

Affected Parties Not Required

### Background/Summary:

SEE ATTACHED

Fiscal Years 2017

**Capital Expenditures** 

Operating Costs \$100,000

External Revenues
Program Income (city)
In-kind Match (city)
Net Fiscal Impact

**NO. Additional FTE Positions** 

(cumulative)

#### **III. Review Comments**

- A. Finance Department Comments:
- B. Purchasing/Intergovernmental Relations/Grants Comments:
- C. Department Director Review:

Contract Start Date			
Contract End Date			
Renewal Start Date			
Renewal End Date			
Number of 12 month terms this r	enewal		
Dollar Amount			
Contractor Company Name			
Contractor Contact			
Contractor Address			
Contractor Phone Number			
Contractor Email			
Type of Contract			
Describe			
ATTACHMENTS:			
File Name	Description	Upload Date	Туре
On_the_job_training_memo.pdf	ON THE JOB TRAINING INCENTIVE PROGRAM MEMO	2/2/2017	Cover Memo
Resolution.OJT.Fnl.pdf	ON THE JOB TRAINING INCENTIVE PROGRAM RESOLUTION	2/2/2017	Resolution
REVIEWERS:			
Department	Reviewer	Action	Date
CRA	Hatcher, Darlene	Approved	2/2/2017 - 4:37 PM
CRA Internal Review	Evans, Scott	Approved	2/2/2017 - 4:38 PM



## RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

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# <u>MEMORANDUM</u>

TO: Honorable Chair and Members, CRA Board of Commissioners

City of Riviera Beach, Florida

FROM: Scot

Scott Evans

Interim Executive Director, CRA

COPY:

J. Michael Haygood

General Counsel, CRA

DATE:

January 6, 2017

SUBJECT: A Resolution approving the 2017 On-the-Job Training Incentive Program.

## REQUEST FOR BOARD ACTION

The Agency is requesting the Board of Commissioners to approve a Resolution authorizing the 2017 On-the-Job Training Incentive Program for an amount not to exceed \$100,000 dollars. This is a new economic development program designed to create new job opportunities for local residents and assist local businesses to expand and train their workforce.

#### **BACKGROUND / SUMMARY**

The Agency passed Resolution No. 2012-02, adopting an Economic Development Incentives Procedure Manual on January 25, 2012. The new grant program will be added to the Manual and implementation of the 2017 program will begin following approval.

The program provides financial assistance to employers for training eligible new hires to effectively perform their jobs. The Riviera Beach program will work closely with CareerSource Palm Beach County to provide an enhanced program for Riviera Beach residents and businesses.

Local businesses may be eligible for reimbursement of a percentage of wages paid to eligible new employees who are hired through CareerSource Palm Beach County and Complete the Riviera Beach CRA component of the program. The On-the-Job Training program has a proven track record of helping to increase work skills for new employees who are capable of transferring their skills and adapting to a new environment.

#### **Key Features**

- Hire, then train, workers for jobs that pay a minimum of \$15.00 per hour
- Reimbursements are calculated at up to 75% percent of the pay rate for the agreed-upon training period.
- Training, which closes the gap between applicant skills and job requirements, is provided by the employer at the job site while the trainee is engaged in productive work
- Funds help to offset lower productivity levels that are commonly related to a new employee

## **Employer Commitments**

To be eligible, local businesses must be one of the programs targeted industries or hiring a position related to the targeted industries, be financially stable, in business for a minimum of one year, have a "bricks and mortar" location, and agree to:

- Sign an On-the-Job Training agreement and adopt a training plan PRIOR to applicant's start date
- Provide occupational training so that employee participants are successful and retained as full-time employees
- Provide state-required workers' compensation, or general liability insurance
- Pay employee-participants the same wages and benefits as other employees in comparable positions

#### FISCAL IMPACT & SCHEDULE

The Board approved Fiscal Year 2016/2017 Budget included funding for a Job Training grant program in the amount of \$100,000.00 This program would utilize those available funds accordingly.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

Staff recommends Board approval of a Resolution authorizing the 2017 On-The-Job Training Incentive Program.

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2017-\_\_\_

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (THE AGENCY) AUTHORIZING THE 2017 "ON THE JOB TRAINING INCENTIVE PROGRAM" FOR AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$100,000 DOLLARS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE APPROVED BUDGET; DIRECTING AND AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO TAKE SUCH ACTIONS AS SHALL BE NECESSARY AND CONSISTENT TO CARRY OUT THE INTENT AND DESIRE OF THE AGENCY; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

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WHEREAS, Chapter 163, Part III, Florida Statutes (Community Redevelopment Act) requires that community redevelopment plans provide for strategies for the redevelopment of property within the boundaries towards the goal of increasing property values within the redevelopment area; and

WHEREAS, the Adopted Community Redevelopment Plan provides for the use of property improvement grants as a strategy to improve property values, and promote redevelopment with the redevelopment area and economic development; and

WHEREAS, on January 25, 2012, the Board approved the Economic Development Incentives Procedure manual, providing guidelines for a "toolkit" of potential Incentives, and staff recommends expanding the toolkit by adding the "On the Job Training Program" and amending the Economic Development Incentives Procedure manual accordingly.

BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY THAT:

<u>SECTION 1.</u> The Agency hereby authorizes the 2017 "On the Job Training Program" for a total amount not to exceed \$1,00,000 dollars with \$5,000 maximum gross wages reimbursement per employee as set forth in Exhibit "A" and amending the Economic Development Incentives Procedure Manual accordingly.

**SECTION 2**: The Chairman and Executive Director are hereby directed to take such actions as shall be necessary and consistent to carry out the intent and desire of the Agency.

**SECTION 3.** This resolution shall be effective immediately upon its adoption.

# PASSED AND ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_ day of February 2017.

	RIVIERA BEACH COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
ATTEST:	By: Name: Title: Chairperson
Executive Director	
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	Approved as to form and legal
MOTION BY:	
SECONDED BY:	Date 2 2 001 J. Michael Häygood, PA General Counsel to CRA
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## Exhibit A

**Economic Development Incentive** 

## 2.6 On-the-Job Training Incentive Program

### 2.6.1 Program Description

New or existing non-retail businesses in the City of Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) may be eligible for an incentive known as the Onthe-Job-Training Incentive Program (OJT). This incentive will be instituted to accelerate commercial development in the CRA Redevelopment Area, create jobs that support other activities and to increase the supply of jobs in Riviera Beach. Targeted projects may include companies from the following industries:

- ✓ Communications/Information Technology
- ✓ Life Science
- ✓ Logistics Companies
- ✓ Business / Financial Services
- ✓ Clean Energy
- ✓ Green Technologies & Manufacture
- ✓ Boat Building/Maintenance
- ✓ Corporate Headquarters

This incentive targets full-time jobs (2,080 hours per year) that pay at least \$15.00 per hour.

The incentive is paid out over the benefit period (in quarterly installments) to hiring companies that are based within the CRA Redevelopment Area. The amount of the total grant contributed by the CRA to each grant recipient (hiring company) is a reimbursement of 25% of the gross training wage for the hiring company's trainee for that trainee's first six months of employment up to an aggregate total of \$5,000 for each trainee.

Only applicants (hiring companies that are based within the CRA Redevelopment Area) that are approved by Career Source Palm Beach County are eligible for this grant (see Appendix I for a description of Career Source's On-the-Job-Training Grant).. Applications to the OJT program will be accepted commencing on March 1st, 2017. The Riviera Beach CRA will initially budget a maximum of \$100,000 for this program, and reserves the right to adjust this figure based on the demand for the incentive.

## 2.6.2 <u>Marketing & Intake Procedures</u>

 In addition to publishing this program's features on the CRA's website and on its brochures, the CRA's staff will meet with the leading commercial realtors, presidents of: the Chambers of Commerce, Business Development Boards, Economic Councils, Regional Planning Councils, and Business Networking Groups to market this program.

- 2. RBCRA will collaborate with Career Source Palm Beach County on this task RBCRA will refer potential applicants (hiring companies) to Career Source Palm Beach County so that they can participate in Career Source's OJT Grant Program. If the applicants qualify for Career Source's OJT Grant Program, Career Source will share information about RBCRA's OJT Incentive, and it will encourage those applicants to apply for RBCRA's incentive in addition to their OJT Grant Program. The application process will be seamless (RBCRA will accept a copy of the same application form that Career Source Palm Beach County utilizes.
- RBCRA staff will disseminate an application form that is very similar to CareerSource Palm Beach County's Application form for this incentive, and it will process the applications and make recommendations as to the eligibility of each applicant.

## 2.6.3 Selection Criteria

- 1. Business must be properly licensed and approved by the City of Riviera Beach.
- 2. Businesses that do not report employees' wages are not eligible for assistance under the OJT.
- 3. CRA Staff will only entertain applications from businesses that are within the targeted industries. Retail Businesses, Bank Branches, Restaurants, bars, and/or entertainment venues are not eligible for assistance under the OJT.
- 4. In order to qualify for funding under the OJT Program the qualifying jobs must be either New Jobs or Relocated Jobs, defined as follows:
  - A New Job must be full time (minimum of 2,080 hours annually) and shall: be created in the Riviera Beach CRA District and add to the City's total job base; add incrementally to the company's payroll; result in a net increase in the number of employees of the Applicant Company; and involve only a new employee (a Riviera Beach resident) working on-site at the company's facility that is located in the Riviera Beach CRA District. A New full time or equivalent job may include permanent salaried and leased employees. All jobs must be located in the Riviera Beach CRA.
  - A Relocated Job involves full time (minimum of 2,080 hours annually) positions currently identified on the company's payroll that are being relocated to the Riviera Beach CRA District, and shall: add to the City's total job base; and involve only an employee working on-site at the new company's facility that is located in the Riviera Beach CRA District. A Relocated Job may include permanent salaried and leased employees that can prove residency in Riviera Beach. A Relocated Job excludes an existing employee of an Applicant Company located in other areas of the City of Riviera Beach.

### 2.6.4 <u>Underwriting Guidelines</u>

This process will be a "carbon copy" of Career Source Palm Beach County's underwriting process.

#### 2.6.5 Approval Procedures

- Once eligibility is verified and all required documentation has been submitted, CRA staff will present the funding request to the CRA Board of Commissioners for approval. Staff will notify the applicant of approval, if granted.
- Following approval of the Grant Application by the CRA Board of Commissioners, the CRA and the Applicant shall negotiate and enter into a Grant Agreement which will clarify the terms and conditions of the OJT Grant, subject to the approval of the CRA Board of Commissioners.

### 2.6.6 <u>Disbursement & Compliance Procedures</u>

- 1. Grant Payments Subject to the terms and conditions of the Grant Agreement, the OJT grant shall be paid out over the designated benefit period, in quarterly installments. Each payment will be done as a 25% reimbursement of the Gross Training Wage paid out to the trainee in the preceding quarter.
- 2. Site Visits CRA staff will conduct a site visit before grant payments begin in order to verify that the business is in operation. Staff may also conduct unannounced site visits periodically in order to ensure compliance with the terms of the grant agreement.
- 3. Reporting By accepting the grant, the applicant agrees to comply with any reporting procedures deemed necessary by Career Source Palm Beach County staff to verify that the required job positions are properly fulfilled and maintained.
- 4. RBCRA staff will perform monitoring exercises at least twice per year to record the applicant's compliance with the grant's requirements (i.e. job creation/retention, use of local contractors, etc.). The monitor will formally report the applicant's level of compliance to the RBCRA Director, and will also report any corrective action plans that the applicant has committed to implementing in order to achieve the agreed upon compliance goals in the grant agreement.

## APPENDIX I



# On-the-Job Training

Funded through CareerSource Palm Beach County, On-the-Job Training provides financial assistance to employers for training eligible new hires to effectively perform their jobs.



Your business may be eligible for reimbursement of a percentage of wages paid to eligible new employees who are hired through CareerSource Palm Beach County. The On-the-Job Training program has a proven track record of helping to increase work skills for new employees who are capable of transferring their skills and adapting to a new environment.

## **Employer Benefits**

- Financial reimbursement to employers for the gross training wage during the training period (up to six months)
- Possible tax incentives and credits
- Free recruitment and pre-screened referrals of candidates for the position
- Reduced hiring and training costs

# **Key Features**

- Hire, then train, workers
- Reimbursements are calculated at 50 percent of the pay rate for the agreed-upon training period
- Training, which closes the gap between applicant skills and job requirements, is provided by the
  employer at the job site while the trainee is engaged in productive work
- Funds help to offset lower productivity levels that are commonly related to a new employee
- Public, private and non-profit organizations are eligible to participate

# **Employer Commitments**

To be eligible, your organization must be financially stable, in business for a minimum of one year, have a "bricks and mortar" location, and agree to:

- Sign an On-the-Job Training agreement and adopt a training plan PRIOR to applicant's start date
- Provide occupational training so that employee participants are successful and retained as full-time employees
- Provide state-required workers' compensation, or general liability insurance
- Pay employee-participants the same wages and benefits as other employees in comparable positions
- Not use the On-the-Job Training program to fill openings that were created by a lay-off or displacement in the previous 120 days