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Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency Meeting

City of Riviera Beach Council Chambers

2nd Floor, Municipal Complex

600 West Blue Heron Boulevard

Riviera Beach, Florida

Wednesday, April 25, 2018

6:00 p.m. to 6:54 p.m.

APPEARANCES:

Chair Tonya Davis Johnson

Vice Chair Lynne Hubbard

Commissioner Julia Botel

Commissioner KaShamba Miller-Anderson (by phone)

Attorney Michael Haygood

Interim Executive Director Scott Evans

Administrative Assistant Tamara Seguin

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1 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Good evening. I'd like to call the
2 Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency meeting of April
3 25th, 2018, to order.

4 Madam Clerk, roll call, please.

5 (Upon roll call by Administrative Assistant Tamara Seguin, the
6 following were present: Chair Tonya Davis Johnson, Vice Chair
7 Lynne Hubbard, Commissioner Julia Botel, Commissioner KaShamba
8 Miller-Anderson (by phone). Also present: Interim Executive
9 Director Scott Evans, Attorney Michael Haygood.)

10 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

11 We will stand for a moment of silence, followed by the
12 Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Botel.

13 (Moment of silence, followed by the Pledge.)

14 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Any person who would like to speak on
15 an agenda item, please fill out a blue public comment card
16 located in the back of the council chambers and give it to staff
17 prior to the item being taken up by CRA Board of Commissioners
18 for discussion.

19 Members of the public shall be given a total of three
20 minutes to speak on all items listed on the consent agenda.
21 Members of the public will be given three minutes to speak on
22 each regular agenda item. In no event will anyone be allowed to
23 submit a public comment card and speak on an agenda item after
24 the resolution or item is considered.

25 Are there any additions and deletions?

1 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: No, Madam Chair.

2 Chair -- I mean TD Davis did send me a message just that he is
3 away supporting Suncoast track team as they are at the state
4 qualifiers.

5 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

6 Are there any disclosures by commission and staff?

7 VICE CHAIR HUBBARD: No, Madam Chair.

8 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Entertain a motion to adopt the
9 agenda.

10 VICE CHAIR HUBBARD: So moved.

11 COMMISSIONER BOTEL: Second.

12 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: It's been moved and properly
13 seconded.

14 Madam Clerk.

15 THE CLERK: Commissioner Botel.

16 COMMISSIONER BOTEL: Yes.

17 THE CLERK: Commissioner Miller-Anderson.

18 COMMISSIONER MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

19 THE CLERK: Vice Chair Hubbard.

20 VICE CHAIR HUBBARD: Yes.

21 THE CLERK: Chair Davis Johnson.

22 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes.

23 THE CLERK: Motion carries.

24 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you. On to regular business,
25 Madam Clerk.

1 THE CLERK: Quarterly updates, staff updates.

2 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: For this quarterly
3 update the Clean and Safe program, which is managed by Rod
4 McLeod and Neimah Spence, they prepared an update on their
5 services and some of the different programs that they're
6 proceeding with and going to be expanding, like our Neighborhood
7 Watch.

8 And I believe Rod McLeod will begin.

9 MR. HAYGOOD: I think we made an error. Are we going to do
10 the consent agenda?

11 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes, we did.

12 Okay. I'll entertain a motion to approve the consent
13 agenda.

14 COMMISSIONER BOTEL: So moved.

15 VICE CHAIR HUBBARD: Second.

16 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: It's been motioned and properly
17 seconded.

18 THE CLERK: Commissioner Botel.

19 COMMISSIONER BOTEL: Yes.

20 THE CLERK: Commissioner Miller-Anderson.

21 COMMISSIONER MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

22 THE CLERK: Vice Chair Hubbard.

23 Vice Chair Hubbard: Yes.

24 THE CLERK: Chair Davis Johnson.

25 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes.

1 THE CLERK: Motion carries.

2 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

3 MR. McLEOD: Good evening, Madam Chair and Commissioners.

4 Rod McLeod, Manager of Community Safety Initiative and
5 Public Safety Officer for the CRA.

6 Tonight I'm going to give you an overview of the Clean and
7 Safe program.

8 The areas of responsibility that we have are the Broadway
9 corridor, Blue Heron corridor, 13th Street corridor, Riviera
10 Beach Heights, Ocean Mall, and Marina Village.

11 The Clean and Safe team is responsible for sweeping all the
12 sidewalks within the CRA; pressure washing the sidewalks;
13 pressure washing the flat bridge twice a week; picking up litter
14 in the major thoroughfares; acting as ambassador concierge
15 service; providing business assistance to PD intervention;
16 providing homeless assistance; landscaping very, very few CRA
17 lots; and all of our ambassadors are trained in first aid, CPR.

18 At Ocean Mall we do trash litter pick up within the CRA
19 boundaries; provide parking assistance during weekends,
20 holidays, summer months, and special events that occur at the
21 beach; provide a walking buddy, ambassador concierge service, up
22 until 11:00 at night, and 12:00 on weekends; provide business
23 assistance to the PD, and provide intervention; provide homeless
24 assistance; assist Parks and Rec by locking the park restrooms
25 every evening. And, again, our ambassadors are all trained.

1 At Marina Village we provide shuttle service within the
2 Marina Village. We pick up trash and litter in the marina, both
3 the parking lots and the overflow lots, three times a day. We
4 do parking management. We provide a walking buddy service. We
5 provide Marina Village events set up and take down. We clean
6 the outdoor restrooms four times a day. Rake the beach daily.
7 Provide business assistance and PD intervention. And provide
8 homeless assistance.

9 In the Event Center we are basically doing everything, from
10 setting up, taking down, doing the day porter work, helping
11 visitors at the Event Center set up their events with the AT
12 system.

13 The Clean and Safe initiative. From 2013 to 2016 we spent
14 almost \$250,000 to install CCTV cameras and portable license
15 plate readers within the CRA. We also now have 53 cameras
16 located within Marina Village and inside the Event Center.

17 In 2015 we distributed 257 SmartWater kits in Riviera Beach
18 Heights. And we are currently distributing 300 more throughout
19 the CRA. And we've expanded our sign, which is our Neighborhood
20 Watch sign and SmartWater logo sign, north of 22nd Street.

21 In March 10th of this year, the Clean and Safe team in
22 conjunction with the Red Cross, the CDC, the Fire Department,
23 and over 70 volunteers, we installed 100 smoke detectors and
24 visited 209 homes within Riviera Beach Heights to check their
25 smoke detectors.

1 Neimah Spence is going to go over the Neighborhood Watch
2 Program next.

3 Business Watch Program. The goal is to actively reduce
4 crime through business communication and education. Our
5 objectives and outcomes address business issues within the CRA
6 and business community, build partnership and communication
7 between the police and the businesses. We've established an
8 E-Watch program between the businesses, Clean and Safe, and
9 police. And what this is is a combination e-mail, combination
10 text, where we can communicate to all the businesses.

11 Our membership goal is to have all businesses large and
12 small within the CRA become an active participant. We hold
13 bimonthly meetings the second Tuesday of every month. And this
14 is the logo our businesses display in the window.

15 Our ambassadors. Over 50 percent of our ambassadors are
16 Riviera Beach residents. All the ambassadors go through four
17 weeks of training, both classroom and OJT. We cross train all
18 of our ambassadors on everything. We promote from within.
19 Three of our ambassadors have been promoted to supervisors, and
20 one has been promoted to a financial administrator. And our
21 training goal is to teach strong work ethics, teach customer
22 service skills, basic equipment maintenance, use of landscape
23 and building cleaning equipment. We are really a jobs
24 incubator.

25 And with that I'll be glad to answer any questions you

1 have.

2 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Are there any questions?

3 Thank you. There are no questions.

4 MR. SPENCE: Good evening, Madam Chair, Commissioners.

5 My name is Neimah Spence. I'm the operations manager for
6 the Riviera Beach CRA Clean and Safe program.

7 This evening's presentation is an overview of our
8 Neighborhood Watch Program and our expansion of the Neighborhood
9 Watch Program.

10 Neighborhood Watch is a crime prevention program that
11 enlists the active participation of residents and cooperation
12 with law enforcement, to reduce crime, solve problems, and
13 improve the quality of life in our community.

14 Our purpose and objective is to increase the community's
15 role in crime prevention; community involvement to educate the
16 public about crime and crime prevention; and to reduce incidents
17 of burglary, theft or any other property crimes.

18 When I started this program I wanted to ensure that it
19 really encompassed all the needs of the community. So we had
20 our targeted area, which was the Riviera Beach Heights
21 community. And what I did, I went door-to-door and I met with
22 the residents; and also we had hall meetings with the residents;
23 and their concern was burglaries, robberies, and theft.

24 So I met with the Riviera Beach Police Department to come
25 up with strategies, how we can help fit this into our

1 Neighborhood Watch programs. So we went over our crime stats
2 within our targeted areas to ensure that we was on the right
3 page with what we was doing. So we came up with our SmartWater
4 Neighborhood Watch strategy that we implemented in the Riviera
5 Beach Heights community.

6 SmartWater. SmartWater is a traceable liquid applied to
7 deter theft and identify offenders. It's a non-hazardous liquid
8 that leaves a long lasting and unique identifier. And it's
9 invisible to the naked eye, but you can see it under ultraviolet
10 lights. This crime prevention tool has proven to reduce
11 burglaries and robberies in the community.

12 But what we did, we posted Neighborhood Watch and
13 SmartWater signs at every entrance leading into the Riviera
14 Beach Heights community. And we started our phase one. The
15 Clean and Safe program purchased over 300 SmartWater kits, where
16 we distributed to the residents free of charge. The ambassadors
17 went door to door and gave out SmartWater kits along with
18 instructions on how to use the SmartWater. And also we helped
19 with the registration of the SmartWater, so we could enter it
20 into our database. We gave out 257 units of SmartWater.

21 And one of the things we wanted to do to see was this
22 strategies working. So every month I met with the Riviera Beach
23 Police Department. We went over crime stats. And it was
24 amazing how crime decreased with the SmartWater, the signs, and
25 our Neighborhood Watch Program that was implemented.

1 But not only was the SmartWater successful, we had a lot of
2 successful programs that the Neighborhood Watch Program was
3 involved with. We had a Back to School Bash that we have every
4 year where we give out school supplies and backpacks. We also
5 added a kids' safety component to that.

6 And one of the best things that we had, that I feel, was
7 our trip to Port St. Lucie. What we did, we rented a charter
8 bus and we took 18 of our Neighborhood Watch members to Port St.
9 Lucie to the All Lives Matter conference. And after the
10 conference we, on our ride back, we discussed some of the things
11 that we learned. And it really re-energized us when we came
12 back; it gave us the tools that we needed to make our connection
13 with the police by talking to them, having them come to
14 different meetings. So that was a great event.

15 Also partnered with a lot of our organizations and
16 non-profits and we collected toys that we gave away to some of
17 our residents.

18 And also we had our first annual Neighborhood Watch award
19 ceremony, where we gave out awards to our outstanding citizens.
20 One of them was Ms. Margaret Shepherd, for her tireless giving
21 to the Neighborhood Watch Program and other activities around
22 the community. Also we gave awards to Miss Willie Watson, who
23 runs Healthy Food, Healthy Living. She allowed us to have some
24 of our meetings at her facilities, and she's very gracious. The
25 Riviera Beach Police Department, Major Spencer Rozier, we also

1 gave him for helping to bridge the gap between the residents and
2 the police department.

3 So these are some of the successful things that we did with
4 our Neighborhood Watch Program.

5 But we're not finished yet.

6 Now we're starting with our Neighborhood Watch expansion,
7 where we passed out invites to residents within our targeted
8 areas. And we had our meeting on January 25th of this year, at
9 the Event Center; where we got an opportunity to speak with some
10 of the residents to really see their interest in the expansion
11 of the Neighborhood Watch Program. And we had a lot of interest
12 in that.

13 So our Neighborhood Watch SmartWater expansion. We're
14 going to start with the distribution of the SmartWater next
15 month, which is May, and our boundaries is east to west from
16 Lake Shore Drive to Avenue H west, and north and south from 22nd
17 Street to Silver Beach Road.

18 The benefits of the Neighborhood Watch Program. It unites
19 the community, it's increased neighborhood cohesion. One of the
20 things that I do at every one of my meetings, I ask a simple
21 question. And that question is, do you know your neighbor. And
22 you would be surprised. You may know your next door neighbor,
23 but a lot of us do not know who lives behind us or who lives in
24 front of us. So we have to bridge that gap and begin to get to
25 know each other. And what that would do, that will help us

1 reduce crime in our community. And also at every Neighborhood
2 Watch meeting we have a member of law enforcement, whether it's
3 a major, sergeant, or one of the zone officers, so they would
4 give insight on different things that may be occurring on their
5 watch. So that gives the citizen the ability to meet with --
6 meet with the officers, voice their concerns, and they'll be
7 able to answer some of the questions that maybe I won't be able
8 to answer. And what it does, the main important thing, it
9 creates a strong partnership with law enforcement.

10 Building participation. Every Neighborhood Watch resident
11 can help. The young people can pick up litter and take part in
12 our specialized children's safety programs. The youth can teach
13 the younger children how to stay safe. Citizens can observe
14 from their homes and make calls to police; if you see it, report
15 it. Everyone can have a responsibility, whether it is big or
16 small. This is our community, so we have to take our community
17 back.

18 Here's some of our upcoming events. We already spoke about
19 our Neighborhood Watch expansion, our SmartWater give away.
20 During some of our meetings in the last couple of months a lot
21 of the neighbors had concerns about their neighborhood. Their
22 neighborhood, you know, was trash everywhere. But I explained
23 to them, we have to take responsibility, we have to take our
24 neighborhood back. So we're organizing a neighborhood clean-up.
25 And we're going to go from neighborhood to neighborhood so we

1 can clean up our neighborhood and take responsibility for
2 ourselves.

3 Our Neighborhood Watch Back to School Bash is going to be
4 bigger than ever. We're going to have more sponsors. We're
5 going to do more things for the kids. It's just going to be
6 something amazing.

7 And also what some of the residents wanted was like a
8 Neighborhood Watch expansion type picnic or safety walk. So
9 we'll get an opportunity to get out in the neighborhoods, do a
10 little patrolling, look for things, show them things that are
11 suspicious, show them how they'll be able to report suspicious
12 incidents to the Riviera Beach Police Department. And also,
13 when we do these walks we will notify the police department, let
14 them know what area we're in, just in case something happens,
15 they'll know that we're out there and will be able to respond
16 quicker.

17 And also we're going to have our second annual Neighborhood
18 Watch Awards Ceremony. Which we're looking for this to be
19 bigger and better. We have to show our residents they are
20 appreciated for what they do in helping keep their neighborhoods
21 safe.

22 There's no such thing as instant community. It takes a
23 great deal of work for a group of strangers to achieve the
24 safety of true community. So we have to become known to each
25 other, not be strangers, in order for us to build how we need to

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1 build. True community is fellowship. That's why we're coming
2 together as a community. That's why we're doing the things that
3 we need to do to bring us together, to make us stronger.

4 Community is integrative. When integrated into a whole, it
5 is more effective. So, again, we have to become one in order to
6 be strong.

7 The basic equation in an effective Neighborhood Watch
8 Program is communication and integration.

9 And if anyone needs to get in contact with me to sign up
10 for the Neighborhood Watch, my phone number is 561-693-1171; or
11 I can be reached by e-mail at NSpence@rbcra.com.

12 Thank you.

13 Any questions?

14 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Are there any questions?

15 COMMISSIONER BOTEL: What's the date of the Back to School
16 Bash?

17 MR. SPENCE: We haven't came up with that date yet. But
18 we're putting together partners because I want it to be big and
19 I want it to be for our kids and our community. So as soon as I
20 get the dates, I'll make sure that I put everything out with an
21 e-mail blast; and I'll also put it on Channel 18.

22 Thank you.

23 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Okay.

24 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: That concludes that
25 update.

1 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: On to the next item, Madam Clerk.

2 THE CLERK: A resolution of the Board of Commissioners of
3 the Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency approving the
4 seventh amendment to the lease for office space between the
5 Agency and Millennium One, LLC, landlord; providing an effective
6 date.

7 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Is there a motion?

8 VICE CHAIR HUBBARD: So moved.

9 COMMISSIONER BOTEL: Second.

10 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: It's been moved and properly
11 seconded.

12 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: This is a one-year
13 extension --

14 THE CLERK: Excuse me. I just have to call the roll call.
15 Or not the roll call --

16 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Presentation first.

17 THE CLERK: Oh. Okay. I'm sorry.

18 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: That's okay.

19 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: This is at the same rate
20 as we had last year. The agreement that we approved last year
21 had two one-year options to renew. The rate that it's at
22 currently is the market rate. The city did a study when they
23 did their new five-year lease for similar space at the Port
24 Center; they had an average rate of \$18 per square feet. So our
25 rate of \$17.80 is a fair and market rate. It's the same rate we

1 paid last year. And we would propose to extend this just for
2 one more year per the option in the agreement. And long-term we
3 would be looking at eventually creating new space or co-locating
4 our space with the new city facilities once that process begins.

5 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Are there any questions?

6 Public comment?

7 THE CLERK: Bonnie Larson.

8 MS. LARSON: Question about the -- oh, I love the podium
9 over here. Thank you.

10 Question about the rental at the BB&T Bank. Have they
11 started that, the facade on the outside? I saw -- they're slow.
12 It's been almost a year. But I did see things on the roof like
13 they were maybe going to fix it. So I am hopeful. So if you
14 know a date on that, that would be wonderful. They really,
15 really overextended themselves with that.

16 The CRA building itself. We have several -- a lot of
17 offices within our space, and we have multiple conference rooms
18 in there, and I know we have some vacant spots. My question is:
19 Can we combine some of that empty space with some of our other
20 facilities which are overflowing? And I was thinking today as I
21 was driving here, we have a Clean and Safe, but those guys are
22 out on the street, they really don't need an office themselves.
23 And there's a lot of little offices over there in that place.
24 And we spend like three to five thousand dollars a month on that
25 place -- yeah -- for renting that space for them. So I'm

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1 wondering can we move them over, at least Mr. Neimah Spence and
2 Mr. McLeod, can we move them over to the BB&T building to use
3 some of the space so that we're not paying all that money out to
4 the one on Blue Heron? We don't want to just move them and then
5 we're still paying over there. But I mean we need to think
6 about that because we do have some space at the facility where
7 we are now.

8 Thank you.

9 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you. Do you --

10 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: Yes, I can respond.

11 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

12 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: The rebuilding --
13 actually, I'm excited to announce that they're not just going to
14 repair the building that we're currently in but they're going to
15 do a whole new facade on it. So that building is going to -- it
16 is taking some time, but it's getting a significant upgrade,
17 which will be very good for the Broadway corridor. So that is
18 underway now.

19 And I met with the owner of the property just recently.
20 He's going to actually circulate some drawings that I will post
21 on our website so everyone can look at what the new building is
22 going to look like.

23 And we currently have a five-year lease on the Clean and
24 Safe building. And when that lease -- before that lease is up,
25 we'll analyze if we can either utilize some city facilities or

1 combine our facilities at our current place.

2 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you, sir.

3 Madam Clerk.

4 THE CLERK: Commissioner Botel.

5 COMMISSIONER BOTEL: Yes.

6 THE CLERK: Commissioner Miller-Anderson.

7 COMMISSIONER MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

8 THE CLERK: Vice Chair Hubbard.

9 VICE CHAIR HUBBARD: Yes.

10 THE CLERK: Chair Davis Johnson.

11 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes.

12 THE CLERK: Motion carries.

13 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Item 5.

14 THE CLERK: A resolution of the Board of Commissioners of
15 the Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment Agency approving
16 agreements with Street Art Revolution, Fondos Studio, LLC, and
17 Big D Grafix for public art work and painting services at the
18 corner of Blue Heron and Broadway and other designated
19 properties within the CRA District; providing an effective date.

20 MR. LEWIS: Good evening, Madam Chair, Commissioners.

21 Andre Lewis, Project Manager for the CRA.

22 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: I need a motion, please, before you
23 begin.

24 MR. LEWIS: I'm sorry.

25 COMMISSIONER BOTEL: So moved.

1 VICE CHAIR HUBBARD: Second.

2 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: It's been motioned and properly
3 seconded. Please proceed.

4 MR. LEWIS: Thank you.

5 We're going to be presenting the CRA District and Marina
6 Village branding and art project. Back in February of 2018, we,
7 the CRA, received approval to enter into negotiations with the
8 three artists. Those negotiations have been concluded and we
9 are ready to request approval to enter into agreements with all
10 three artists. The agreements will be work order driven. And,
11 again, the over arching goal of the project is to bolster
12 community involvement, cultural activation of the sites, and
13 beautification and uniformity.

14 The first site is the water tank, which is located -- the
15 water tank and the surrounding wall that can be visible on 12th
16 Street and Avenue C. The tank is approximately 75 feet in
17 diameter, 30 feet high. The wall and the tank itself are a
18 salmon and pink color currently. And the wall that we propose
19 to install the mural is approximately 123 feet long and 10 feet
20 high. That is site 1.

21 Site 2 is the CRA owned property on Broadway and Blue
22 Heron. We propose to install a mural. As you can see, the wall
23 facing the intersection and the -- we propose to also paint the
24 entire building.

25 Site 3 would be the fencing that can be seen on 13th Street

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1 and Avenue C as you enter into Marina Village. We propose to do
2 some art woven within the fencing, and remove the current slats
3 that are there. And that will be site 3.

4 Site 4 will be located in between Park Avenue and Plaza
5 Circle on Singer Island. We propose to install four murals --
6 we propose to install six murals, actually, on four buildings
7 within that area. That would be site 4.

8 So the first work order would be for Street Art Revolution.
9 Street Art Revolution will operate as the lead artist on the
10 project during the design phase. We have tentatively scheduled
11 two design workshops. One will be held at the marina, the other
12 will be held at the Clean and Safe office on Singer Island.

13 So the Work Order 1 for Street Art Revolution will cover
14 the design phase of the project. And we are -- propose that
15 they come up with two design concepts for the wall and the water
16 tank. And also the fencing.

17 Work Order 2. The company will complete the installation
18 of the board approved mural to the Marina Village water tank and
19 surrounding wall.

20 And the third work order will be to complete the
21 installation of the 175-foot hand-woven fencing art to the
22 fencing that's visible on 13th Street and Avenue C.

23 And as you can see, the pricing that we have agreed to, to
24 your right, 7500 for the workshops and to come up with the
25 conceptual designs; 41,500 to complete the installation of the

1 murals; and 9,000 to complete the woven art on 13th Street and
2 Avenue C.

3 Big D's Grafix. Big D will assist the lead artist in the
4 design phase, and also come up with two conceptual designs for
5 the Singer Island mural project.

6 Work Order 2 will be the artist completing the installation
7 of the board approved base painting and finish painting of the
8 building on the corner of Broadway and Blue Heron, CRA owned
9 building.

10 And the Work Order 3 will be for him to complete the
11 installation of all board approved murals to the designated site
12 on Singer Island.

13 And, again, the cost is on the side. 4500 to complete the
14 design phase. 22,000 for the completion of the painting of
15 the -- the base painting of the mural, the mural wall, the
16 proposed mural wall, and the entire water tank area. And the
17 third work order would be for 30,000 to complete all six murals.

18 Murals by Georgeta. Her first work order would be to also
19 assist in the design phase and to produce two design concepts
20 for the mural that will be placed at 2601 Broadway, on the
21 corner of Blue Heron and Broadway. And her second order will be
22 to complete the full installation of the board approved mural,
23 13 by 56 feet, of the wall that's visible at the intersection of
24 Blue Heron and Broadway.

25 Any questions?

1 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Are there any questions?

2 COMMISSIONER BOTEL: Yes.

3 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Commissioner Botel.

4 COMMISSIONER BOTEL: I have discussed, but not in any great
5 detail, with Mr. Evans, the idea that we might try to unify some
6 of the signage along Blue Heron on Singer Island and do
7 something in coordination with the mural project, such that the
8 signage was at least in some way consistent with the murals that
9 are going up. And I wondered if we could explore that maybe as
10 part of the workshops in May, Scott? Mr. Evans.

11 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: We could, I mean, look
12 at -- I'm trying to see how we could coordinate them. We could
13 prevent moving forward with either of those projects until we
14 can move them forward. The signage program would have to be a
15 new grant program that we'd have to write before we could really
16 announce it. But at that workshop we could look at some of the
17 facades of the buildings, since that's a natural thing to look
18 at, or where the murals might go, and then identify the signs
19 that we think don't match or don't fit, and get the feedback
20 from the public.

21 COMMISSIONER BOTEL: As long as we can keep that in mind as
22 we move forward, because I think it's really important as we're
23 doing this. It would be awful if we decided that we were going
24 to have this lovely waterfront theme and then have something --
25 some splash of red in the middle of all that. You know, I would

1 just love it if we had a designer looking at it with the
2 artist's eye in mind and the designer eye in mind, to look at
3 the whole thing to make it look like there's a theme in mind.
4 So as long as we can keep that in mind as we have the workshops,
5 that would be great. Thanks.

6 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: I would request that we do that
7 universally throughout the city, wherever there is going to be
8 murals or art work, we should look to do that all-encompassing
9 so that there is a complete cohesive feel for the entire city.

10 Any other comments or questions?

11 Thank you.

12 THE CLERK: We have one public comment card. Bonnie
13 Larson.

14 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

15 MS. LARSON: I think he answered. You're going to have
16 dates for the --

17 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Come to the mic, please.

18 MS. LARSON: I saw some designs, and I was hoping that was
19 not going to be it. So from now what I understand, from what
20 Mr. Lewis said, there's going to be design workshops or
21 something on May 15th at the marina and May 29th at the Clean
22 and Safe building. So we haven't locked in on a design yet,
23 right? Yeah?

24 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: Yeah.

25 MS. LARSON: Okay. Thank you.

1 COMMISSIONER BOTEL: Madam Chair.

2 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Commissioner Botel.

3 COMMISSIONER BOTEL: The time of those workshops,
4 Mr. Evans?

5 MR. LEWIS: We will start at 5:30. We're looking at about
6 5:30 to 7:30. I know those creative juices are going to be
7 flowing, so we might go a little bit over. So, you know, if we
8 can kind of corral our enthusiasm, maybe we can get it, you
9 know, 5:30 to 7:30, maybe 8:00.

10 We're looking to do some really big things, so we want to
11 pull ideas from everyone, so everyone participates.

12 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: And each of the
13 particular artists will be responsible for them taking those
14 ideas and developing them into two separate distinct concepts,
15 which they'll bring back to this board for your approval.

16 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

17 Madam Clerk.

18 THE CLERK: Commissioner Botel.

19 COMMISSIONER BOTEL: Yes.

20 THE CLERK: Commissioner Miller-Anderson.

21 COMMISSIONER MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

22 THE CLERK: Vice Chair Hubbard.

23 VICE CHAIR HUBBARD: Yes.

24 THE CLERK: Chair Davis Johnson.

25 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes.

1 THE CLERK: Motion carries.

2 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

3 Any there any items tabled?

4 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: No, Madam Chair.

5 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Receipt of public comments.

6 THE CLERK: We have two public comment cards: Margaret
7 Shepherd and Bonnie Larson.

8 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Hold on a moment and let me just read
9 the statement, please.

10 Public comments should be restricted to items, matters, or
11 topics pertinent to the Riviera Beach Community Redevelopment
12 Agency.

13 Please be reminded that the CRA Board of Commissioners has
14 adopted Rules of Decorum Governing Public Conduct during
15 Official Meetings, which has been posted at the entrance of the
16 council chambers. In an effort to preserve order, if any of the
17 rules are not adhered to the Commission Chair may have any
18 disruptive speaker or attendee removed from the podium, from the
19 meeting, or the building if necessary. Please govern yourselves
20 accordingly.

21 MS. SHEPHERD: Margaret Shepherd, Riviera Beach.

22 First let me thank the CRA and CDC, Neimah Spence, for
23 allowing me to participate in the Clean and Safe program in my
24 neighborhood.

25 I want to first say, while people come to the podium and

1 always downgrade the city, I thank Neimah Spence and Mr. Evans
2 for my beautiful award this year. As you can see,
3 Ms. Miller-Anderson, my award with the Academy. And just did a
4 workshop with the Voice of Community, talking about Sickle Cell.

5 So if you get busy in the city there's no way in the world
6 you could stand here and completely downgrade your city. This
7 is a city of hope. This is the city of strength. And I'm
8 pretty tired of hearing people degrade this city.

9 I want to say that we -- I hope you have gotten your letter
10 talking about the community garden. I think it's May the 9th.
11 I hope I'm getting it right. May 9th or 10th. We will have a
12 ribbon cutting for the Honorable Willie Bo Davis. We will have
13 a garden, vegetable garden. And then we're hoping that
14 Ms. Grimsley and Ms. Ashley over at the Youth Empowerment will
15 come over as we clean out the area where the senior citizens sit
16 and make a beautiful rose garden. So we will be consistent with
17 helping the CDC. And then the young people coming over to help
18 us with the rose garden. So we hope that you will be there for
19 the ribbon cutting. We hope that you -- I thank you,
20 Mrs. Botel, we're getting the letter prepared, we're looking for
21 donations, because we want to make it beautiful.

22 Mr. Willie Bo Davis is a piece of this community that
23 everybody knows. He's very consistent. But we want to make
24 sure in his days -- he's very ill -- that we make sure that the
25 Davis family -- this was named after Reverend Davis's father,

1 who is a pillar in this community. So without the CRA and CDC
2 we would be nothing.

3 I thank Scott, I thank Mrs. Jenkins, I thank the whole
4 community, for Neimah -- and as you can see, I'm sporting my
5 shirt, to let him know I am with him one hundred percent. We
6 have enjoyed him. We have made it very clear that we want to be
7 safe in our community. So it takes work.

8 To continue this downgrading and nit-picking, and this
9 isn't right -- be about thy father's business, pick up a shovel.
10 You go out and pick paper up. I did it many, many years in
11 Riviera Beach Housing Authority.

12 Also, I'm sure you heard about the Riviera Beach Housing
13 Authority/The Heron Estates will be breaking ground, I think
14 it's the 9th, Ms. Hubbard, the 9th? The 10th.

15 VICE CHAIR HUBBARD: I'm not really sure.

16 MS. SHEPHERD: I think Mr. Hertz said the 10th.

17 And that's going to be an exciting day for some of us to go
18 back to the Housing Authority.

19 Thank you very much.

20 THE CLERK: Bonnie Larson.

21 MS. LARSON: It is a city of hope. And we come here with
22 ideas and things, we only get three minutes, so I try and bring
23 up things that could improve the community in my three minutes.
24 That's what I try to do.

25 And Mr. Neimah Spence, I've seen him out and about. He's

1 not just sitting in his office. He gets out and does things, as
2 he explained tonight.

3 The SmartWater, I have a question for him. How do we know
4 that works? Because the only place that can test -- let's say
5 you get robbed. Are pawn shops, are they required to test it?
6 Or how do we know that it works? That's my question.

7 Another suggestion is the clean neighborhoods. We have a
8 lot of ladies in this neighborhood who are retired. They go out
9 and pick up the trash. My suggestion there is every time we
10 have an event for the young people, let's teach them to keep the
11 community clean. Let's be proactive rather than reactionary.
12 They walk down the street with food, and they have a bag and
13 then they just toss it. I'm particularly tired of it. There's
14 trash outside our house every day. So let's teach the kids to
15 keep your wrappings, keep them, throw them away when you get
16 home or throw them away when you see a dumpster, so we don't
17 have to have these ladies out there every single year. Make
18 that an annual event, that they have to go and clean up from
19 other people.

20 Oh. There are a lot signs on the telephone pole by Silver
21 Beach and Broadway. Whenever we see those, if we could have
22 those removed. There's about three there. They've been there
23 so long they're kind of falling over.

24 The property that belongs to the CRA on the corner of
25 Avenue F and Blue Heron, that's where they're going to put in

1 that little mini shopping center. There's been a pile of
2 debris -- someone else put it there. It is not trash from that
3 site. But somebody else has laid a lot of trash there, a lot of
4 old branches there. They're rotting by this point. And it just
5 makes the CRA property look bad. So I guess we have to clean it
6 up. It's at the northwest corner of that property. It started
7 off this big, now it's mulched down to about this. But we need
8 to get it cleaned up so our CRA property looks good all the
9 time.

10 Since we won't be able to talk at the workshop. If you put
11 in a butterfly garden at the Cash America site, where that's
12 proposed, that's going to cut off ten parking spots for them.
13 Because there are six parking spots right up against the side of
14 their building, and then there's four -- you can park four by
15 the Dairy Belle. So if you put in a butterfly garden or
16 something there, a garden of any type, that's going to take away
17 their parking. Plus how's it going to get water, how's it going
18 to get maintained?

19 And tables and chairs, I would say out of the question. We
20 don't want to give the people that walk that area a reason to
21 sit and stay there. The police are out there every night, I
22 hear them, they're out there. So let's not give -- I know you
23 guys take them in at night, but there's no reason to have tables
24 and chairs. Who would want to sit right on Broadway there? So
25 let's not kind of waste our money doing that. Let's think of

1 something else to do.

2 And also, let's think about that lighting that I keep
3 talking about, the CRA lighting that they put in many, many
4 years ago. It is wonderful, wonderful lights. And lighting
5 deters crime. So let's spend some of our money doing that.

6 Thank you.

7 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

8 Does that conclude the public comments?

9 THE CLERK: Yes, Madam Chair.

10 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Mr. Evans, would you like to respond
11 to any of the questions?

12 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: The changes that we're
13 proposing to the parking area specifically will be -- enhance --
14 significantly enhance the pedestrian safety for anyone who is
15 going to this Cash America.

16 And by redesigning the parking lot we'll actually expand
17 the number. So although some spaces will be eliminated, we'll
18 be able to add other spaces at the rear of the property. So
19 there won't be a net loss, we'll actually be adding parking to
20 the property.

21 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: And the SmartWater question?

22 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: Yes. Neimah Spence.

23 MR. SPENCE: Yes. SmartWater has its own unique
24 identifying property. So each SmartWater is for one batch
25 number. And what happens, once you put the SmartWater on your

1 property and you call PD for a report, be sure to let them know
2 that your property had SmartWater on it. And when the
3 detectives doing the investigation, they go through the pawn
4 shop; and if they identify your property -- most of the time in
5 order to pawn something you have to have their identification
6 card. And what they'll do, they'll do their due diligence and
7 they may make an arrest. They'll have the ultraviolet light.
8 And that one, the one SmartWater kit, will go straight back to
9 you. That's why when we fill out the application we ensure that
10 we register in the database. So that's how we track it down.

11 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

12 Report of the executive director.

13 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: I just wanted to add
14 that our -- this -- let's see -- the Friday coming up, which is
15 the first Friday of the month, we have our movie night,
16 Gulfstream Cinema; and the movie coming up is Girls Night Out.
17 So there will be food and drinks available for purchase. And
18 it's on the Gulfstream Cinema, the first Friday of May.

19 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

20 MS. LARSON: Where is that? What time?

21 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: That is located, again,
22 at the Marina Village, in our new Event Center, and it's on the
23 outdoor patio.

24 MS. LARSON: Time? Cost?

25 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Miss -- give me one second.

1 Would you please give the time and the cost, please?

2 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: Yeah. That starts at
3 7:00 p.m. It's free to the public.

4 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

5 Report of general counsel?

6 MR. HAYGOOD: Yes, Madam Chair. We have one item. This is
7 a mutual release, actually between the city and the CRA. This
8 arose out of an accident, a slip and fall that occurred at the
9 marina, I think it was back in 2015, for -- I think the event
10 was called Trawler Fest. A Miss Linda Cagle slipped and fell.
11 And the case was settled.

12 Because the CRA was leasing the uplands from the city, the
13 CRA is required to indemnify the city from any liability as a
14 result of any accidents.

15 This has been resolved. The case has been, I think,
16 settled. This is actually between the city and CRA. And I'll
17 ask your approval -- all of the funds actually are being paid by
18 our insurer, which is the Florida Municipal Insurance Trust
19 Fund.

20 Again, it's pretty perfunctory but it will need your
21 approval.

22 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Any questions regarding this release?

23 VICE CHAIR HUBBARD: Madam Chair.

24 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Commissioner Hubbard.

25 VICE CHAIR HUBBARD: So the -- the city has already --

1 you've already met with attorney on the city's side?

2 MR. HAYGOOD: Yes. If I'm not mistaken, this should have
3 been scheduled before the city. If not, it's coming up before
4 you shortly. But actually the payment is from the CRA, the
5 CRA's insurer to the city. So it doesn't actually involve any
6 funds from the CRA. But because you are the defendant, we need
7 your approval. It's a mutual release.

8 VICE CHAIR HUBBARD: That's why I was -- not for the sake
9 of it coming out of the budget on the city's side. But for the
10 release on the city's side, that the attorney on the city's side
11 both, you know, sign off on it --

12 MR. HAYGOOD: Yes.

13 VICE CHAIR HUBBARD: -- as well, that it actually releases
14 us from any liability --

15 MR. HAYGOOD: Correct.

16 VICE CHAIR HUBBARD: -- after the payment has been made.
17 So I'm thinking there should be a -- somewhere that the city
18 attorney also signs off on it?

19 MR. HAYGOOD: Yes, that's my understanding. He's been
20 involved in the -- he's been involved in the negotiations of it.
21 So, yes.

22 VICE CHAIR HUBBARD: So he's going to sign and --

23 MR. HAYGOOD: Actually, you all as the city commission and
24 city council.

25 VICE CHAIR HUBBARD: Thank you.

1 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Any further comment?

2 We would need to entertain a motion?

3 MR. HAYGOOD: Yes, please.

4 VICE CHAIR HUBBARD: So moved.

5 COMMISSIONER BOTEL: Second.

6 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: It's been moved and properly
7 seconded.

8 Madam Clerk.

9 THE CLERK: Commissioner Botel.

10 COMMISSIONER BOTEL: Yes.

11 THE CLERK: Commissioner Miller-Anderson.

12 COMMISSIONER MILLER-ANDERSON: Yes.

13 THE CLERK: Vice Chair Hubbard.

14 VICE CHAIR HUBBARD: Yes.

15 THE CLERK: Chair Davis Johnson.

16 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Yes.

17 THE CLERK: Motion carries.

18 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Discussion of the board?

19 VICE CHAIR HUBBARD: Madam Chair. The -- one thing I'd
20 like to say about the city as a whole, as far as cleaning and
21 trash. We have numerous incidents that have been captured by
22 different employees, the administration of the city, where
23 persons come to our city and dump trash.

24 You have a lot of people that are receiving funds for
25 demolishing homes, for renovating properties, and as opposed to

1 spending that 200 plus dollars going to Haverhill to the dump
2 site, they are dumping it here, and pocketing the money. I
3 witnessed it on F Avenue. The city manager witnessed it. A
4 woman that lived on 11th Street, she videotaped it. And the
5 woman that lives on 28th Street witnessed it. So it's not
6 always the citizens or the residents that are dumping that trash
7 on empty lots, on sunken areas.

8 My goal is that we do away with all trash piles. And we
9 educate our residents when there's bulk, to put it in front of
10 your door on your sidewalk and we will be glad to take it away
11 for free. But I don't believe that there's any resident that's
12 going to leave their home and go look for a trash pile or an
13 empty lot to dump trash. They might dump it out in the trash
14 pile near their home or by them. But, you know, it's evident
15 that people are coming here and dumping trash; and that's what
16 we need to have our eyes open so that we can prosecute those
17 people. The signs that we put up that it's an offense, a \$250
18 offense to dump, we need to enforce that. And I think we'll be
19 able to stop a lot of the illegal dumping in the community. I
20 don't want everybody to go away thinking that that is just
21 something that the residents of Riviera Beach are doing.

22 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Commissioner Botel, any comment?

23 COMMISSIONER BOTEL: I do want to just make a comment,
24 praise for the work I saw today. I happened to go over to the
25 business expo at the marina. And wonderful, wonderful job over

1 there. They've got 60 businesses. And it was quite interesting
2 to see that many people out. And lovely job they did setting it
3 up.

4 I also happened to be at the Business Watch program a
5 couple of Tuesdays ago, and was very impressed with the work
6 that Rod is doing over in that area.

7 I would hate to give up the area that we have to work over
8 on Blue Heron and Singer Island because it's a place that people
9 on the island know that there's a police station, there's a
10 police presence over there. So I'd like for us to take that
11 into consideration as we look at office space for Clean and
12 Safe.

13 Thanks.

14 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Commissioner Miller-Anderson?

15 COMMISSIONER MILLER-ANDERSON: I have no comments.

16 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

17 I did not hear, when we were talking about the murals and
18 landscaping, there was discussion about a landscaped wall that
19 would cause a -- I think that's the moth garden we talked about.
20 I didn't hear that included. Are we going to bring that back?

21 INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EVANS: Yes, we will. And it's
22 actually missing from the workshop as a list of items. But we
23 will make sure that we add it to the list of items that we put
24 out to bid if the board directs us at the following workshop to
25 move forward.

1 CHAIR DAVIS JOHNSON: Thank you.

2 There being no further business, we stand adjourned.

3 (Proceedings ended at 6:54 p.m.)

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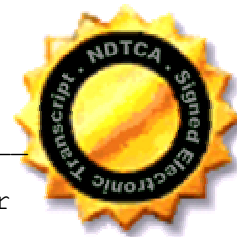
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ADJOURNMENT

The CRA Meeting was adjourned at 6:54 P.M. The minutes were
approved by the Board of Commissioners on _____.

Tonya Davis Johnson, Chairperson

Interim Executive Director Scott Evans

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