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## **REGULAR MEETING AGENDA**

**Monday, June 11, 2018, 1:30 p.m.**

City Hall Commission Chambers – 100 NW 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue  
Delray Beach, FL 33444

### **STAFF PRESENT:**

Renee Jadusingh	Danielle Arfin	Elizabeth Burrows
DJ Lee	Krista Walker	Teresa Hadjipetrou
Kevin Matthews	David Tolces	

### **OTHERS PRESENT:**

Sargent Baer	Doc Vic	Ernestine Holliday	Ann Stacey-Wright
Mary Alford	Amanda Skeberis	Charlene Farrington	Reginald Cox
Bob Currie	Winnie Edwards	Karen Ronald	Erin Deade
Sharon Blake	David Fry	Marjorie Waldo	Christina Buckley
Elyse Johnson	Frances Bourgar	Sarah Crane	Ron Gilinsky
Victor Kirson	Morris Carstarphen	Andrew Perkins	Stephen Johnson
David Fry	Bill & Paulene Ceasar		

#### **1. Call to Order**

Chair Petrolia called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm.

#### **2. Roll Call**

**Present:** Adam Frankel, Shirley Johnson, Ryan Boylston, Bill Bathurst, Angie Gray, Pamela Brinson, Shelly Petrolia

#### **3. Approval of Agenda**

Chair Petrolia made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Frankel asked to move item 7E from the consent agenda. Chair Petrolia suggested to move it to 8A. Deputy Vice Chair Gray made a motion to approve the agenda as amended which was seconded by Commissioner Frankel and passed unanimously.

#### **4. Approval of the Minutes**

##### **A. Minutes of May 7, 2018 Meeting**

Commissioner Frankel made a motion to approve the minutes which was seconded by Commissioner Boylston and passed unanimously.

#### **5. Public Comments on Non-Agenda and Consent Agenda Items**

Doctor Victor Kirson, Board of Tierra Verda, commented that the Commission does not have much time to have meetings and that Equity has been post-poned until July 7<sup>th</sup>. He noted that he went over the financials and the CRA has \$20 million in cash. He would like to see a report every month on how much was accomplished on streets and sidewalks, how much has been spent, and what is the remaining amount in the account.

Ms. Ernestine Holliday, 40 NW 9<sup>th</sup> Ave, neighborhood president of Westside Heights, questioned why the CRA Board has been so quiet on adopting The Set Transformation Plan. She said the contract cost the taxpayers \$85,000. She also wanted to know why the CRA Board meetings were changed from 6:00 pm to 1:30 pm.

Ms. Ann Stacey-Wright, 225 SW 7<sup>th</sup> Ave, commented The Set Transformation Plan is an update that brought life to what the City and CRA were doing wrong all along. The Southwest Neighborhood Redevelopment Plan and the West Atlantic Plan identified major concerns with gentrification. She noted that she does not know who was responsible for making sure that there were real policies in place to make sure her community was not displaced. She wants development without displacement and said it is worth the wait to get it right.

Mr. Reginald Cox, 715 NW 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, commented that the CRA Board is on the path to make us backwards in a more divisive environment and that West Atlantic should not be treated as less important. He said the Board does not listen and should have at least had a workshop among themselves and ideally with the WARC Board and the NW/SW Neighborhood Alliance presidents and block captains to understand where the people are coming from regarding inclusiveness. He noted that the RFQ/P is the best way with an impartial consultant. Questions should be asked such as have they built a project of this magnitude before? What minorities have they worked with before? What is their track record? Have they filed for bankruptcy in the last two years? What is the measuring stick that you are using for this sole-source developer? The Set Transformation Plan was written by consultants paid for by the CRA. Score-settling should not be at the expense of the broader community.

Ms. Karen Ronald, Executive Director of the Delray Beach Library, commented that this Saturday was the first summer reading kickoff thanks to the City, Deputy Vice Chair Shirley Johnson, and Pastor Brooks from the Praise and Worship Church. They hosted 139 kids of all ages and handed out library cards, summer reading logs, free books, and free food. She thanked others who contributed and library staff. This summer they will continue to help with STEM programs. The Library has started a new program to start feeding kids free lunches and snacks, Monday-Friday, 11:00 am- 12:00 pm and snacks from 2:00 pm on.

Mr. Bob Currie, commented that the Uptown Atlantic project was approved by every Board in this town unanimously. All of the building permits are ready to go. The plan follows all the LDR's. It is a pedestrian principle with walkways throughout the project. He said it will start to create redevelopment in that part of town, which is so important for the entrance of our town, which is where the major redevelopment ought to be. He said it will be a great boom to the community with a grocery store and amenities for their use.

Ms. Marjorie Waldo, Arts Garage, 8058 Tumblestone Court, commented that they started the "Set the Stage" theatre camp for 7-12 year olds. There are 21 of them in the building right now learning playwriting, acting, and technology. They are going to write and create their own play at the end of the 4-week camp. She hopes the Board will come out to see the local driven programming.

6. **P&Z** (*Discussion and comments by the CRA Board. No formal Action will be taken on P&Z Items*)  
None.

7. **Consent Agenda**

- A. CRA Monthly Financial Report, March 2018
- B. CRA Monthly Financial Report, April 2018
- C. CRA Monthly Work Plan Progress Report, May 2018
- D. Clean and Safe Monthly Report, April 2018
- E. Delray Beach Marketing Cooperative – FY 2017-18 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter
- F. Delray Beach Historical Society – 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter FY 2017- 18 A-Guide Report
- G. Expanding and Preserving our Cultural Heritage Inc. – 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter FY 2017-18 A-Guide Report
- H. Delray Beach Community Land Trust – 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter FY 2017- 18 A-Guide Report
- I. Delray Beach Public Library – 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter FY 2017-18 A-Guide Report
- J. Old School Square- 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter FY 2017-18 A-Guide Report
- K. General Fund Carry Forward Report – FY 2016-17 to FY 2017-18

Commissioner Frankel made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda which was seconded by Deputy Vice Chair Gray and passed unanimously.

## **8. Old Business**

- A. Trolley Ridership Reports – FY 2017-18 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter

Commissioner Frankel questioned the trips validity of the trolley ridership reports and he believes the numbers are inflated. Commissioner Boylston noted that he rides the trolley and that it is utilized.

Vice Chair Johnson asked if there was an independent study and where the numbers are coming from. Chair Petrolia commented that she has ridden the trolley and if there was a better system in terms of timing there would be an increase in ridership. Commissioner Boylston suggested the development of an app for the trolley to know where it is at all times. This is something that they are going to work on. She agrees the numbers are probably inflated. If we are ever going to really know what the ridership is we will need to conduct an independent study.

Commissioner Boylston made a motion to approve which was seconded by Treasurer Bathurst and passed with Commissioner Frankel, Deputy Vice Chair Johnson, and Commissioner Brinson dissenting.

- B. Amendment to CRA By-laws – Meeting Date

Ms. Renee Jadusingh, CRA Assistant Director, presented an overview of the proposed amendment to the CRA bylaws noting that the draft amendment changes the regular meeting dates to the second Tuesday of every month based on the Boards direction on the May 7<sup>th</sup> meeting. It also states that the Chair and Vice Chair will be appointed annually unless the City Commission determines otherwise. The amendment to the bylaws does not set a workshop date, but staff is requesting that the Board considers having at least two workshops between July and September to discuss the upcoming year budget and A-Guide applications for the next fiscal year.

Commissioner Frankel noted that it was his understanding that we were going to start the CRA meeting at 1:30, take a break, and immediately switch to the workshops like they do in neighboring cities.

The Board had discussion about Workshops and Board meeting dates and time alternatives.

Ms. Jadusingh replied that the CRA will discuss dates and come back to the Board with options. For next month the date will remain on July 10<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 pm. She also noted that there is no urgency for a workshop meeting prior to the next meeting.

Chair Petrolia asked if there needs to be a workshop to discuss Equity which was also suggested by Commissioner Boylston.

Mr. Tolces replied that the draft contract for Equity has been received and that the CRA has met with their attorneys. There has been discussion to iron out some details. Depending on timing for getting the contract done there can be a workshop before the next regular meeting or it can be discussed at the July 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. The 30-day notice closes today and the proposals would be brought back to the Board at the July 10<sup>th</sup> meeting along with a draft contract and the Board can then decide what to do with respect to the contract.

Chair Petrolia said that sounded plausible but wants to make sure it is not a heavy meeting since there will be a lot of different issues being discussed. She does not want to be distracted. Ms. Jadusingh said it can be made into a lighter meeting and that there are items that can be moved to Consent if the Board is comfortable with that. She does not anticipate a lot of technical items. Items can be moved to August to make the July meeting lighter.

Deputy Vice Chair Gray asked about business owners or anything that needs to expedited and if they would be delayed to the next month. She is concerned about anything in the docket that would have to wait until the next month to get approvals. Ms. Jadusingh said there may be some grants for the July meeting that can be moved to the Consent Agenda if the Board wishes to do so.

Vice Chair Johnson would like to have a workshop on the A-Guide program. There is consensus to have a workshop before the next meeting.

Ms. Jadusingh replied that there will be communication via email to discuss dates for the workshop meeting.

Mr. Tolces commented that the Board could amend the bylaws or keep it to say there will be a meeting one time a month.

Commissioner Frankel made a motion to approve the bylaws as amended which was seconded by Deputy Vice Chair Gray and passed unanimously.

C. Appointment of CRA Board First Vice-Chair and Treasurer

Commissioner Frankel made a motion to move Angeleta Gray to First Vice Chair which was seconded by Vice Chair Johnson and passed unanimously.

Commissioner Frankel made a motion to move Bill Bathrust to Treasurer which was seconded by Deputy Vice Chair Gray and passed unanimously.

## **9. New Business**

### **A. CRA Audit Report - FY 2016-17**

Ms. Lori Hayword, CRA Finance and Operations Director, introduced Mark Veil who presented the highlights of the FY 16-17 CRA Audit.

Mr. Veil presented details from the audit including total assets, receivables, and outstanding debts. He also noted that there was an increase in tax increment revenue. Mr. Veil then presented an overview of comments in the management letters, the CRA's response, and corrective measures.

Ms. Jadusingh noted that the CRA has gone through management letter comments to make sure all of these issues are rectified, new policies are put in place and extra steps of checks and balances have been implemented.

Ms. Christina Buckley, 250 Congress Park Drive, commented that she hopes everyone is excited to take on new ventures. She says it is great that the CRA is trying to move Delray Beach to bigger and better. She wants to make sure that the homeless are not forgotten amidst all the redevelopment and that as assets are growing that we do not forget people who need help with their budgets and takehome income.

Vice Chair Johnson replied that there is a program Monday- Friday that provides free lunch to children and a charge of \$3 for adults. There is also a program Monday- Sunday at different locations where the homeless are being fed. She asked if Ms. Buckley has approached the homeless about the program.

Ms. Yvonne Odum, 3905 Lowson Blvd, commented that the CRA is in very good shape and she wants to make sure that as the CRA moves forward that the people who live and work in this city are taken into consideration.

Treasurer Bathurst made a motion to approve which was seconded by Commissioner Frankel and passed unanimously.

### **B. Purchase and Sale Agreement - 98 NW 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, LLC (98 NW 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue)**

Mr. David Tolces, CRA Board Attorney read the resolution into the record.

Chair Petrolia asked if we received appraisals for the property. Ms. Jadusingh replied that there are two appraisal for the property which is a 2- story building with 5 residential units and parking and commercial space on the ground floor. The apartments on the second floor will be affordable units and the ground floor will be all commercial space for small businesses or incubator program.

Vice Chair Johnson asked about parking for the building. Ms. Jadusingh responded that they may convert part of the garages to the incubator space and leave some of the garages open. Currently, there is about 750 square feet of commercial space but we may want to increase that. Ms. Jadusingh responded that parking is a concern and that we will have to see what the best option is between leave the parking there or turn them into a commercial space. The public parking across the street is not dedicated to the building.

Deputy Vice Chair Gray made a motion to approve which was seconded by Commissioner Frankel

and passed unanimously.

C. Letter of Interest – Habitat for Humanity (238 SW 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue)

Ms. Krista Walker, CRA Contract Manager, commented that the CRA currently has two undeveloped single-family residential properties available that are located in the NW/SW neighborhoods of The Set for the purpose of constructing affordable, for sale single-family homes. On May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2018 the CRA received an unsolicited letter of interest from Habitat for Humanity of South Palm Beach County to purchase one individual parcel to construct a new single-family home.

Deputy Vice Chair Gray commented that due to the lack of housing in the community this is a very important item to approve.

Deputy Vice Chair Gray made a motion to authorize the negotiation of the Purchase and Sale Agreement which was seconded by Commissioner Boylston and passed unanimously.

Commissioner Boylston made a motion to post the intent to convey which was seconded by Deputy Vice Chair Gray and passed unanimously.

D. Rent Subsidy Program Funding Assistance Application – Erin L. Deady, P.A. (54 ½ SE 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue)

Ms. Elizabeth Burrows, Economic Development Manager, presented an application under the rent subsidy program from Ms. Erin L. Deady, P.A. who is the owner of a law firm that specializes in land use, energy, and environmental sustainability. The applicant qualifies for the maximum assistance under the program is a maximum of \$500 a month for up to 12 months for an amount not to exceed \$6,000. That subsidy would be paid on a monthly basis in equal monthly installments of \$500. Staff is recommending approval.

Ms. Deady, 54 ½ SE 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue, came up to answer any questions the Board may have about her firm. Commissioner Boylston asked how she heard about the program. Ms. Deady responded that she attended a workshop run by Ms. Burrows and researched incentives for the CRA program. She was looking at West Palm and Delray and the program pushed her to Delray Beach.

Commissioner Boylston made a motion to approve which was seconded by Vice Chair Johnson and passed unanimously.

E. Curb Appeal Grant Applications - Kelker (418 SW 14<sup>th</sup> Avenue)

Ms. Burrows presented the first of two Curb Appeal grants on the agenda. The property is owned by Mr. Chad Kelker. The homeowner has income at or below the income qualifications for the program which qualifies them for a grant that covers 100% of the program cost. The total grant amount is not to exceed \$6,000. Staff is recommending approval.

Ms. Ann Stacey- Wright, 225 SW 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, commented that the Curb Appeal grant program is very successful that she greatly appreciates the work that Ms. Burrows is doing. She asked if there are any restrictions as far as once the work is done and if the homeowners understand what they are and how they work.

Ms. Burrows responded that there are no current restrictions on the use of the property aside from the fact that the property owner has to remain in the home and to qualify for the program it must be

owner-occupied. If there is a tenant in place they have to have at least a one year lease for that property in which case the project would only qualify for 50% funding. After improvements are complete, beyond regular code requirements, there are restrictions placed on the property.

Chair Petrolia asked if someone could utilize this to increase the value of their home and sell it right away and there would be no payback for the benefit of the value. Ms. Burrows responded that there is not currently anything like that in the program and has not seen used in that way. Over the decade that this program has existed she is sure that they have all been owner-occupied long term.

Vice Chair Johnson has noticed that properties built by the CRA or CLT have issues when it rains because the water collects. She wants to make sure it does not cause problems with mosquitos.

Commissioner Boylston made a motion to approve which was seconded by Treasurer Bathurst and passed unanimously.

F. Curb Appeal Grant Applications - Peacock (655 NW 4<sup>th</sup> Street)

Ms. Burrows presented the second application which is a property owned by Ms. Anna Peacock. This home was determined to need landscape improvements and repainting of the exterior of the home. The existing irrigation system will also be replaced to make sure the new landscape improvements can be properly maintained. This home qualifies for a full funding assistance under this program at 100%. The total grant amount is not to exceed \$13,600. Staff is recommending approval.

Deputy Vice Chair Gray asked how many people have been helped in the last year or two through this program. Ms. Burrows responded that she cannot recall but estimated around four people have been helped in that time period. She noted that Neighborhood Services is working hard to build a pipeline of eligibility for this program.

Deputy Vice Chair Gray asked if there is a way that this can be facilitated since there is such a need out there and four people in that time period looks like a low number. Ms. Burrows responded that we will continue to have regular conversations with City staff about this program. The program has been updated about one year ago and made some changes to the way at works. There have been additional applications coming in as a result of those changes.

Vice Chair Johnson stated her concern about follow-up and continuation more than one or two years out from the improvements and grants. Ms. Burrows responded that the City has some processes in place but that if there are parameters that the Board would like to see they can be included in the program. Ms. Jadusingh replied that this can be looked at during the grant workshop to make sure all the checks and balances are in place that the Board would like to see.

Treasurer Bathurst suggested that as we improve these roads we should go right down those streets and help people where they need it because everything is there to help.

Chair Petrolia stated her concern about installing a new irrigation system because after a few years it can be found that the system is not in good condition because someone did not do what needed to be done to keep the system going. She thinks there should be a follow-up program. Ms. Burrows responded that there have been similar concerns when the program was created. Before

landscape plans are drawn up the Neighborhood Services staff have conversations with homeowners about amount of watering that is appropriate and if it is reasonable for them to afford those watering costs. If they cannot something else would be designed to help mitigate that issue.

Commissioner Boylston made a motion to approve which was seconded by Deputy Vice Chair Gray and passed unanimously.

G. Site Development Assistance Program Funding Assistance Application – Ceasar’s Catering & More, LLC (37 SW 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue)

Ms. Burrows presented an application for Ceasar’s Catering & More, LLC who has secured a five year lease on the property located at 37 SW 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The building that they will occupy is about 800 square feet. Bill and Paulene Ceasar are Delray Beach residents so we are extra proud to have them chose Delray Beach for their brick and mortar enterprise. The restaurant will be take-out and not a full-service, sit down restaurant. They will be upgrading plumbing and electrical systems, installing a new gas line and kitchen appliances, upgrading the bathroom to serve customers, and putting in new shelving and counter systems. They are eligible based on program guidelines for a funding amount not to exceed \$27,711.12. Staff is recommending approval.

Ms. Ann Stacey- Wright, 225 SW 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, commented that Ceasar’s is not just a business but is someone who cares about the community and gives back. She hopes they can get the full amount and is very much in support of welcoming Cesar’s.

Ms. Yvone Odum, 3905 Lowson Blvd, commented that he is exactly who we want to help. He was born and raised here. If you can clone a kid to help, this is who we want to help. He is a hard worker and the food is delicious. We want viable adults who are going to pay taxes. She asks that the Board approves the request.

Mr. Ron Gilinsky, 1405 S. Federal Highway, commented that he is in support of Ceasar’s. They are going to be brining economic development to the NW/SW Neighborhood and they are going to be brining more viable excitement into the SW Neighborhood. They are great city residents.

Mr. Morris Carstarphen, 619 SW 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, commented that Mr. Ceasar gives back to the community and goes above and beyond to give to the homeless in other City’s. They come out to volunteer their services to community events. He hopes the Board will approve this dollar amount.

Mr. Andrew Perkins, 14400 S. Military Trail, commented that he has known the Ceasar’s for years and they have had a huge influence on his two boys. They are lovely and religious people. He is here to support them and requests that the Board gives them everything that they are allowed to get.

Mr. Stephen Johnson, Johnson Group Consulting, commented that he was hired by Ceasar’s and wanted to discuss the process and compliment the staff. He stated Ms. Jackie Ramirez and Ms. Elizabeth Burrows did a wonderful job making sure that this business was going to be successful. He was happy to see the process that is in place. The staff made sure that this business would be sustainable and successful.

Mr. David Fry, 432 Bluebird Lane, is a small business owner in Delray Beach and commented that



he met Bill in 1994 when he was his high school teacher. Bill was the only teacher on parent-teacher night that said something nice about him. He commended Ms. Odum on a job well done. He looks up to Bill and supports his business. He hopes everyone supports and approves it.

Mr. Reggie Cox, 715 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, commented on the program that Bill is able to take advantage of and said that it does include the interior of the building. Historically the program only dealt with the exterior of the building.

Bill and Paulene Ceasar, 712 E. Shadowlane Blvd, thanked everyone for supporting them and the CRA Board. He hopes the Board approves them. They go to Lake Worth and Delray to feed the homeless. They volunteer their services for the needy. They are happy to be in this position and are glad to be here.

Commissioner Frankel commented that the business has a great staff and that they are the nicest people with the best food. He noted that staff has been trying for a while to get this done and we should get them in there. He cannot think of a more appropriate group and business to help.

Deputy Vice Chair Gray commented that the Cesar's have done so many amazing things in the community. She is welcoming them as they come with a host of patrons from all over the county.

Commissioner Brinson commented that they have her full support and that the hard work has paid off.

Deputy Vice Chair Gray commented that they are not a start up business. They have been operating for a very long time. Using taxpayers dollars is not taking a chance and this is a business that has shown that they will be here for a long time.

Commissioner Boylston commented on how important it is to invest in a business that is already here in our community. He knew of the Ceasar name because of all of the things they do in the community.

Chair Petrolia commented that there are programs in the City that give back to the community. She complimented the staff on doing a great job getting this through and wants to make sure we get them in. They have her full support. This will help bring in the traffic that is needed on the south end of 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

Treasurer Bathurst commented that this is perfect example of what we want to be moving in to these locations. He wants to think about more Delray businesses that do not have the location and need the help to get the location. We need Delray businesses with Delray people running them.

Commissioner Boylston made a motion to approve which was seconded by Deputy Vice Chair Gray and passed unanimously.

#### H. Old School Square – First Amendment to the Funding Agreement For Fiscal Year 2017-18

Ms. Hayward introduced the item and stated that the CRA awarded Old School Square a \$900,000 A-Guide grant for fiscal year 17-18. The payments are paid in quarterly payments of \$225,000, The first and second quarter have been distributed and Old School Square is requesting an advance of

the fourth quarter payment to help facilitate with their cash flow needs. CRA staff met with Old School Square representatives to discuss the request and at the meeting staff requested for Old School Square to provide a projected fiscal year 17-18 budget to reflect their financial position and where they will be at the end of the year and if there will be a deficit and how they will address that.

Commissioner Boylston noted that he has a conflict of interest and recused himself.

Ms. Elyse Johnson, Vice Chair of Old School Square, commented that she appreciates the Board considering this request to help them in this transition as their CEO resigned four weeks ago.

Ms. Frances Bourque, Delray Dunes, commented that this has been an eye-opener for her. She said that thirty years ago the CRA had not been established and the City was determining whether this would be a good opportunity when the federal program was being initiated. Delray did not have a cultural or historical component that was significant enough. The CRA and the City needed us and we needed them. I believe now we are returning to that partnership.

Mr. Reggie Cox, 715 Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, commented that in support of partnerships, community-led strategic partnerships, it is important to know the history. Non-profits should not be left to the side of the road and have helped build this community.

Ms. Yvonne Odum, 3905 Lowson Blvd, said she is here as a Delray resident and commented that if you can pay this small amount to keep this gem she is in support of it. If the CRA can help in any way they should do that.

Ms. Sarah Crane, 118 SE 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, is a new board member of Old School Square and commented that they support other non-profits and serves as a place for convening. Pursuing grants is a new initiative that they are starting. They just need a little bit of help to get through this restructuring. They are going in the right direction and have plans in place and will be pursuing grants year-round. They do not intend to rely on the City.

Dr. Victor Kirson, Board of Tierra Verde, commented that as long as he is not hearing a request for \$11 million to build a park into a commercial enterprise, give them the \$27,000.

Commissioner Frankel, Treasurer Bathurst, Vice Chair Johnson, and Deputy Vice Chair Gray noted that they are in support of the request. Vice Chair Johnson further noted that she wants to see them succeed and hopes they will be the one to help bridge the gap between the east and the west and play a part in making Delray one whole.

Ms. Elyse Johnson commented that the budget is a process and they have made significant cuts such as over-staffing, cross-training, black out dates, outsourcing marketing, and other things they have found where they can save money and not hurt who they are. They can still expand programs and go after grants while offering programs that the community wants.

Chair Petrolia suggested adding this issue to a workshop to discuss that the future may hold for Old School Square. She added that she also supports this and that it is important to give every opportunity for success.

Commissioner Frankel made a motion to approve which was seconded by Treasurer Bathurst and passed unanimously.

## **10. Other Business**

### **A. Comments by Commissioners**

Commissioner Frankel commented on Yvonne Odum's relative Coco Gauff who is the youngest French Open champion in 25 years. He would like the City to recognize Coco for the superstar that she is.

Deputy Vice Chair Gray asked about the CRA having the support that is needed to get projects moving because it seems to be a slow process.

Vice Chair Johnson welcomed the two new members and said that this is one of the best meetings she has been to.

Chair Petrolia also welcomed the two new members to the Board. She added that development without displacement is important and people in the West Atlantic area need to be considered and embraced. They should not get priced out. There is a healthy balance sheet to be working from with the money that is there currently and that keeps increasing every year. There is a tremendous amount of money to be spent and we need to make sure it is going through to the CIP and that we are enhancing our district and growth in the West Atlantic area. The Board should be thinking about who needs grants. We want beautiful streets, sidewalks, and entrance-ways into homes. She anticipates hearing back from Ms. Jadusingh regarding meeting dates.

Vice Chair Johnson directed a comment to Ms. Jadusingh to meet about projected future hiring.

### **B. Comments by Board Attorney**

Mr. Tolces noted that there is a Purchase and Sale Agreement for 51 NW 9<sup>th</sup> Ave that is currently being worked on. Today we received a 45 day extension on the inspection period. In regards to the Equity contract, Mr. Doody sent an email asking for any questions or concerns that can be addressed. A workshop will be set up a mutually convenient time.

### **C. Comments by Executive Director**

Ms. Jadusingh welcomed the two new Board members. She introduced Teresa Hadjipetrou who is the new Public Relations and Communications Coordinator for the CRA.

### **D. Comments by Staff**

None.

## **11. Adjournment**