

CRA Board Workshop Meeting Minutes Tuesday, July 28, 2020 – 2:00 p.m. Remote Via Webex Delray Beach, FL 33444

STAFF PRESENT:

Renee Jadusingh Danielle Arfin Lori Hayward Christine Tibbs Heather Hinkle Tara Toto Alexina Jeannite

OTHERS PRESENT:

Quentin E Morgan

1. Call to Order

Chair Petrolia called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present: Chair Shelly Petrolia, Vice Chair Shirley Johnson, Deputy Vice Chair Angie Gray, Commissioner Ryan Boylston, Commissioner Kelcey Cordell Brooks, Commissioner Juli Casale, and Commissioner Adam Frankel.

3. Approval of Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Frankel, seconded by Commissioner Boylston, to approve the agenda as presented. In a roll call vote, the **motion** passed unanimously (7-0).

4. Discussion

A. FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021 DRAFT BUDGET REVIEW

Executive Director Renee Jadusingh introduced Quentin E. Morgan, attorney from the firm Goren, Cherof, Doody, & Ezrol, P.A., who would be filling in as CRA legal counsel for the meeting.

Ms. Jadusingh reminded the Board a brief Fiscal Year 2020-2021 (FY21) budget overview was provided at the June Regular Meeting and Board members had asked for additional information regarding City funding requests. She proceeded to review the requests individually.

Clean and Safe

Ms. Jadusingh explained the first area of discussion was an increase to the Clean and Safe program budget. She noted the City Finance Director Marie Kalka and Police Chief Javaro Sims were present to provide additional details as needed.

Deputy Vice Chair Gray asserted she supports Police and Fire but did not believe the costs should be coming out of the CRA budget. She said Delray Beach was considered a safe city, and she thought the increases were overkill. She stated there is not a lot of activity going on in the core downtown, and she wanted to question the CRA paying the added funding.

Chief Sims provided a brief summary of the requested increases. He explained salary and benefit increases for the 10 police officers, two (2) sergeants, and one (1) community service officer in the Clean and Safe program made up most of the change. He reviewed the costs, including salary, Police Health Trust, retirement, and general liability costs.

Chair Petrolia stated there was a \$308,000 increase to the police officer expenses, and asked if that meant there was a \$30,000 per officer increase over the previous year's budget.

Chief Sims stated that amount covered salaries and benefits. He shared specific numbers for each line item.

Chair Petrolia said it was difficult to understand the numbers when she was not looking at them.

Deputy Vice Chair Gray asked how the positions would be funded if there was not a CRA. She asked if the positions would be cut or if the City wouldn't have them.

Chief Sims stated if you rewind five (5) years ago, they would have had to work those officers into the regular police budget, if approved. He said if the funding is removed, they do not have funding for those officers, especially with current cuts.

Deputy Vice Chair Gray said that clarified her point that the costs should be in the City budget. She stated she didn't think the CRA should be paying for extra protection when they should have protection automatic.

Chair Petrolia explained the CRA was one of the few areas where budgets were going up, with values bringing in more and more money to the CRA each year. She said the City is not receiving tax dollars from those areas because it goes to the CRA, so they have to find ways to provide the services in those areas while City budgets decrease. She stated when the decision was being made to fund these positions, the CRA was looked at as a subset of Delray Beach.

Continuing, Chair Petrolia stated when she started on the City Commission there was not enough money to fund all of the police officers. She noted in the past seven (7) years the CRA budget has

gone from around \$6 million to around \$24 million, so the CRA has taken on additional expenses. She stated she understands the concerns, noting the funds were to cure blight.

Deputy Vice Chair Gray said she understood that every City needs its own police and fire department, and stated it should be City funded, along with transportation and other items taking away from the CRA budget. She said the City was dictating what the CRA utilized dollars or and treating it like a pass-through.

Chief Sims explained the Police Department provides a catered service to address the Clean and Safe area and no other area unless there is an extreme emergency. He stated it adds to the safety of the CRA, and said he believed it was a needed service and contributed to Delray Beach being a safe city.

Commissioner Boylston stated the funds were taxpayer dollars, and if the CRA didn't exist, the City would have a larger budget to prioritize police officers. He stressed the importance of providing a safe community for residents. He said he had never had a problem with using CRA funds for safety, adding that he was grateful Delray Beach was a safe city, and believed it was because of the investment that had been made in police and fire for decades.

Continuing, Commissioner Boylston stated he was all for looking at the budget and seeing what could be cut but thought the use of CRA dollars or police and fire was appropriate and a good use of taxpayer funds. He agreed that he also didn't understand the amount of the increase and asked for additional explanation of the Clean and Safe budget.

Chair Petrolia stated it was difficult to understand without the numbers in front of them, and asked Ms. Jadusingh to connect with Chief Sims to provide a more thorough explanation of the \$308,000 increase at a future meeting.

Vice Chair Johnson said she understood everyone's side but thought it would be short-sighted to pull out something that had been built on for a number of years that eliminates them from the City budget. She stated her issue was understanding the numbers.

Vice Chair Johnson asked that Chief Sims provide an idea of the area covered by the Clean and Safe program. She asked if it was just the entertainment district, or the entire CRA.

Chief Sims stated the Clean and Safe program included the area from A1A to I-95, 100 block north and south.

Chair Petrolia asserted it was pretty much the entertainment district.

Vice Chair Johnson asserted that area has more activity than people can imagine and encourage the other Board members to spend time with an officer after COVID-19 restrictions are lifted. She stated she went on a ride-along and could not imagine how busy it was.

Continuing, Vice Chair Johnson pointed out the 10 officers are to cover shifts and rotations and are not all in the area at once. She said she was much in favor of funding the increase.

City Finance Director Marie Kalka clarified the budget for FY20 remained flat, so the budget number for FY21 included two (2) years of increases. She stated she was not on staff at the time and couldn't explain why FY20 remained flat.

Chair Petrolia stated that made more sense.

Chief Sims added that it was brought to his attention the number used was from two (2) years ago, which was another reason the increase seemed large.

Ms. Jadusingh posted a map of the Clean and Safe district and stated it would be sent to the new Commissioners via email.

Parking Garage

Ms. Jadusingh explained there used to be a City position to clean the parking garage, but that work has been absorbed by other staff. She stated City staff is asking the CRA to share in the cost of cleaning services for the parking garages and asked if the Board was supportive of the request.

Chair Petrolia asked if all garages were being references, or just the main parking garage.

Ms. Jadusingh asked if Ms. Kalka or City of Delray Beach Deputy Director Program and Project Management Missie Barletto if they could provide additional details.

Chair Petrolia stated the net appeared to be about \$14,000, as maintenance staffing costs were going down and the maintenance contract was going up.

Ms. Kalka stated that was correct, and said she would follow up on which garages were included.

Fire Prevention and Life Captain

Ms. Jadusingh stated the original request received from the City for Fire Prevention and Life Captain was incorrect. She explained the corrected amount is \$195,387 and shared previous fiscal year budget numbers for reference. She asked for clarification from the Board on how to move forward with the request.

Chair Petrolia asked if the increase was similar to the police request in that it would cover salary and benefits. She clarified if it was one (1) position or two (2).

Ms. Jadusingh stated it was one (1) position.

Delray Beach Fire Chief Keith Tomey stated the increase to \$195,387 would cover salary and benefits for a different inspector than was budgeted in prior years. He explained staff works to keep the same inspector in the CRA area throughout the year to simplify budgeting and rotates in new inspectors annually.

Chair Petrolia asked what the FY20 line item for the position was.

Chief Tomey said he did not have the number and noted his budget person was at lunch.

Chair Petrolia asked him to follow up with the information at a future time.

Tennis Tournament

Ms. Jadusingh reported the working draft of the CRA budget anticipated the expenses of the tennis tournament (\$905,000) and transportation services (\$1,400,000) and asked for direction regarding continuing with those line items.

Ms. Jadusingh stated the CRA has been in discussion with the City regarding City staff managing the transportation services if CRA funding continues. She noted the Downtown Connect has not been running due to COVID-19.

Chair Petrolia asked for clarification regarding the discussion with the City.

Ms. Jadusingh stated if approved, there would be an Interlocal Agreement with the City where the CRA would fund the program and the City staff would manage it.

Chair Petrolia confirmed the amount of funding would not go down because of the change in management, it would just be a reduction in requirements on CRA staff.

Commissioner Frankel shared his belief there was a real chance the tennis tournament would not happen in 2021 and noted it could impact the amount needed in the budget. He stated if it does happen, it could be very different. He asked if there had been discussion on the subject.

Ms. Jadusingh answered that there had not been discussion with CRA staff.

Commissioner Frankel stated people are still using the FreeBee, but he hasn't had any complaints that the Downtown Connect is no longer operating. He said in fact, some people appreciate that it is not operating because certain individuals are not able to get transportation to the beach. He said it was nice to see the FreeBee being used in a safe way.

Ms. Jadusingh shared COVID-19 safety measures being utilized by the FreeBee, and said numbers showing Delray Beach is among the largest current markets for the company would be distributed soon. She stated a discussion will be necessary soon regarding the future of the Downtown Connect, as the CRA is still paying to keep the program on call.

Ms. Jadusingh stated the Downtown Connect is being kept on call in case there is a restart or if there are mail deliveries. She noted mail deliveries have slowed down recently, and she has been in conversation with City staff about the future of the program. She said nothing has come of the conversations, but she wanted to make the Board aware.

Vice Chair Johnson said in response to Commissioner Frankel's comments, schools are closed, and a number of people who would normally be working are not. She asserted it would be a good time to determine who the customers of the Downtown Connect are and to make adjustments as needed. She said she was always in favor of running the service in the morning and evenings to give people extra help in getting back and forth. She shared a story about a young man she met who uses the service to get back and forth to the train station to go to work and school. She noted

it was expensive and one day a study should be done on whether they could afford it and whether there was a need.

Chair Petrolia asked for clarification on how funding to keep Downtown Connect on call worked.

Ms. Jadusingh stated the program is being funded at a reduced rate to keep the drivers on call in case they are needed, rather than funding the full program. She said she believed it was approximately half, but she would need to get the numbers.

Commissioner Boylston asserted he wanted to be careful not to use pandemic numbers to make decisions. He noted FreeBee's increase could be due to the Downtown Connect not operating. He stated the CRA had put the transportation program in place as a pilot program and should fund it for the final year.

Continuing, Commissioner Boylston stated he agreed with Vice Chair Johnson that they should use the year to collect data on how the system is used and what it should look like to best serve the population when the City takes it over. He noted they may also find that some people have moved from the shuttle to the FreeBee due to the restrictions and don't go back. He stated it would be the perfect year to really understand what the needs are and how they have changed due to COVID-19.

Chair Petrolia pointed out there is TPA grant funding set aside to purchase trollies or shuttles and said the City should be exploring more environmentally friendly options if the grant would allow for it.

City of Delray Beach Deputy Director Program and Project Management Missie Barletto stated the grant application for \$860,000 in TPA grant funding is already being reviewed at the federal level for the vehicles which were chosen by the CRA in December. She said City staff had explored more environmentally friendly vehicles and had not been able to find an option that fit the grant parameters and the City's needs.

Continuing, Ms. Barletto asserted most of the Downtown Connect ridership comes from people moving from the train station to the downtown area to work and students who take the service to get to Atlantic High School. She pointed out the FreeBee vehicles are not allowed onto Atlantic, so would not be able to replace that portion of the service.

Chair Petrolia stated she understood it was a dead-end conversation but wanted to mention it.

Deputy Vice Chair Gray asked about the situation in Pompey Park. She said knowing the project would eventually be \$25 to \$30 million, there were some immediate needs which could be addressed. She recommended a workshop to discuss projects in the interim, considering what could be used to utilize the largest park in the area.

Continuing, Deputy Vice Chair Gray stated she was getting complaints every day about Pompey Park, including about the tennis courts being overwhelmed because people come from all over the City to play on the free courts. She said she also hears complaints that it is a baseball park and baseball is not the way that it used to be, so the park is not being utilized all year-round. She noted kids can't go out and play soccer without a baseball mound being in the way.

Deputy Vice Chair Gray asserted that in order to active the CRA's largest park every day of the year, they needed to reassess the uses. She noted baseball worked when she was a kid, and every night the lights were on all summer long, but that was no longer the case.

Chair Petrolia asked if the lights were on summer nights before COVID-19, or if it was just a thing of the past.

Deputy Vice Chair Gray stated it was being used for the football season and for some baseball tournaments, but even the basketball courts and swimming pool are not being utilized because of programs.

Chair Petrolia clarified what Deputy Vice Chair Gray meant by programming, asking if she meant there were programs scheduled in the park.

Deputy Vice Chair Gray said there was Little League, but for a short period of time. She stated Pompey Park was going to continue to be a baseball park, she would like to see that it was being activated not only for a short period of time in summer with leagues playing and tournaments going on.

Continuing, Deputy Vice Chair Gray stated they needed to look at the fact that the Delray Rocks don't have a football field of their own. She noted they have a contract with the School Board which expires in the next four (4) or five (5) years and no one is looking at it. She said the Board needs to look at what they are not doing that the parks are not full.

Chair Petrolia asked Ms. Jadusingh to circle back with the amount budget in FY21 for Pompey Park.

Ms. Jadusingh explained \$2.5 million was budgeted in FY20 for construction documents for the Pompey Park project. She noted that may be a rollover into FY21 depending when the City is able to secure a contractor. She suggested any extra funds freed up by budget amendments be earmarked for Pompey Park similar to the way in which Carver Square was funded over time. She said if the Board directs Pompey Park as the next large bite, they can start redirecting any extra funds into that fund to save up.

Continuing, Ms. Jadusingh stated in the short-term, if the CRA wanted to start putting money toward the park, she and Director of Parks and Recreation Sam Metott could put their heads together to come up with ideas.

Commissioner Boylston asserted he and Mr. Metott had discussed ideas for activating the park and said Mr. Metott has a lot of creative ideas to allow everyone to have fun playing. He stated they had also discussed a football field being built behind Village Academy as part of Village Center, and possibly even a field with bleachers for the Delray Rocks. He stated he believed it was a great idea for Ms. Jadusingh and Mr. Metott to get together.

Chair Petrolia suggested the \$6 million allocated for Carver Square could also be reallocated to the park if a developer partner is brought in. She stated there are limited funds each year, but if they can stretch them out and consider what to do each year, it could help to get to the goal.

Deputy Vice Chair Gray asked if Mr. Metott had servicing of the unsafe tennis courts in his budget.

Chair Petrolia noted maintenance should not be neglected in the time being, because it could be five (5) years or longer before funds are fully available for the new park. She asked how items like the pool and tennis courts were being addressed and asked if there was budget to address the issues as needed.

Mr. Metott stated Deputy Vice Chair Gray touched on a number of important things to take note of. He said people would be surprised at the large number of people utilizing the fields at Pompey Park and other parks, with different groups using the space at different times. He stated baseball is about a three (3) month season and football is about a seven (7) month season, though the track program does use the space throughout the year as well.

Continuing, Mr. Metott said staff approached the School Board about renewing the contract on Hilltopper, but they said it was too far out. He noted it was something he was aware of, and they have heard the concerns about the contract for some time.

Deputy Vice Chair Gray asked if the discussion was in writing at all, because the contract still has four (4) or five (5) years to go and the School Board members can change during that time. She stated unless the field at Village was moving forward, she doesn't know how they can sit back and relax because they don't know.

Deputy Vice Chair Gray stated it was kind of embarrassing that the City didn't have a permanent home for the Delray Rocks, considering the professionals they have turned out and the importance of the program. She noted they are practicing at Pompey Park on a baseball field, which blocks the space from other use. She stated there needed to be more happening there aside from practice.

Mr. Metott pointed out the basketball league that plays inside the gym also practices at the outdoor courts at Pompey Park. He stated he understands the concern and will look at what they can do to bring more.

In response to the question about the Delray Rocks practicing, Mr. Metott stated it is common for youth football leagues to practice on a field different from the artificial turf where they play their games. He noted the biggest requirement of a game field to call home is bleachers. He stated the Hilltopper field is a great choice for the team to call home, and he does not foresee issues with it being taken away, but he is looking at options. He said adjacent to the field is Seacrest Soccer Facility which is six (6) fields or so and bleachers could be put there.

Deputy Vice Chair Gray asked if Mr. Metott was aware the soccer people have the same complaint that the cleats tear up their soccer fields. She said she just wanted to highlight that Pompey Park needed to be utilized better than it is.

Deputy Vice Chair Gray stated the baseball field at Block 48 had been made unusable to the Little League teams that previously used it due to new playground equipment which was installed near first base without talking to the Little League organization. She said she was scared to death a kid playing on the playground would get hit in the head, and stated it was not thought out.

Chair Petrolia asked for clarification on the location in question and asked Mr. Metott to respond to the concern.

Mr. Metott noted the Parks and Recreation Department spoke to the athletics department and were told the field had zero reservations for several years. He said it was his understanding it had been used in previous years but did not have need so they decided the playground was a better use of the space. He said the most the field gets is a kickball game once in a while. He listed a number of baseball fields throughout the City that get next to no use, including Plumosa Park, Prairie Commons, and Pine Grove.

Deputy Vice Chair Gray asserted the CRA Board should have a workshop to discuss why they are paying for resod and other maintenance on parks which are not getting use.

Chair Petrolia asked Mr. Metott to respond to the complaint that there are facilities at Pompey Park in need of repair and to address whether there was budget for the needs.

Mr. Metott stated the unfortunate answer is that there are many parks and playgrounds in disrepair throughout Delray Beach, and staff is working to get to them as fast as they can. He stated a concerted effort is being made to build new playgrounds and make repairs. He said staff would like to get those things patched up, so they are safe and enjoyable.

Chair Petrolia asked if Mr. Metott was aware of any leaks at Pompey Park in need of repair.

Mr. Metott stated he was not sure of any leaks specifically but said he would have a team check it out.

Deputy Vice Chair Gray listed maintenance issues, including bathrooms, repainting, and replacement of the outdoor water fountain at Pompey Park and stated the City needed to pay more attention to its facilities.

Ms. Jadusingh stated she would connect with Mr. Metott for an estimate for Pompey Park to add to the budget.

Ms. Jadusingh circled back to the transportation and tennis tournament issues and asked if the Board was comfortable keeping those line items in the budget.

Chair Petrolia said Commissioner Frankel brought up a good point when saying they might not even have a tennis tournament. She asked what part of the \$905,000 would remain a funding commitment the CRA would have if the event was not held. She stated she did not know if it would be all of it or none of it.

Ms. Jadusingh stated she would research the contract and update at the next meeting.

Chair Petrolia asked for and received a consensus to keep the tennis tournament in the FY21 budget. All Commissioners responding were in support. Commissioner Casale stated she did not believe the Board had a choice, as it was a large amount to put on the City.

Chair Petrolia sought a consensus on continuing transportation funding and had a split Commission. Commissioner Frankel, Deputy Vice Chair Gray, and Chair Petrolia were in opposition. Commissioner Brooks was unable to respond due to technical issues, so Ms. Jadusingh was asked to follow up with him after the meeting.

Commissioner Boylston stated they just had to be prepared that the City might not pick it up.

Chair Petrolia stated she would be amenable to funding transportation to the end of the contract, but not beyond.

Commissioner Frankel said he is hearing the Downtown Connect brings a lot of students from Atlantic High School and other schools. He asked who has reached out to the schools or other transportation companies for funding potential, noting he sees it as an important service but thinks they should investigate sharing the cost with partners who get the benefit.

Commission Boylston disagreed and said the decision was whether to provide transportation above and beyond that provided by other entities. He said it was ridiculous to think like that and asserted the CRA made decisions to provide services above and beyond the services offered by other entities. He stated the Board had agreed to fund the project through the end of the contract and he thought they should stay true to their word.

Chair Petrolia switched her vote to yes, through the end of the contract.

Vice Chair Johnson addressed providing transportation for students, and said she believed going to the School Board would create issues with those coming from other areas. She stated she did not want to see students having to walk or have to go to a school that is closer to them, and said she likes the program the way it is.

Commissioner Casale reiterated that she believed the program should be kept with the CRA through the contract. She said they all know what the City is facing with the budget, so it would be a difficult time to make changes.

Commissioner Frankel noted he had suggested the partners contribute, not foot the bill. He stated if the students and people going to work were the users, the Downtown Connect did not need to run in the middle of the day or on weekends and could realize large savings through cutting hours. He said taking into consideration the purpose of the Downtown Connect, they could make adjustments when things are back up and running.

Chair Petrolia stated there was a consensus that the transportation should remain in the budget.

Additional Items

Ms. Jadusingh outlined additional items proposed for inclusion in the FY21 budget, including the potential for two (2) or three (3) CRA staff to assist with small businesses and community development, \$2 million in support of affordable housing initiatives, and beginning the due diligence for development of the NW 800 block of W Atlantic Avenue.

Continuing, Ms. Jadusingh explained Curb Appeal grants had previously been approved administratively by the City staff. She stated it was her proposal that responsibility for administrative approval be shifted to CRA staff.

Commissioner Boylston thanked Ms. Jadusingh for the review and noted a lot of the items had been in line with conversations the Board had been having. He stated he was in favor of bridging the gap in the affordable housing space, but expressed concern regarding a for sale, family wealth-building townhome product in the community being converted to an apartment rental.

Ms. Jadusingh noted there was an opportunity with the Housing Authority in the Village Square Phase III, which was previously for sale and now was being switched to a rental. She stated she would bring the item before the CRA Board in the coming months, but the Housing Authority was starting the conversation in pursuit of assistance.

Commissioner Boylston stated he was in favor and understood the move, but felt the Board needed to consider that the project that was to be an affordable home was no longer going to be for sale. He said the CRA should consider that when looking at future affordable home projects.

Chair Petrolia noted she agreed wealth-building was important but said there was also a need in the community for affordable rentals. She stated not everyone could afford to purchase a home, and it depended on what they were finding a need for.

Commissioner Frankel thanked Ms. Jadusingh for the information sent out to the Commissioners regarding the NW 800 block of W Atlantic Avenue, and said he hoped a project using containers remained top of mind. He noted he was looking at pictures of the old Wynwood Yard and thought it would be a great way to activate the space and very popular.

Ms. Jadusingh stated staff is looking at containers, food trucks, and a combination of both for activating the neighborhood. She said a cement pad may be necessary for containers, so that part of the process may take longer. She noted that would be how the due diligence period was used, to work with a designer and come up with the best plan.

Chair Petrolia noted any plan to activate the area also needs to take into consideration the brick and mortar establishments already in place. She stated a lot of people on the Avenue are really trying to make ends meet, so balance was needed.

Deputy Vice Chair Gray said she would be in support of a plan to activate W Atlantic, and stated she agreed balance was necessary. She noted the first food truck in Delray Beach, which is more than 40 years old, was up for sale and could be used as some type of landmark.

Ms. Jadusingh stated a full draft budget would be available at the next meeting in August and adoption would be in September.

Vice Chair Johnson outlined a potential budget request to add to the discussion. She stated the CRA had done an excellent job at opening up alleys, but neither the City nor the CRA seems to have follow up with maintenance. She recommended a budget for maintenance of new alleys. She said she would much rather leave them in the condition they were than have them look the way they do now.

Chair Petrolia agreed, stating the City needs to do better at maintaining projects once they are completed, including alleys and roads. She asked Vice Chair Johnson to bring the item to the next City Commission meeting.

B. 22 NORTH SWINTON AVENUE – HISTORIC WELLBROCK HOUSE UPDATE

Ms. Jadusingh provided a brief update on 22 North Swinton Ave, the historic Wellbrock House which the CRA moved late last year. The single-family home, built in 1937, was added to the local register of historic places and approved by the Historic Preservation Board on July 1, 2020. Plans are to utilize the home as an extension of CRA office space.

Continuing, Ms. Jadusingh stated color samples for the project will be submitted to the City for approval and asked the Board for input. She noted the Historic Preservation Board will also have to approve the color choices, offering images of peach and white options.

Commissioner Boylston confirmed the original paint color was white, and said he leaned toward that color for that reason.

Chair Petrolia agreed.

Vice Chair Johnson said she was the opposite, and thought the community needed more color. She stated Old School Square was also more or less white.

Commissioner Casale stated she would select the white because it looked best sitting next to the current yellow house.

Commissioner Frankel stated the peach was his choice, but he would be fine with whatever the people who have to go there every day choose. He wished the staff good luck on getting through the Historic Preservation Board.

Chair Petrolia stated the house would look good either way, and she assumed it would be largely up to the opinion of the Historic Preservation Board.

Commissioner Brooks said he agreed with Commissioner Frankel on the peach.

Chair Petrolia asked Deputy Vice Chair Gray to connect with Ms. Jadusingh to break the tie because she did not have video.

5. Other Business

a. Comments by Executive Director

None.

b. Comments by Board Attorney

None.

c. Comments by Commissioners

Vice Chair Johnson thanked Ms. Jadusingh and staff for all of their hard work, and said she was looking forward to the rest of the budget review.

City Finance Director Marie Kalka clarified that the CRA was looking to fund the transportation pilot through the contract period, and the City would be taking over management and funding of the project after that time.

Chair Petrolia stated that was the consensus of the Board.

Chair Petrolia asked that Ms. Barletto follow up on the earlier discussion about what garage was covered by the City funding request.

Ms. Barletto confirmed the budget line item was for maintenance of both City parking garages.

6. Adjournment

| There being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 3:36 p.m. | |
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| Renee Jadusingh, Executive Director | Shirley Ervin Johnson, Board Chair |