#### **MINUTES**

# BAHAMA VILLAGE REDEVELOPMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OLD CITY HALL, 510 GREENE STREET

#### MONDAY, MARCH 7, 2011

A regular meeting of the Bahama Village Redevelopment Advisory Committee of the City of Key West, Florida, was held in Commission Chambers, Old City Hall, 510 Greene Street, on Monday, March 7, 2011.

Madam Chair Turner called the meeting to order at 5:29 P.M.

Answering roll call were Committee Members Dr. Randy Becker, Jerry Curtis, Peggy Ward-Grant, Warren Leamard and Madam Chair Carmen Turner.

Committee Member Annette Mobley arrived at 5:43 P.M.

Vice-Chair Aaron Castillo arrived at 6:09 P.M.

Also present were Assistant City Manager Mark Finigan, Planner Nicole Malo and Deputy City Clerk Angela Budde along with members of the community.

The pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America was given by all present.

#### **CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:**

Madam Chair Turner asked for any changes to be made to the agenda.

Dr. Becker requested Discussion Item "Meeting Schedule" be heard prior to Presentations.

Without opposition, the agenda was accepted as changed.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

February 3, 2011 (Regular)

It was moved by Dr. Becker and seconded by Ms. Ward-Grant to approve the minutes.

Madam Chair Turner acknowledged the motion and second and requested verbal approval. The response was unanimous to approve the minutes.

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

## Meeting Schedule (Madam Chair Turner)

Madam Chair Turner read the title of the item.

Madam Chair opened the discussion by asking the members if they were interested in having meetings every other month or to continue meeting monthly as they have been.

Dr. Becker suggested meeting in April, June, and August and then reverting to a monthly schedule for the remainder of the year beginning in September and Madam Chair Turner concurred with Dr. Becker on his suggestion. Madam Chair Turner stated the item before them was a discussion item only and the Clerk advised she would place an Action item on the April agenda for the members to vote on accepting the amended meeting schedule as proposed.

#### **PRESENTATIONS:**

## Neighborhood Accountability Board (NAB) update by Pastor Dr. Magby (Mr. Leamard)

Madam Chair Turner read the title of the item.

Dr. Magby gave the Committee a report updating the current status on the Neighborhood Accountability Board (NAB) program and a discussion among the members with Dr. Magby took place. As the discussion continued, Dr. Magby asked would NAB be viewed unfavorably for receipt of future funding if she were to voluntarily relinquish the unclaimed TIFF money that was awarded

to NAB back in May of 2010? Madam Chair Turner advised the Committee and City staff would need time to review the guidelines before answering her question.

## A Positive Step program amended application. (ACM Finigan)

Madam Chair Turner read the title of the item.

City Associate Nicole Malo requested to have the item postponed to the end of the meeting as she had anticipated the applicant would be in attendance by then.

Madam Chair Turner announced the item will be heard later in the agenda.

## Review of current status of Programs & Projects awarded TIFF (ACM Finigan)

Madam Chair Turner read the title of the item.

ACM Finigan gave the following summary of the projects and programs awarded TIFF monies:

#### Fiscal Year 2009/2010

a) Community Policing program		Completed
b) Coral City Elks Lodge 47		
o Awarded o Spent		90,000.00
c) Neighborhood Accountability Board (NAB)		
<ul><li>Awarded</li><li>Spent</li></ul>		570,000.00 5 2.261.51
d) American Legion Post 168 (VFW)		
o Awarded o Spent		\$50,000.00 \$42,000.00

## e) Nelson English/Willie Ward Park Enhancements

O Pending contract w/City for Design, Construction & Engineering services.

#### Fiscal Year 2010/2011

### f) A Positive Step Program of Monroe County

o Awarded

\$70,000.00

#### g) American Legion Post 168 (VFW)

o Awarded

\$310,000.00

## h) New United Methodist Church (Newman)

o Awarded

\$88,141.00

## i) St. James Missionary Baptist Church

o Awarded

\$87,500.00

#### **COMMENTS:**

#### **Public Comments**

None

#### **Committee Comments**

Mr. Jerry Curtis advised the Committee of his involvement as a Board member serving on the Truman Waterfront Advisory Board (TWAB) in discussions regarding ideas to generate revenue streams for the undeveloped 6.6 Acre parcel. He encouraged the Committee members to become involved in attending TWAB meetings and bring forth their ideas that have the potential

for creating revenue and he went on to say any of the taxes collected from the portion of land belonging to the Bahama Village sub-area in the 6.6 Acres would be paid back into TIFF.

## 6) Truman Waterfront CRA (Vice-Chair Castillo)

Madam Chair Turner read the title of the item.

Vice-Chair Castillo spoke in favor of Mr. Curtis's suggestion to have the Committee become active in TWAB's discussions on potential income sources.

Madam Chair Turner suggested having a Discussion item placed on the June agenda by Mr. Curtis for bringing forth ideas to generate revenue streams on the 6.6 acres and this would allow Mr. Curtis to take the Committee's proposals to the Truman Waterfront Advisory Board.

## A Positive Step program amended application. (ACM Finigan)

Madam Chair Turner read the title of the item.

Applicant Billy Davis was not present at the meeting. With the Committee's permission ACM Finigan spoke on the matter reporting that Mr. Davis had approached him with an amended application reflecting a reduction in the scope of the program to a new amount of \$106,641.75. The amended application was provided on-line to each Committee member with a cover letter from Mr. Davis acknowledging the original grant award of \$70,000.00 and for the program to provide the difference of \$33,542.00. Mr. Davis and ACM Finigan discussed their difference of opinions on the monetary obligations of the program where it was agreed by both parties to have the amended application brought before the Committee for approval.

Madam Chair Turner asked what the will of the Committee was and she gave two options; to hold Mr. Davis to his original 1 to 1 match (50%) or keeping the grant award of

\$70,000.00 and Mr. Davis would be responsible for the difference of \$33,542.00. Ms. Mobley asked where the program is operating from and ACM Finigan advised the program currently does not have a location in the Bahama Village sub-area and that according to Mr. Davis's letter he is actively looking for a location to operate from. The consensus of the Committee was to hold the program to a 1 to 1 match with the grant amount of \$53, 320.875. Madam Chair Turner asked the item be placed on the next agenda for approving the amended application.

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business Madam Chair Turner adjourned the meeting at 6:29 P.M.

Angela Budde, Clerk of the Committee

Deputy City Clerk