#### **MINUTES**

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

# THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2013

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 Thursday, December 5, 2013.

Chairman Castillo called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

Answering roll call were Committee Members Dr. Randy Becker, Patricia Eables, Clifford Mingo, Annette Mobley, Rudy Riva, Marci Rose and Chairman Aaron Castillo.

Also present were Planner Nicole Malo, Director of Community Development Services Don Craig, Executive Aide to the Mayor and Commissioners and Clerk of the Committee Vivian Perez and 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:**

Chairman Castillo asked for any changes to be made to the agenda.

Under Presentations, Ms. Malo asked the Committee to let Mr. Christopher Norway of KWAfrican Festival to give his presentation first.

Without opposition, the agenda was accepted with the change.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

November 7, 2013 (Regular)

A motion was made by Committee Member Becker and seconded by Committee Member Mobley to approve the minutes of November 7, 2013 as read.

Chairman Castillo acknowledged the motion and second and asked for verbal approval.

The response was unanimous to approve the Minutes.

## **DISCUSSION ITEM #2**

# REVIEW OF RANKING PROCESS AND EVALUATION FORM (Mr. Craig)

Chairman Castillo read the title of the item.

The following people spoke on the matter:

Don Craig, Director of Community Development Services

Mr. Craig advised the Committee they will be presented with a ranking form to rank their top three choices using a 1-0-2 point system. One (1) point if the objective has been met, Zero (0) points if the objective has not been met and Two (2) point if the objective has been exceeded.

Mr. Craig advised the Committee the total amount funding available for the 2014 Community Redevelopment Trust Fund (CRTIF) is approximately \$400,000.

After a discussion on the ranking process, each member agreed to the ranking process.

#### **DISCUSSION ITEM#3**

## **RELOCATION OF COMMUNITY GARDENS (Ms. Higgins)**

Chair read the title of the item.

The following people spoke on the matter:

Alison Higgins, Sustainability Coordinator Alison Morales, Florida Department of Health, Monroe County

Ms. Higgins updated the Committee on the status of the relocation of the Community Gardens.

#### **DISCUSSION ITEM#4**

# CONSISTENCY OF APPLICATION DEADLINE (Dr. Becker)

Chair read the title of the item.

The following people spoke on the matter:

Don Craig, Director of Community Development Services Nicole Malo, Planner

Dr. Becker ask for this item to be added to the agenda so the Committee could discuss the application process and the fact the deadline was extended to some applicants.

Under discussion some Committee members believe the deadlines should be strictly adhere to and other Committee members did not have an issue with extending the deadlines. After discussion it was determine City staff would continue to use their best judgment on extending the deadline but issue the deadlines sparingly if at all.

## PRESENTATION ITEM# 5

# PRESENTATION FROM 2014 APPLICANTS FOR TIF FUNDING (Mr. Craig)

Chair read the title of the item.

The following people spoke on the matter:

Don Craig, Director of Community Development Services Nicole Malo, Planner

Mr. Craig reminded the Committee about the new Code of Silence.

Committee Member Eables stated one of the applicants is her client therefore she has a conflict and stepped down from the dais.

Committee Members Rivas stated he talk to the City Attorney's Office regarding Bethel AME and his association with the church and it was determine there was no conflict since Bethel AME is a not for profit organization.

Committee Member Clifford Mingo was wondering whether or not he should step down from the dais due to the fact he is family with the applicants of 213 Petronia Street.

Mr. Craig asked Member Mingo a series of questions to determine whether or not he had a conflict, it was determine (without legal counsel present) there was no conflict.

Applicants gave a 5 minute presentation to the Committee.

Mr. Christopher Norway presented the KWAfrican Festival Project.

Mr. Michael Miller and Mr. Donald Carey presented the Newman United Methodist project.

Mr. Mark Moss presented the KWHS Green Future and Jobs project.

Mr. Mark Moss presented the Habitat for Humanity project.

Mr. Hugh Morgan presented the 213 Petronia Street project.

There was no one available to present the Bethel AME project.

Committee Member Eables returned to the dais.

#### **COMMENTS:**

## a) Citizen Comments:

There were no Citizen Comments

## b) Committee Comments:

Committee Member Dr. Randy Becker asked that staff please put an action item on the next meeting's agenda giving LRA and the City Commission recommendations for the use of the vacant Truman Waterfront parcel.

# ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business Chairman Castillo adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Vivian Perez, Administrative Aide to the Mayor and Commissioners, Clerk of the Committee