

**ENGLEWOOD COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AREA  
ADVISORY BOARD (CRA)  
Minutes of May 11, 2006 Meeting**

A regular meeting of the Englewood Community Redevelopment Area Advisory Board (CRA) was held Thursday, May 11, 2006, at Lemon Bay Park, 570 Bay Park Boulevard, Englewood, Florida.

**Members Present :**

Mary Ellen Diez, Chairwoman  
John Fellin, Vice-Chairman  
Lise Yust  
John Radkins  
Richard Howell

**Others Present:**

Shannon Staub, BCC

**Absent:**

Robert Collins

**Staff Present**

Chris Davis  
Elaine Wickwire  
Warren Richardson  
Jane Grogg  
Terry Boswell  
Dave Young  
Dennis Myers

**Call to Order**

Chairwoman Diez called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. There was a quorum present.

**Approval of Minutes**

Mr. Fellin **moved** to approve the Minutes of September 8, 2005, with the correct spelling of Mr. "Truex". The motion was seconded by Mr. Radkins and carried unanimously.

Mr. Fellin **moved** to approve the Minutes of October 6, 2005. The motion was seconded by Mr. Radkins and carried unanimously.

Mr. Howell **moved** to approve the Minutes of April 13, 2006. The motion was seconded by Mr. Radkins and carried unanimously.

Mr. Radkins **moved** to approve the Minutes of April 27, 2006. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fellin and carried unanimously.

**Sarasota County Land Development and Zoning**

Mr. Terry Boswell, General Manager of Sarasota County Land Development Services, explained the development regulations and the process for the Main Street Overlay District.

Discussion ensued regarding the parking requirements and it was noted that requirements are based upon the usage and that plans are submitted to Mary Beth Humphries, Zoning Administrator.

Mr. Dave Young answered questions posed by Board Members regarding daylight plane, flood plain and vacant property. Mr. Boswell noted the benefits of meeting FEMA requirements with new construction.

Mr. Dennis Myers presented examples of commercial projects as it relates to flood proofing as well as compliance with the American Disabilities Act.

#### **Board Discussion on Development Issues**

Ms. Yust presented comments regarding ideas for the Lemon Bay Playhouse parking.

Ms. Davis reported that the stormwater report will be completed by the consultant by the end of May with a final report by the end of June.

#### **Staff Report**

#### **Draft Language for Amendment to the Town Center Plan Ordinance No. 97-015**

Ms. Davis submitted and outlined the "Draft Changes to Ordinance No. 97-015" as well as expansion maps.

Discussion ensued regarding working hours for the Light Office/Arts District, and the size of the structure as it relates to the percentage of retail space.

#### **Draft Scope of Services for the CRA Plan Update**

Ms. Davis presented the background information on the scope of services. It was discussed that desired goals, community visions and outcomes will need to be determined. It was further noted that public input will be received on this issue.

#### **Streetscape Improvements**

Discussion ensued regarding how to obtain additional parking (i.e. angled parking). It is the goal to add 450-600 additional parking spaces within the next five years.

Ms. Davis noted that there is a new Florida Code allowing for signage in unincorporated areas.

#### **Future CRA Projects**

Discussion ensued regarding who will oversee the projects that have the potential to disrupt Dearborn Street. This may be coordinated through DMK or County staff.

Mr. Fellin **moved** to request assistance for the coordination of projects on Dearborn Street. The motion was seconded by Mr. Radkins and carried unanimously.

#### **Open to the Public**

Ms. Deborah Lee, Arts Alliance Advisory Board, requested that this board be consulted on discussions related to the arts overlay district.

#### **Advisory Board Comments/Reports**

Brief discussions ensued regarding the co-op marketing plan and coordinating with Old Englewood Village Association.

Ms. Elaine Miller-Sanchez inquired regarding Giler Architects making a presentation at the next meeting, and discussion ensued regarding same.

It was noted that the Architectural Guidelines will be available on line.

**Next Meeting**

The next special meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 25, 2006 at 1:00 p.m., Lemon Bay Park, 570 Bay Park Blvd., Englewood.

**Adjournment**

Hearing no further business, Chairwoman Diez adjourned the meeting at 2:50 p.m.