

# Englewood Redevelopment Area (CRA) Advisory Board Meeting

Amended Meeting Minutes of Thursday, September 9, 2010 1:00 p.m.

## I. Call to Order

Chairman John Davison called to order the regular meeting of the Englewood Redevelopment Area (CRA) Advisory Board at 1:09 p.m. on Thursday, September 9, 2010, at the CRA Office, 101 North Orange Street, Englewood, FL 34223.

## II. Roll Call

**Present:** John Davison, Chairman, Vice Chairman, John Radkins, Norman Caldwell and Mary Ellen Diez.

**Absent/Excused:** Todd Tracy, John Mead

John Radkins arrived at 1:15 p.m.

### Sarasota County Staff Present

Debbie Marks, CRA Coordinator  
Jodi Morris, Administrative Specialist

## III. Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting

Chairman Davison asked for approval of the August 19, 2010 minutes.

**Motion:** To accept the August 19, 2010 minutes as written. **Action:** Unanimously Approve. **Moved by** Norman Caldwell **Seconded by** John Radkins.

**Absent:** Todd Tracy.

## IV. Old Business

- Update on Low Impact Design (LID) Project

Elaine Miller invited everyone to look at the display boards for the LID project which show the design layouts block by block. The Team is finalizing the 90% submission to the County and will wrap everything up in the next few weeks. What is being finalized are improvements on Dearborn Street. The LID was the major portion of the work inclusive in that is street beautification. The beautification will include parallel parking, additional diagonal parking, replacing sidewalks with porous pavers, adding landscaping, and reconfiguring the benches.

- FY2011 Budget

Debbie Marks updated the committee on the 2011 budget. She indicated this was the same budget that was seen in June. Nothing has changed and the Board of County Commissioners has not suggested any changes.

#### V. New Business

- Resignation of Board Member

Chairman Davison announced the resignation of Harry Colburn from the board. Debbie Marks informed everyone of the advertisement for this position.

#### VI. Comments/Reports

- Community Outreach Committee

Debbie Marks stated Don Schilke was gathering information to bring to the board from the Office of Community Housing and Development with regard to how many loans have been applied for, awarded, etc. Don stated this committee is coming to a close. There are four applications in progress and nothing has been funded to date. Don will come back next month with their closing report.

- Sustainable Learning Center

Debbie Marks announced a Ribbon Cutting for the playground at Kiwanis Park on October 9<sup>th</sup> at 1:15 p.m. The Englewood Center for Sustainability will also have displays at the event.

- Status of Rezoning on Dearborn Street

Debbie Marks stated the rezoning are moving forward. She has a site plan done and will be taking it out to the property owners in the upcoming weeks.

- Cherokee/Harbor Properties

Debbie Marks noted we received comments from Department of Environmental Protection and West Coast Navigational Water District is handling the responses.

Debbie Marks stated she met out there today with our County Facilities Manager regarding the width of the dock. The boat lift will not clear the new deck. They also noticed holes along the seawall. WCIND will be handling the repairs.

Debbie also noted that boat parking needs to go through a permitting process. She is waiting the information from the Manager of Natural Resources in order to process the permit. The neighbor to the north of 10 Harbor would like the parking be along the side where the house would block the view instead of along the back. Debbie will have an update by the next meeting.

- Events

Debbie Marks thanked Eric Phelps and the volunteers for the work on the Pioneer Day Parade. Chairman Davison stated several news crews and newspapers did coverage for this event. John Radkins stated having the streets closed was a great idea. Eric was upset that several shops were closed during the festivities.

Debbie Marks announced upcoming events. The Buchan Fly-In is October 9<sup>th</sup> starting at 9 a.m. followed by Kiwanis Park Playground Dedication at 1:15 pm. Halloween Safewalk will be October 31<sup>st</sup> from 4 to 6 p.m.

Russ Kyper announced several details about the Buchan Fly-in. A cater will be making custom omelets for \$6.00 including juice, coffee and choice of pastry. He also mentioned admission and parking is free.

Elaine announced OEVA is collecting money and candy donations for the safewalk. She also stated several donation boxes will be placed in stores for point of purchase. The store will collect money and place candy into the donation boxes. She divides the candy amongst the stores who want candy.

Debbie Marks stated she received an invoice from Bobbie Marquis for OEVA website work. Bobbie thought she still had funds available in this year's budget due to miscommunication at June's budget meeting. Debbie does not think there is money in the budget to pay this invoice. She will look into budget to see what can be paid if the board agrees.

**Motion:** If money is left over in the budget go ahead and pay this invoice. **Action:** Unanimously Approve. **Moved by** Norman Caldwell. **Seconded by** Mary Ellen Diez.

## VII. Open to Public

Eric Phelps asked if Pioneer Day had any funds available next year. Debbie Marks stated none were allocated for next year.

Eric Phelps how often the Stantec plan is referred to. Debbie Marks stated the plan is looked at anytime a project is done. She said the plan is reviewed every five years for reconsideration. A brief discussion ensued.

Dawn Moore announced her candidacy for the Charter Review Board, stating that she lived in Englewood.

### Board Comments

- a) Norman Caldwell – Thanked everyone for their input and attendance.
- b) Vice-Chairman Todd Tracy – Absent
- c) John Mead – Absent
- d) Chairman John Davison – Has lots of good ideas and hope everyone returns. Thanked everyone for coming.

- e) John Radkins – Thanked Debbie for reminding him of the meeting.
- f) Mary Ellen Diez – Thanked Eric for a great parade.

### **Agenda for October 14, 2010**

Full Plan on LID

### **Adjournment**

Chairman Davison adjourned the meeting at 2:12 p.m.

Non-Board member sign-in attendance count: 8