



HISTORIC TOWN OF EATONVILLE, FLORIDA
REGULAR CRA MEETING
JANUARY 15, 2026, AT 6:30 PM
Cover Sheet

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ITEM TITLE: Approval of Resolution CRA-R- 2026-4 The Lawrence Development Consultant Service Agreement

COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT ACTION:

CRA DECISION		Department:
CONSENT AGENDA	YES	Exhibits: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Resolution CRA-2026-4• Consultant Bio• Consultant Agreement
NEW BUSINESS		
ADMINISTRATIVE		
CRA DISCUSSION		

REQUEST: Approval of Resolution CRA- R-2026-4

SUMMARY: The Executive Director have grounded the cost-sharing language in the Development Consultant Service Agreement with Matthew Lawrence / Lawrence Development Group, which establishes a not-to-exceed compensation of \$25,000 plus approved reimbursable expenses Development Consultant Service and reflects his role as a Special Advisor providing real estate development, financial, and planning advisory services.

RECOMMENDATION: Approval of Resolution 2026-4 under emergency provisions to support a collaborative effort between the TOE and the TOE CRA to ensure representation of interest is properly reflected when dealing with redevelopment within the CRA District

FISCAL & EFFICIENCY DATA: CRA Budget – Professional Services - \$179,112.00

RESOLUTION CRA-2026-4

A RESOLUTION OF THE TOWN OF EATONVILLE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY AUTHORIZING THE SHARED FUNDING OF DEVELOPMENT CONSULTING AND ADVISORY SERVICES PROVIDED BY MATTHEW LAWRENCE AND/OR HIS AFFILIATED COMPANY; APPROVING A FIFTY PERCENT (50%) COST SHARE WITH THE TOWN OF EATONVILLE; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICT; SEVERABILITY; AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS the Town of Eatonville Community Redevelopment Agency ("CRA") is authorized pursuant to Chapter 163, Florida Statutes, to undertake redevelopment activities within the community redevelopment area; and

WHEREAS the CRA has entered into a Development Consultant Service Agreement with Matthew Lawrence, through Lawrence Homes, Inc., d/b/a Lawrence Development Group, to provide development consulting and advisory services, with compensation not to exceed Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00), plus approved reimbursable expenses; and

WHEREAS the CRA Board of Directors finds that the services provided by Matthew Lawrence and/or his affiliated company provide a direct benefit to both the CRA and the Town of Eatonville; and

WHEREAS the CRA Board of Directors desires to equitably share the cost of such services with the Town of Eatonville in recognition of the joint public benefit; and

WHEREAS the CRA Board of Directors declare the need for these services as an emergency to protect the interest of both the Town of Eatonville and the Eatonville CRA; and

WHEREAS the CRA Board of Directors authorize the expenditure to come out the professional services budget line item; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE TOWN OF EATONVILLE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY:

SECTION ONE: AUTHORIZATION. The CRA Board of Directors hereby authorizes the CRA to fund fifty percent (50%) of the total cost of development consulting and advisory services provided by Matthew Lawrence and/or his affiliated company pursuant to the applicable Development Consultant Service Agreement.

SECTION TWO: AMOUNT AND FUNDING. The CRA's financial obligation under this Resolution shall not exceed fifty percent (50%) of the total authorized contract amount of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00), plus fifty percent (50%) of any approved reimbursable expenses, subject to the availability of legally appropriated CRA funds.

SECTION THREE: ADMINISTRATION. The CRA Executive Director is hereby authorized to take all actions necessary to implement this Resolution, including coordination with the Town of Eatonville regarding invoicing and payment.

SECTION FOUR: CONFLICTS. All resolutions or parts thereof in conflict with the provisions of this Resolution are hereby repealed to the extent of such conflict.

SECTION FIVE: SEVERABILITY. If any section or portion of a section of this Resolution is found to be invalid, unlawful, or unconstitutional, such finding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this Resolution.

SECTION SIX: EFFECTIVE DATE. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its passage and adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of the Town of Eatonville Community Redevelopment Agency this 20TH day of JANUARY, 2026.

Angie Gardner, Chair

ATTEST:

Shakeila Jones CRA Secretary

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND CORRECTNESS:

Greg Jackson, CRA Attorney