



MINUTES

Community Redevelopment Agency Meeting

5:30 PM – Thursday, January 16, 2025 – City Hall

Call to Order: 5:32 p.m.

Acknowledgement of Quorum and Proper Notice

PRESENT: Ms. Emily Lee, Mr. George Asbate, Vice Chair Gary Ashcraft, Chairman Willie Hawkins

ABSENT: Mr. Michael Holland

1. Approval of Minutes

1.1 December 12, 2024 CRA Meeting

Motion made by Vice Chair Ashcraft, Seconded by Ms. Lee, to approve the Minutes. Motion passed on the following vote:

Voting Yea: Ms. Lee, Mr. Asbate, Vice Chair Ashcraft, Chair Hawkins

2. CRA Item with Board Discussion, Public Input and Direction

2.1 CRA Resolution Number 25-01: Adoption of Downtown Master Plan

Miranda Burrowes, Assistant City Manager, stated that the City Manager is requesting that Resolution Number 25-01 be postponed until after the workshop.

Vice Chair Ashcraft asked why they need another workshop and why it needs to be deferred.

Chairman Hawkins explained that CRA funds were used to purchase the downtown property.

Discussion was held regarding the CRA downtown master plan and what it is used for.

Sasha Garcia, City Attorney, explained that the CRA does own the lots and this would be a recommendation to the Commission for incorporation of the downtown master plan into the redevelopment plan. She explained that would be necessary to allow the use of CRA funds.

Chairman Hawkins agreed that they need to be more informed prior to considering the plan.

Tanya Wilder, CRA East Town Representative, agreed with the need to obtain more information.

Al Latimer, Economic Development Director, explained the master plan, once approved, would be adopted into the redevelopment plan. He stated the redevelopment plan is what governs how the CRA may spend its money.

Chairman Hawkins opened the floor to public comment. No one came forward at that time.

Motion made by Ms. Lee, Seconded by Mr. Asbate, to postpone consideration of CRA Resolution Number 25-01 until after a future workshop. Motion passed on the following vote:

Voting Yea: Ms. Lee, Mr. Asbate, Vice Chair Ashcraft, Chair Hawkins

Ms. Burrowes proposed the following date for the workshop: Thursday, January 30th. Mr. Asbate indicated he would not be available. It was tentatively agreed to meet on Thursday, February 13th, for the workshop.

3. Adjournment: 5:45 p.m.

**These minutes reflect the actions taken and portions of the discussion during the meeting. To review the entire discussion concerning any agenda item, go to www.eustis.org and click on the video for the meeting in question. A DVD of the entire meeting or CD of the entire audio recording of the meeting can be obtained from the office of the City Clerk for a fee.*

CHRISTINE HALLORAN
City Clerk

WILLIE HAWKINS
Chairman