

1 **MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD** of the City of
2 Orange City, Florida, held on Tuesday, April 25, 2017 at 6:00 p.m., 201 N. Holly Avenue, Orange City.

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4 **1. CALL TO ORDER**

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6 The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Blair and roll call was taken.

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8 **2. ROLL CALL**

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| 10 | Council Member O'Connor | Present |
| 11 | Council Member Allebach | Present |
| 12 | Council Member Mahoney | Present |
| 13 | Council Member Pupello | Present |
| 14 | Council Member Robinson | Present |
| 15 | Vice Mayor O. William Crippen | Present |
| 16 | Mayor Gary A. Blair | Present |
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18 **3. Consideration of Engineering and Design Services in Support of State Revolving**
19 **Fund Loan Deadline**

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21 Raul Palenzuela, City Engineer provided a detailed PowerPoint presentation (a copy of which is
22 attached and becomes a permanent part of these minutes) of the City's strategic plan goals. He
23 explained that the objectives of the plan were to move forward and integrate the plan with the CRA
24 goals and to commit the funds by the deadline of the State Revolving Fund (SRF) loan. Mr. Palenzuela
25 described the four different phases and the design services from several firms that would be needed.
26 Mr. Palenzuela presented a timeline beginning on March 31, 2017 to November 2017. He presented the
27 professional services and the design fees for all the services needed.

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29 Mr. Palenzuela noted that overall the project funding needed is between \$6.18 and \$6.20 million for all
30 phases. This amount includes funding that has already been received and anticipated funding from
31 future grants. He recommended approval to begin the stormwater project quickly to comply with the
32 SRF loan deadline. The City will then have the remaining twenty years to pay the loan off thus making
33 the payments more affordable.

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35 Council Member Mahoney clarified that the vote tonight is to authorize the plans needed to qualify for
36 the SRF loan rate. Mr. Palenzuela commented that the vote tonight is to secure Council approval to
37 commit \$280,000 to move forward with the project because there are only two months left to meet the
38 loan deadline.

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40 Council Member O'Connor questioned what the benefit would be to residents. Mr. Palenzuela
41 explained that the advantages are improving the viability of the downtown area, creating more activity,
42 and revenue sources to make the CRA more sustainable and to address drainage issues.

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44 Council Member O'Connor asked if future connectivity to the stormwater system was in place. Ms.
45 Arrington replied that new developments are required to install their own stormwater system. However,
46 there are several developments that predate the stormwater laws and these residents are subject to
47 periodic flooding when there is a severe storm. Ms. Arrington stated that previous Councils have
48 developed a master priority list for three different stormwater projects. The top two priorities were the

1 Graves Ave. basin and the Marshall Pond area. After those projects are completed the plan is to review
2 the stormwater projects every four to five years until the entire City is completed. Ms. Arrington stated
3 that there is a master list available for the order in which the previous Council wanted to proceed and if
4 Council wanted to consider that list then another hearing could be scheduled.

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6 Council Member O'Connor stated that he did not think another hearing was necessary, however, he
7 stated that he would like to see the list. Ms. Arrington replied that she will send a copy.

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9 Mr. Palenzuela explained the benefits with regards to stormwater. He noted that there is enough volume
10 in Mill Lake to provide a lot of the treatment that is required. Developments in the CRA would have to
11 pre-treat on their properties; it makes it easier and more attractive for businesses that would want to
12 invest in that area.

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14 Ms. Arrington asked Mr. Palenzuela if he could treat all four phases as one project and bid them out
15 together at one time. Mr. Palenzuela replied that he would really like to get started with phase one and
16 then phases 2-4 should be done together.

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18 Council Member Mahoney asked why Mr. Palenzuela made the distinction between phase one and
19 phases two through four. Mr. Palenzuela replied that the City has already begun shoveling the ground
20 and phase one could begin right away to meet the State Revolving Fund loan timeline.

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22 Council Member Allebach asked if developers for these projects have already submitted proposals.
23 Ms. Arrington replied that a kick off meeting has already been scheduled because of the urgency to
24 begin this project.

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26 **Council Member O'Connor moved that the City Council authorize the expense of**
27 **\$189,624.05 as outlined and authorize all the work orders and deliverables for the**
28 **stormwater and CRA projects, seconded by Vice Mayor Crippen and passed by a**
29 **7/0 roll call vote of the City Council.**

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31 Council Member O'Connor stated he appreciated the 6:00 p.m. start time for the CRA meeting.

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33 Council Member Robinson asked whether these plans would assist the citizens on Blue Springs Ave.
34 who experience flooding problems when there is a heavy rain. Mr. Palenzuela replied, that after
35 completion of the projects he expects that area would drain into Mill Lake.

36 37 **4. Adjourn**

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40 There being no further business to discuss, the CRA Board Meeting was adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

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43 Respectfully Submitted

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46 Melani Brown, Deputy City Clerk

06-27-2017
Date