West Tampa Community Redevelopment Area
Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes
April 23, 2019
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr Center
2200 N. Oregon Ave

Attendees

Committee Members: Joe Robinson, Chair; Benjamin Buckley; Dedrick Jackson; Delphine Jones; Carlos Ramirez; Tina Young; Emanuel Wilson

Excused: Kenneth Perry; Jeffrey Rhodes; Ed Turanchik; Walter Smith II; Marvin Knight

Staff: Malcolm Kiner, Urban Development Manager
Michelle Van Loan, Economic Development Staff

I. Welcome / Introductions

Mr. Robinson opened the regular meeting of the West Tampa Community Redevelopment Area Advisory Committee at 5:40 p.m. on April 23, 2019. CAC members introduced themselves.

Quorum established at 6:32 pm.

Mr. Robinson excused Jeffrey Rhodes, Ed Turanchik, Walter Smith II, Kenneth Perry, and Marvin Knight.

II. Meeting Minutes March 26, 2019

(6:32 pm) Mr. Buckley moved to approve the March 26, 2019 meeting. Motion seconded by Mr. Ramirez. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Staff Reports

Legislative Update: Mr. Kiner reported that Dianne Hart read the WTCAC letter on the house floor.

- Most of the items the CACs object to have been removed.
- Concern the legislature is trying to pre-empt the power West Tampa just gained in directing the future of its community.

The CRA Annual Activity report for 2018 was distributed to the CAC. A copy is also on the Tampagov.net website.

Term limits of CAC members were reviewed. Mr. Kiner will re-email information.

CAC Sub-committee minutes will be posted on the website.

Sub-Committees:

Special Events:

- Two Juneteenth applications received for sponsorship.
- Choosing a newsletter format.

- Parks and Recreation has changed their procedure for reserving Julian B. Lane Park.
    - Events less than 5,000 can reserve up to six months before event.
    - Events more than 5,000 can reserve up to twelve months before event.
- Flavor of West Tampa application has been received, but not reviewed yet.

Housing: Bobby Wilson recapped the meeting. Meets the second Tuesday of the month at 5:00 pm in the library 1st floor meeting room.

- Rebuilding Together Tampa Bay
    - Two homes in West Tampa
    - 3 home programs: Hurricane, residential repair, and healthy home for kids
- Grant to update facility at Ray Park:
    - Barn doors, youth lounge, game area
    - Shelter
    - Basketball Courts
    - Outdated computers have been upgraded

Infrastructure: Mr. Ramirez recapped the subcommittee meeting and discussion. Subcommittee meets the second Wednesday at 5:30 pm at the JCC.

- Special meeting to invite neighborhood groups and developers.
    - ABC Capital developing a multi-family, mixed-use development at Willow and Cass.
        - Agreed to make changes to development plan through talking with the community.
        - $965,000 worth of sidewalks
        - Dry cleaner in project, Add'l items
    - Development agreements must be enforced/enforcement

III. Request to Address the Committee

Solar United Neighbors: Deana Leavengood

Partnering for a co-op to assist in bringing solar power to a neighborhood. The co-op assists in negotiating installation costs, issuing RFP, vetting, background checks, and hiring.

- August 2nd is the deadline for signing up to potentially participate
    - Signing up <u>does not commit</u> you to participating.
    - Only about 30-50% of people who sign up ultimately get solar.
    - Do not sign a contract until the co-op hires and installer, you meet with them, obtain a quote, and then hire them for the work.
    - Can include financing options.
- Includes small businesses
- Solar united Neighborhood has established co-ops in 44 states.
- See flyer for meeting dates and information.

IV. General Discussion and Questions

- Psomi, a Greek American bakery, provided the pastries for the meeting.
- The WTCAC should attend the FRA conference in October, in Tampa.
- Community Benefit Ordinance:
    - What is it, how do they work?
    - Can we get the St. Pete CRA info on this?
- City Building inspector is causing roadblocks

Meeting Adjourned 6:42 p.m.

West Tampa Community Redevelopment Area
Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes
May 28, 2019
West Tampa Free Public Library
2312 W. Union Street

Attendees

Committee Members: Joe Robinson, Chair; Kenneth Perry, Vice-Chair; Benjamin Buckley; Delphine Jones; Jeffrey Rhodes; Walter Smith II; Tina Young

Excused: Dedrick Jackson; Marvin Knight; Carlos Ramirez; Ed Turanchik; Emanuel Wilson

Staff: Malcolm Kiner, Urban Development Manager
Michelle Van Loan, Economic Development Staff

I. Welcome / Introductions

Mr. Robinson opened the regular meeting of the West Tampa Community Redevelopment Area Advisory Committee at 5:38 p.m. on May 28, 2019. CAC members introduced themselves. Mr. Robinson welcomed Councilmen Citro and Gudes.

Quorum established at 6:00 pm.

Mr. Robinson excused Ed Turanchik, Walter Smith II, Kenneth Perry, and Marvin Knight.

II. Meeting Minutes April 26, 2019

(6:04 pm) Mr. Rhodes moved to approve the April 26, 2019 meeting. Motion seconded by Mr. Smith. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Tampa Police Department Update

Officer Bunn provided the TPD report.

- A bicycle rider was hit on Howard and TPD arrived on the scene very quickly.
- Discussion of upcoming Juneteenth festivities.

IV. Staff Reports

Legislative Update: Mr. Kiner reported that HB9 was signed into law. The new legislation creates new reporting requirements, but does not materially affect the operations of our CRAs.

City Rome Yard: Four proposals were received. No one proposal was chosen. Responses are posted on the website.

FY20 Budget: Proposed budget handed out with preliminary figures. Figures will tighten up at the end of June and will be discussed further. Estimated $2,600,000 in revenue.

Sub-Committees:

Special Events:

- Two Juneteenth applications received for sponsorship.
  - Tampa Bay Juneteenth Coalition $1,682.25
  - West Tampa Alliance Cultural Arts Festival $4,800

Moved by Mr. Perry and seconded by Mr. Smith. Motion to approve both sponsorships approved.

- Flavor of West Tampa application will be reviewed in 2 weeks.

Housing: Meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 5:00PM at the library.

- Subcommittee is working on scope for eligible improvements for a program.
- Will be reviewing City's capital budget to see where the gaps are

Infrastructure: Meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 5:30 at JCC.

- Sub-committee is reviewing programs to bring forward to CAC

Economic Development: Will meet the first Monday of each month at 6 pm at the Walter Smith Library. Walter Smith will Chair the ED subcommittee. Topics to include: brownfields, business growth development, land use and how it affects development.

West Tampa CAC Elections:

- Mr. Kiner presented the history of elections and the delay of elections in January 2019 due to Council/Mayor elections.
- Jorge Martin, Legal Department, presented overview of the CRA Board CAC policy.
- Mr. Robinson discussed his interpretation of said policy.

Mr. Rhodes moved that the term would be for two years. Seconded by Mr. Smith. Motion passed.

Mr. Rhodes nominated Walter Smith for Vice Chair of the West Tampa CAC. Nomination seconded by Mr. Buckley. Being no further nominations, the vote was held. Mr. Smith was voted the WTCAC Vice Chair.

Mr. Perry Nominated Joe Robinson for Chair. Nomination seconded by Mr. Smith. Being no further nominations, the vote was held. Mr. Robinson was voted WTCAC Chair.

V. Request to Address the Committee

HART: Benjamin Limmer, HART CEO

Mr. Limmer introduced himself, his background, and his approach and goals for transit services at HART. (powerpoint presentation provided) He has been out in the community these past few months on a "listening tour". The new transportation surtax could grow HART's revenue from $100 million to $200 million.

Discussion:

- Mr. Limmer provided overview of additional safety measures being implemented
- Seeing overly large buses with not enough riders
    - Maybe focus on circulators where it makes sense
- HART Plus: outbound trip is a great service, return trip wait times routinely can take up to 3 hours.
- Buses run on time about 80%, but needs to be 90%+
- Please look at the routes we lost when HART looks at expanding service
- Please attend neighborhood meetings to talk about service needs
- 12 CNG buses were deployed in April. 40% of bus fleet is CNG, electric, or clean diesel
- Lack of shelters, ventilation of shelters and buses running out of downtown at night is

inhibiting ridership, especially in the 50+ crowd
- We need shelters and trash cans
    - Mr. Limmer installed 1,000 shelters in 5 years in Atlanta, looking to replicate here
- Look at Tampa international airport as a model for minority goals in contracts

VI. General Discussion and Questions

- Can the CRA Board look at setting aside some of the 18 acres for land banking for affordable housing?

Motion by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Rhodes to request that the City lank bank a portion of the 18 acres (Rome Property) to land bank for affordable housing. Motion Passed.

- Please get the word out that subcommittees are looking for participants.
- FRA annual conference will be in Tampa in October at the Hilton Downtown.
- It was brought up at CRA Board to look at management of CRAs with possibility of outsourcing.
- Mr. Robinson requested that the CAC Receive & File the following documents:
    - Article in LaGazetta regarding outsourcing CRA management
    - Tampa Bay Times Editorial regarding outsourcing CRA management
- Rezoning notifications:
    - REZ 19-36 308 N. Howard: CG to PD for business/professional office. Hearing June 13 at 6 PM.

VII. Announcements & Public Comment

- Miray Holmes, on behalf of Housing Division, announced a community homeownership event on Saturday, June 1 at Barksdale. Flyer provided.
- Walter Smith announced the 3rd annual Fish, Grits, and Black history to be held at 909 N. Albany, 9am-2pm on June 22.

Meeting Adjourned 7:07 p.m.

West Tampa Community Redevelopment Area
Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes
June 25, 2019
West Tampa Free Public Library
2312 W. Union Street

Attendees

Committee Members: Joe Robinson, Chair; Walter Smith II, Vice-Chair; Benjamin Buckley; Dedrick Jackson; Delphine Jones; Marvin Knight; Kenneth Perry; Carlos Ramirez; Emanuel Wilson; Tina Young

Excused: Jeffrey Rhodes; Ed Turanchik

Staff: Malcolm Kiner, Urban Development Manager
Michelle Van Loan, Economic Development Staff

I. Welcome / Introductions

Mr. Robinson opened the regular meeting of the West Tampa Community Redevelopment Area Advisory Committee at 5:36 p.m. on June 25, 2019. CAC members introduced themselves.

Mr. Robinson excused Ed Turanchik and Mr. Rhodes.

II. Meeting Minutes May 28, 2019

Mr. Perry moved to approve the May 28, 2019 meeting minutes as amended. Motion seconded by Mr. Ramirez. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Tampa Police Department Update

Officer Bunn and Maryanne Hunsberger provided the TPD report.

- 3 auto burglaries in past month of unlocked vehicles and tools from the bed of a truck. PLEASE LOCK YOUR VEHICLES.
- 1 forced burglary of a home.
- July 1 the new texting law comes into effect.
  - You can be pulled over for texting alone.
  - FLHP will write warnings for remainder of 2019.
  - Other police jurisdictions will have their own policies and approaches to handling violators.
  - PUT IT DOWN.
- The crime reports are no long able to include name or address of a crime to protect the victim.
- Access crime information also on:
  - Crime.com
  - Lexnexus
  - Nextdoor

IV. Staff Reports

CRA Board CAC Policy:

- Mr. Robinson can remain Chair for an additional two-year term per the CRA Board.

- The CAC Policy was amended by the CRA Board to specifically state one 2-year term for Chair.

FRA Conference:
- The FRA Conference is October 16-18 in Tampa.
- West Tampa CRA submitted two applications for the Salcines Park Mural "Faces of West Tampa and our SAP.

WTSP Grant: Ray Park did not win this grant. They will keep the application active for next round of grants.

Sub-Committees:

Special Events:
- West Tampa Chamber of Commerce submitted for Flavors of West Tampa Sangria and Cigars for $5,000.
    - November 10, 2019 11 am – 4 pm at Riverfront Park
    - 3,000 + attendees, family friendly, kids activities, and vendors' area, dominos tournament, TPD and TFR participate with equipment and activities for kids.

Moved by Mr. Smith and seconded by Mr. Knight. Motion to approve $5,000 reimbursable sponsorship. Motion passed.
- West Tampa Historical and Cultural Festival
    - September 29 at Julian B Lane Riverfront Park
    - Meetings are starting for logistics
- TPD Community investment grants are due 7/31/2019 up to $10,000 for youth/adult crime prevention.
- Hillsborough County Cultural Assets Commission has a grant for cultural festivals and events due August 2, 2019.

Housing: Meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 5:00PM at the library.
- Work plan for the subcommittee distributed.
    - Marketing and outreach of available assistance
    - Community partnerships
    - Large events for community education on resources
    - Acquisition for affordable housing
    - Partner with City's Housing Division
- West Tampa Community Council did a seminar with the Property Appraiser's Office.

Infrastructure: Meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 5:30 at JCC.
- The Cypress Outfall project was discussed at the June 12th meeting with Stormwater staff.
- Transportation will be coming to next meeting to discuss 5-year capital projects.
- Alley cleanup 4 times a year. Will be discussing needed level of service for such items as litter basket trash removal and pressure washing on Main Street.
    - Maybe need to get sidewalks done first and then work on the pressure washing.
    - What is schedule for other projects on Main Street
- Discussion of Container houses and the overlay district. Potential for going to Council in January with changes to the WT overlay district requirements.

Mr. Perry moved to have the Infrastructure subcommittee review the overlay district criteria, including design. Mr. Wilson seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Economic Development: Will meet the first Monday of each month at 6 pm at the Walter Smith Library. Walter Smith will Chair the ED subcommittee. Topics to include: brownfields, business growth development, land use and how it affects development.

V. Request to Address the Committee

Valerin for Tampa's Cypress Outfall Project, Tina Allen presenting

- July 15 start date
- 7300 linear feet of box culvert
- Mobilization will be in the right of way
- Offsite storage of materials and equipment
- Work hours will be Monday-Friday 7 am – 5:30 pm
    - Will work on weekends if it helps to minimize impact on local area
- 3 segments for construction. Each segment will last about 8 months
    - Gray Street will be last segment so it will be about 16 months before it starts.
- Trenches will be dug in the roadway. All holes will be secured before workers leave the site.
- Outreach:
    - One point of contact: Tina Allen.
        - Phone number provided for issues to report to Tina 813-321-0809
        - Website for up to date information on the project
            - www.Cypress-StreetOutfall.com
        - Email to communicate with Tina
    - Valerin will come out in person and meet with residents, hand door hangers, hand out fliers.
    - Ample time will be provided to residents who may have plants, yardscape in the work area, to move and protect.
- Gray Street will be a full closure, access only provided for local traffic.
    - Trash pickup may have to be adjusted. Discussions will be held with solid waste and residents.

Discussion:

- Cass/Rome have a lot of businesses along the route. Will need signage and access.
- Please ask the technical folks on the project to come to CAC meeting to address CAC questions about details of the project.
    - What flood events were used to base the project designs on?
    - What evacuation plans have been put inplace during construction?
    - Will project help with flooding on Fig Street?
- Tress that are removed will need to be replaced
- What about brick street restoration?
- Truck access on streets to access the construction project
- Where will staging area be?
- What are minority business goals on the project?>

VI. General Discussion and Questions

- We need to know from the WT Chamber who our representative is. Please request they have an answer in next 30 days as they are not being effectively represented.
- Please ask the City grant writer to attend a future meeting.
- Project Link is having back to school health fair on 8/10 at Blake. Register on website.

Immunizations and physicals.
    - www.back2schoolfair.org
- Increase in loiterer in Salcines Park. Please Let Parks know.
- Potholes on Oregon, Rome/Spruce by Rick's on the River. Very bad roadway condition.
- Gina Grimes will be the new City Attorney.
- Does Project Link sit within the 18 acres of City property?

VII. Announcements & Public Comment

- Tom Lee attended the NAACP meeting and was asked to stop attacking the CRAs.
- Tampa Airport main terminal expansion. Networking for contractors.
- Vendor Compliance Training: 2101 E. Palm 7/12 at 10 am
- Walter Smith announced the 3rd annual Fish, Grits, and Black history to be held at 909 N. Albany, 9am-3pm on July 20. 444-7119
- 7/24 at Doubletree, Fl Minority Enterprise Council Conference
- Text "FOOD" to 877877
- Bowman Heights is a new neighborhood association.
    - Having issues with property at 3112 N. Rome
    - Loading non-stop behind the store
- Container home going up at 3000 North A Street at Gomez. Not in the overlay district. 4 containers were assembled to make the home. So far has passed all inspections.

Meeting Adjourned 7:44 p.m.

West Tampa Community Redevelopment Area
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Meeting Minutes
July 23, 2019
West Tampa Free Public Library
2312 W. Union Street

Attendees

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Excused: Marvin Knight; Kenneth Perry; Jeffrey Rhodes; Walter Smith II

Staff: Malcolm Kiner, Urban Development Manager
Michelle Van Loan, Economic Development Staff

I. Welcome / Introductions

Mr. Robinson opened the regular meeting of the West Tampa Community Redevelopment Area Advisory Committee at 5:40 p.m. on July 23, 2019. CAC members introduced themselves.

Mr. Robinson excused Mr. Knight, Mr. Perry, Mr. Rhodes, Mr. Smith and announced that Anthony Serrano has been designated as the representative for the West Tampa Chamber of Commerce. His appointment goes to CRA Board on July 25, 2019.

Mr. Robinson asked for volunteers from the community to come serve on the sub-committees.

Mr. Robinson requested that the draft agenda be submitted to him two weeks prior to each CAC meeting. Next agenda by August 13.

II. Meeting Minutes June 25, 2019

Mr. Buckley moved to approve the June 25, 2019 meeting minutes as amended. Motion seconded by Ms. Young. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Tampa Police Department Update

Postponed.

Mr. Robinson mentioned that there had been a shooting incident but that the problem should be resolved after a resident left the area.

IV. Staff Reports

FY20 Budget:

- FY20 budget revenue is $2,600,000, a 31% increase over FY19.

TECO:

- TECO is adding 100 new lights, mostly south of 275, and will start before the end of the year.
- North of 275 area still need upgrade.

CRA Board CAC Policy: Mr. Robinson pointed out the error in the attachment to the policy in

that it does not include the West Tampa CRA.

Sub-Committees:

Special Events:

- The West Tampa Unity festival is schedule for Sunday, September 29 at Julian B. Lane.
  - Looking for individuals to highlight at the event
    - Suggestions included: Robert Doughy, Ms. McNair, and Dr. Smith
  - Committee meets 4th Monday at 4 pm at Just Services Center
- Flavors of West Tampa event will be November 10.

Housing: Meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 5:00PM at the library.

- Need committee members.
- Homestead exemption workshop October 24, 7:30 at JCC.
- There is a Mutual of Omaha Bank CRA meeting this Thursday at 11 am at 5401 W. Kennedy. Bank is looking to be more assertive in providing loans for CRA credit, low income, housing, shopping centers, partnership opportunities.

Infrastructure: Meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 5:30 at JCC.

- Façade Grant is successful. Two approved so far and one in the pipeline.
- WT overlay district: reviewing the policy for updates and improve effectiveness.
  - Good examples from Seminole Heights
  - Edits are needed by January 1 for next cycle
- Alley cleanup 4 times a year starting in FY20.
- Looking at clean teams, trash receptacles, pressure washing of Main Street, etc….

Economic Development: Will meet the first Monday of each month at 6 pm at the Dr. Walter Smith Library. Walter Smith will Chair the ED subcommittee. Topics to include: brownfields, business growth development, land use and how it affects development.

- Looking for subcommittee members, hoping for at least 7.

V. Request to Address the Committee

Cypress Street Outfall Project

Valerin for Tampa's Cypress Outfall Project, Tina Allen presenting

- Please see attached flyer.
- Project information:
  - https://cypress-streetoutfall.com/
  - 813-744-3246 Project Hotline, which will be monitored on weekends
  - info@cypress-streetoutfall.com
  - Map, schedule and typical street section are posted on the project website
- Project Team:
  - Woodruff Construction: Chad Wakeman and Matt Anderson
  - TetraTech: Tom Cross
- Sections of street affected will be notified two weeks before the construction comes to their street. Will knock on doors to notify your section will be starting in a couple of weeks.
  - Three phases of approximately 8 months each
  - Project will move block by block across each section
- Project will provide:
  - Flooding relief

    - Sidewalks
    - Bike lanes
    - New traffic signals at Willow and Cass
    - Connects into completed project from Boulevard to the River
    - 4 baffle boxes at higher elevation will collect sediment and trash and the City will clean these out.
- Businesses along Cass and Rome have access from side streets.
- Gray Street will have more challenges and access may be from a couple of buildings down and walk.
- Signs will be provided for access to physically affected businesses.
    - Detour signs will also be posted as needed
- Will coordinate with mail and trash collection.
- Each section will be restored to "passable" and then the entire area will receive full restoration at one time.
- Work hours will be Monday-Friday 7 am – 5:30 pm.
    - Will work on weekends if it helps to minimize impact on local area.
- City will replace trees that are removed, but the contractor does not know at this time where they will be planted.
    - All trees removed will be documented and accounted for.
- Exposed brick streets will be restored, such as Willow.
    - If brick streets already covered by asphalt, the new road will remain asphalt.
- Granite curbing that is removed will be returned to the City. Curb and gutter are being installed.
- Most of the staging will be off-site. The box culverts and larger pipe will be delivered directly to site. Equipment being used daily will be stored on site resulting in very little back and forth of equipment.
- All dewatering equipment has quiet pack pumps.
- Minority business goal for project is 9%.
    - Foreman will have applications on hand
    - Can also email your interest to the project email above
    - Will have on the job training

Discussion:

- Every road is designed for a 5 year/24 hour flood event.
- Contractor will monitor potential storms and make sure that streets are secure for potential evacuation.
- Project does not address flooding in areas west of project location.
    - Mr. Robinson requested that Woodruff request the City to include the extra 100' to help remediate the Fig Street flooding.
- Please provide Watershed map to CAC.
- Ms. Allen will coordinate with the local schools and understand the parent pickup line.
- Ms. Young and Ms. Jones will help identify any disabled people in the area that may need additional notice and accommodation.

VI. General Discussion and Questions

- Request city grant writer to attend a CAC meeting.
- Request a speaker to come talk about land banking.
- Can the "Requests before the CAC" be moved up on the agenda after TPD?
- Need to develop articles and notices for the Sentinel and LaGazetta.
- Mr. Robinson requests that the City petition the federal government to include the

missing census tracts in the Opportunity Zone.

- Mr. Robinson would like to see a citywide revolving loan fund for small and minority businesses.

VII. Announcements & Public Comment

- Mr. DiMaio:
  - CRA Board should expand the West Tampa CRA boundary northward
  - The CRA Board should bid for services
  - Thanks to Miray Holmes for helping to address the challenge, they have been facing.
- Revive Church of Tampa: 250 Backpacks for K-12.
- Mr. Sam Harris on Opportunity Zones:
  - The opp zones allow the community to raise capital and build what the community wants.
  - He is prepared to work with landowners or those acquiring land.
  - Need community and landowners to come together.
  - Can raise capital, but need land.
- Good Neighbor Notice:
  - 1516 W. North B. Street reduce side yard setback.

Meeting Adjourned 7:54 p.m.

West Tampa Community Redevelopment Area
Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes
August 27, 2019
West Tampa Free Public Library
2312 W. Union Street

Attendees

Committee Members: Joe Robinson, Chair; Walter Smith II, Vice-Chair; Benjamin Buckley; Delphine Jones; Marvin Knight; Kenneth Perry; Carlos Ramirez; Anthony Serrano; Emanuel Wilson; Tina Young

Excused: Dedrick Jackson and Jeffrey Rhodes

Staff: Malcolm Kiner, Urban Development Manager
Michelle Van Loan, Economic Development Staff

I. Welcome / Introductions

Mr. Robinson opened the regular meeting of the West Tampa Community Redevelopment Area Advisory Committee at 5:32 p.m. on August 27, 2019. CAC members introduced themselves.

Mr. Robinson excused Mr. Jackson and Mr. Rhodes. New CAC member Anthony Serrano, representative for the West Tampa Chamber of Commerce, introduced himself.

II. Meeting Minutes July 23, 2019

Mr. Knight moved to approve the July 23, 2019 meeting minutes as amended. Motion seconded by Mr. Perry. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Tampa Police Department Update

Captain Cate, TPD.

- 24 new officers sworn in today.
- Major Carlos Rodriguez is now overseeing this District.
- Shooting at Cherry Street, family moved, so issue should be resolved.
- Shooting on Howard in front of library. Suspect arrested.
- Main Street: working to pick up the crates and items for sitting to keep loiterers from sitting around for long periods of time.
- Mayor arranged a cleanup two weeks ago.
- March Madness: first two rounds will be played in Tampa.
- WrestleMania will be in Tampa.
- Staff to put Matt Juaire in touch with TPD to assist with proper trespassing notice.
- TPD is talking and working again with property owners along Main regarding the loitering.
- CAC members are witnessing public urination. Concern about effects on the community.

IV. Staff Reports

FY20 Budget:

- FY20 budget revenue is $2,600,000, a 31% increase over FY19.
    - $8,000 request to cover all conference attendance by CAC members.
    - $3,000 for laptop for our meetings so don't have to borrow older computer from East Tampa.
    - $20,000 for marketing and promotions, special events, newsletters, etc….
    - $5.2 million for projects and programs.
- As of October 1, 2019 there will be $5,800,000 in the WT CRA Budget.

Mr. Perry moved to approve the FY 2020 Budget. Motion seconded by Ms. Jones. The motion passed unanimously.

Request that a letter be drafted for Chair signature to NFL and Jay-Z to invest in West Tampa and minority businesses for the Super Bowl, similar to partnership for the NFL Yet Center in East Tampa.

Sub-Committees:

Special Events:

- The West Tampa Unity festival is scheduled for Sunday, September 29 at Julian B. Lane.
    - Need volunteers, please sign up with your email contact
    - Same setup as last year
    - 35 vendors confirmed
    - Stage, sound, entertainment, marketing in the works
    - Flyer is on the City of Tampa WT website
    - Requesting $10,000 for festival
    - The Mayor will present proclamation for Ms. McNair and Dr. Smith

Mr. Serrano moved to approve $10,000 for the Unity Festival. Motion seconded by Mr. Smith. The motion passed unanimously.

Housing: Meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 5:00PM at the library.

- Have been meeting with non-profits
- Looking to partner with the City's Housing Division to administer a housing program in West Tampa
    - Owner-occupied for at least past 5 years
    - Home in WT CRA
    - Marketing of the program
    - $10,000 per home max for exterior improvements
    - Up to $30,000 for safety improvements: roofs, electric, HVAC, floors, plumbing
    - Must qualify for housing program
    - Lien for 10 years and then forgiven
    - Licensed contractor to do the work

Mr. Perry moved to approve $325,000 for the housing program: $15,000 per house from the CRA and includes $15,000 to market the program. Motion seconded by Mr. Ramirez. The motion passed unanimously.

Infrastructure: Meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 5:30 at JCC.

- Working on

    - Streets and lighting
    - Façade Program
    - Clean up West Tampa
    - West Tampa overlay amendments
        - Want more actual requirements and ability to enforce
- Alley cleanup 4 times a year starting in FY20.
- Looking at clean teams, trash receptacles, pressure washing of Main Street, etc….
- Looking at establishing ambassadors to assist with clean up similar to Downtown Partnership
- Reviewing opportunities for CRA to enhance streetscape when the City works on roadways
- Suggestion to reach out to UT juniors and seniors with community service requirements

Economic Development: Meets the first Monday of each month at 6 pm at the Walter Smith Library. Working on the following topics

- Marketing campaign for West Tampa
- What should West Tampa look like in the future, what are we striving for our community
    - Workshop to gain input from community
- Potential to purchase buildings/land
- Brownfields program
- Land use issues
- Partnering with CareerSource
- Participation by contractors
- business growth development, land use and how it affects development.
- Looking for subcommittee members, hoping for at least 7

V. General Discussion and Questions

- Homestead Exemption workshop on October 17 at Julian B Lane River Center, 6:00 pm-7:15 pm.
- Mr. Knight owns lots between Main and Union and is working on developing them.
- Advertise WTCAC meetings in the Sentinel and La Gazeta.
- Bring flyers to the WTCAC meetings.
- Mr. Robinson would like all the West Tampa census tracts in the Opportunity Zone.
- Hillsborough Education Foundation needs to step up and follow agreement, it is deteriorating, windows are rotting and mullions are hanging down.
- Mr. Wilson would like entrepreneurial classes similar to those held by University of Cincinnati.
- St. Pete has a 12-week program for entrepreneurs, $395.
- Would like to establish a revolving loan fund at the city level.
- Bob McDonaugh is retiring.
- Apartments across from Project Link got a lot of dumping when people move out.
- 2020 Spring: Youth environmental training.
- Next luncheon with Mayor Castor, September 17, St. Lawrence, 11:30 – 1:00 pm.
- Where is the light that was supposed to be installed at Rome and Kennedy? Developer fees to fund it.
- Money paid by developers for green space, which was to fund a park in the neighborhood went to JBL. In-lieu fees are going to investments in other areas. How

do we capture these fees?

- Ms. Jones would like to see a museum for the history of the area.
- Please add subcommittee dates to the minutes..
- Parking challenges are on the subcommittee's list

VI. Announcements & Public Comment

- Train with Jane: City employees can meet at Julian B. Lane at 6:30 am every Friday to train with the Mayor for Police Memorial Run.
- Historic Preservation meeting at McFarland Park on 8/28 at 6:30. Sister neighborhoods are invited.
- Ms. Barrios is a local historian who focused on West Tampa 15 years ago and is again working on a documentary on the history of Main Street, 1893-1940s.
- Bridges to Business event was well attended.
- PIPES meetings are being held out in the community to talk about the City's infrastructure replacement program.
- NoHo Junction is now open and does full service catering. 1500 w. Cass

Meeting Adjourned 7:53 p.m.

West Tampa Community Redevelopment Area
Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes
September 24, 2019
West Tampa Free Public Library
2312 W. Union Street

Attendees

Committee Members: Joe Robinson, Chair; Walter Smith II, Vice-Chair; Benjamin Buckley; Delphine Jones; Marvin Knight; Carlos Ramirez; Emanuel Wilson; Tina Young

Excused: Dedrick Jackson; Kenneth Perry; Jeffrey Rhodes; Anthony Serrano

Staff: Malcolm Kiner, Urban Development Manager
Michelle Van Loan, Economic Development Staff

I. Welcome / Introductions

Mr. Robinson opened the regular meeting of the West Tampa Community Redevelopment Area Advisory Committee at 5:39 p.m. on August 27, 2019. Quorum at 5:50 pm.
CAC members introduced themselves.

Mr. Robinson excused Mr. Jackson, Mr. Perry, Mr. Rhodes, and Mr. Serrano.

II. Meeting Minutes August 27, 2019

Mr. Wilson moved to approve the August 27, 2019 meeting minutes as amended. Motion seconded by Mr. Ramirez. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Tampa Police Department Update

Captain Cate, TPD.

- 9/18/2019 had a shooting among juveniles.
  - TPD protocol is to go to where they believe the suspects are.
- Focusing on open containers and drugs.
- Working on cameras for Main Street. Not to actively monitor, but to be able to go back through the recording if there is an incident.
  - Camera options have been assigned to the Economic Development subcommittee.
- Focusing on getting the Trespass Affidavits signed and on file.
- TPD had some traffic stops this past weekend. Just a few arrests for open containers, small amounts of drugs, and suspended licenses.
- Wet Zone Property: only allowed open containers on such property if it is open for business and has been open for at least four days. Temporary, single day businesses and barbeque do not qualify for legal open container.
- West Tampa is not the “wild, wild west” for crime. Mostly people using poor judgement.

Mr. Knight moved that camera options be researched by staff for Main Street, Rome to Armenia. Seconded by Mr. Wilson. Motion passed.

- Crime affects economic development in our community
- Need to be fair to all residents

- Need an attitude of concern for life
- Broad daylight drug sales and smoking of drugs are not acceptable in our community, disrespectful to the entire community
- Lighting is also a problem that affects/enables crime

Mr. Knight moved that TECO expedite the upgrading of lights on Main Street from Rome to Armenia, including alleyways north and south of Main Street. Seconded by Mr. Wilson. Motion passed.

IV. Staff Reports

- Career Fair – discussed at the last Economic Development Subcommittee
  - Working with CareerSource to host a fair. If their board approves they will come back to the CAC to discuss targeted businesses.
  - Aiming for the beginning of 2020 at the River Center.
- Super Bowl – Initial meeting with the Tampa Bay Super Bowl host committee
  - They are excited about integrating WT in to the activities
  - Ms. Robinson will be coming to talk with the CAC
  - How will the "Emerge" program be rolled out
  - The NFL was requested to report back to City Council on their efforts to reach out to minority businesses
- FY2020 Budget – The CRA Board approved the 2020 Budget.

Sub-Committees:

Special Events:

- The West Tampa Unity festival is scheduled for Sunday, September 29 at Julian B. Lane. CAC members please attend and help out.
  - Jennifer Brewer is assisting with the vendors: food trucks, activities, retail and service vendors
  - Decorations
  - Raffle table of vendor-donated items
  - City has been posting to FB and issuing press releases
  - Tampa Housing Authority is a sponsor
  - Announcements on the Michelle B. Patty Show, Bay News 9, WEDU, Sentinel

Housing:

- Homeowner seminar on October 17 at 6 – 7:15 pm at JBL River Center

Infrastructure:

Working on:

- West Tampa overlay amendments for January cycle
  - Want new construction to keep West Tampa "feel"
  - Keep the map as is for now
- Next meeting will focus on the commercial requirements

Economic Development:

Working on the following topics:

- Land acquisition
- Environmental justice issues as it relates to economic development opportunities
- Conversations with people interested in investing in WT: new construction/renovation

V. Request to Address the Committee

Dan Fahey, environmental engineer with the City of Tampa. Dan oversees the City's Brownfield Designation Program. Provided handout of the City's current 42 designated brownfield sites, three in West Tampa.

- Property can be vacant or with a structure.
- Any property owner can request the City to designate their property a brownfield.
- Process takes 3-4 months:
    - Application by property owners for designation
    - City can initiate designation of a larger area of multiple parcels
- Process includes public hearing and a City Council ordinance designating the area.
- The property owner then enters into an agreement (BSRA) for remediation, to get the reimbursement.
- State will give rebates on tax credits. Property owner can sell these rebates.
- There is a job creation bonus with the program, minimum 5 full-time jobs.
- Program also will refund sales taxes on materials for affordable housing.

If there is known contamination, please notify the Economic Development Subcommittee and they will address it.

VI. General Discussion and Questions

- Good Neighbor Notices:
    - Special Use 2 at 111 S. Fremont Avenue: parking and commercial off-street parking
- Cypress Street construction is using the Rome Yard for storage. Make sure that the use of the Rome Yard is coordinated with Metropolitan Ministries who use the space from Thanksgiving to Christmas.
    - Metropolitan Ministries will be attending next meeting.
    - Concern over traffic at Beach street entrance
        - Mark Rios will be coming to CAC to answer questions
- FRA is October 16, 17, and 18. There will be a tour of West Tampa.
- New Apartments on Rome were required to have parking for residents. However, residents are parking on the street so they can just walk up to their door. Public cannot use the built parking, but the apartment residents are taking up the public parking.

VII. Announcements & Public Comment

- Thursday 10/24 at 7 pm, film What is Democracy at WMNU on MLK in East Tampa.
- October 15, TPD night out in Old West Tampa at Freedom Park, 6 pm.
- October 26, Main Street clean-up.
- Renew Construction is looking to hire workers at $10 per hour to help clean at Raymond James Stadium and at the Tampa Convention Center.
    - Mr. Kiner will email out the details.
- Kevin Ridel is the State Rep for the public employees union, assists with helping people get jobs.
- October 18, 8:30 am - 2 pm, Reverse Trade Show in Pinellas County including SBE Match Maker. The Conference Center, St Petersburg College Seminole campus.
- Dr Walter Smith Library hosts a series of adult education classes.

- Discussion of process for property acquisition.
    - Subcommittee is reviewing if it is a viable, effective acquisition. Want to get land back on tax rolls.
    - Any individual can make a proposal to the City regarding city-owned property.
- Armory Gardens Civic Center is hosting the annual community sale on October 5. Event is a fundraiser for the park.
    - Amazon Smile allows you to choose a charity of choice and Armory Gardens is a listed charity.
- The Main Street corridor and local businesses need a parking solution.
    - Can the Trolley on wheels be extended into WT?
    - The Infrastructure committee is focusing on this issue.
    - Once the Tampa Housing Authority buildings are complete and more people are living in the community, we can push for the trolley.
- Flavor of West Tampa is November 10, 11 – 4. Sangria and Cigars!
- Community meeting with Police Chief Dugan regarding Main Street. The Chief needs to hear the concerns of the community and help affect change.

Meeting Adjourned 7:45 p.m.

West Tampa Community Advisory Committee – Subcommittees

Special Events – Tina Young, Chair
Meets the 4th Monday of each month at 4 pm at Project Link Office.

Economic Development – Walter Smith II, Chair
Meets the 1st Monday of each month at 6 pm at the Walter Smith Library.

Infrastructure – Carlos Ramirez, Chair
Meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 5:30 pm at JCC.

Housing – Bobby Wilson, Chair
Meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 5:00 pm at the West Tampa Free Public Library.