



CITY OF TAMPA

Jane Castor, Mayor

Community Redevelopment Areas

CHANNEL DISTRICT CRA COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

MAY 3, 2023,
MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

		Committee Attendees		City of Tampa Representatives	
1	P	Kimberlee Curtis, Chair	Downtown Partnership	Jeff Burton	P
2	P	Abbey Ahern, Vice Chair		Melisa Martinez	P
3	P	Katie Gower		Captain Alex Thiel	A
4	P	Andy Scaglione			
5	P	Ron Glessing	Port Tampa	Additional Attendees	
6	P	David Aylesworth		Tony Rokita	P
7	P	Michael Leeds		Andy Wood	P
8				Rachel Radawec	P
9				Kayla Nelson	V

2. Public Comment – None

3. Wayfinding Update – API+ Kayla Nelson – presented a reduce version overview and provided an update moving forward. Concept will aim at having visitors park and walk around the districts. Very important for the Channel District is to have their own identity/branding on this signage. This is the end of Phase 1 – Analysis. The CD has budget for the first of signs and then we turned them over to the Mobility Dept.

4. Tampa Police Department Update – None

5. Florida Aquarium Update – Andy Wood provided the following updates:

- June will be open the 1st exhibit.
- On Earth Day, new campaign will be launch “Not on our watch” campaign is a global movement which aims to raise awareness of the plight of the African penguin.
- Grant from the state of Florida to change fleets to electric vehicles – Charging stations will be added to parking lots.
- Memorial Day weekend – Raptors will be back!

6. Tampa Downtown Partnership Update – Rachel Radawec with the partnership provided the following updates:

- Partnership working with neighborhoods on a program called What’s Happening, they will bring pop engagement containers for small events.
- A survey is being developed to ask information on the kind of programs you would like to see in your neighborhoods.
- June 4th we will be at Washington Street Park with the pop-up initiative, there will be food and drinks.
- Working on putting a list together of all maintenance agreements, working with the City and public records requests.

7. Action Items

- The April 5, 2023, regular meeting minutes were approved unanimously.
- The amended redevelopment plan pages 61-65. (p.3-8)
- Motion **recommend approval of Channel District Community Redevelopment Plan amending pages 61-65**. Chair requested to postpone vote until the next meeting to give everyone chance to review the document. Jeff to provide a new version of the document that includes F.S. references.

8. New Business –

- a. Housing Workshop Meeting – June 12th 6:30 pm – 8:00pm – Location: TBD. This meeting is to provide information and programs option for spending the 30% allocated on this year’s budget.
- b. CRA Board class on May 5th at Childrens Board at 9:00 am.

9. Old Business -

- a. Channel District traffic tables. No updates, still working with Mobility for options.
- b. Above and beyond landscaping contract update. Still working with Park and Recreation.

10. Announcements/Discussion

- a. Next CAC Meeting: June 7, 2023 @ 5:30 PM - Location: Port Tampa Bay Boardroom
- b. Next CRA Board Meeting: May 11, 2023 @ 9AM - Location: Tampa City Hall

11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned. 6:55pm