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EAST TAMPA COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AREA
COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Meeting Summary

April 1, 2025, at 6 PM
City Center at Hanna Avenue
2555 E. Hanna Avenue Tampa, FL 33610

Meeting Called to Order by Dr. Jeffery Johnson, ETCAC Chair at 6:01 p.m. Roll call was taken.

CAC Member	At-Large or Ex-Officio Seat	CAC Term (FY)	Present or Absent
Craig Fox, Vice Chair	At-Large	2026	Virtual
Eboney De Costa	At-Large	2026	P
Toinette Gaines	Ex- Officio - Legacy at Fair Oaks N.A.	2026	Virtual
Kimberly Headland	Ex-Officio – V.M. Ybor N.A.	2026	P
Aileen Henderson	At Large	2026	A
Dr. Jeffery Johnson	Ex-Officio – CDC of Tampa	2026	P
Frankie Jones	Ex-Officio – Rainbow Heights N.A.	2026	P
Carlos de la Ossa	Ex-Officio - S.E. Seminole Heights N.A.	2026	P
Fran Tate	Ex-Officio – Jackson Heights N.A.	2026	P
Diann Zeigler	At-Large	2026	P
Cedric Carrington	At-Large	2026	P
Dayna Lazarus	At-Large	2026	P
Mimi Martinez Nathalie Halsall Andrea White	Ex-Officio – Ybor Heights N.A. At-Large At-Large	2026 2027 2027	P A P

Staff present: Cedric McCray; Bryce Fehringer; Evan Johnson; Jackson Strong; Evan Johnson; Chris Ullian and Brenda Thrower(virtual); Rahel Berhanu (virtual); Melisa Martinez (virtual)

Public present: Alethia Somerset and Rogerick Green (Virtual); Hugh Percy; Craig Fox (virtual)

Public Comments: Alison Hewitt**;** Kella McCaskill; Connie Burton; Alison Hewitt

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Action Items:

Approval of March 4, 2025, CAC Meeting Minutes – *Minutes to be provided for approval prior to the April 1, 2025, meeting.*

III. Action Items

A. Sanchez Y Haya – 1601 E. Columbus Drive

1. CRA Director C. McCray spoke to address concerns related the CRA Board approval process related to the Sanchez Y Haya funding request**.**

B. Approval of the March 4, 2025, meeting minutes
The March 4, 2025, minutes received the required approval from the ETCAC.

C. 1904 E. Osborne Avenue Land Assemblage

- ETCRA Manager McCray provided background information over the properties that have been assembled and approved for purchase related to the Palifox properties.
- Potential mix use development on the site that is just short of an acre of land.
- The requested amount would be up to $610,000
- Questions were addressed related to environmental, stormwater and wastewater concerns on the property.
- Motion (M. Martinez, 2nd D. Ziegler) to purchase the property at 1904 E. Osborne Avenue. The motion passed with Andrea White voting no.

Presentations

A. E. Palifox Street & E. Osborne Avenue Site Visioning Session

- Mr. Bryce Fehringer and Jackson Strong discussed possible development goals on the properties being assembled.
- The site will be only single-family housing.
- Visual preference and key takeaways from the August 2024 visioning session shared.
- Two concepts were shared with the ETCAC related to single family detached and semi-detached.
- ETCAC members shared various questions and ideas related to site development and concepts.

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B. CRA Staff/CRA Managers Report

- Mrs. Be Parks provided an update on the Housing Rehabilitation and Renovation Program (HRRP) and East Tampa CRA Downpayment Assistance Program.
- Mrs. Parks spoke to the importance of the Unity Creation and Conversion Program related to the requests being submitted for development.
- Fun Lan/Marquis Square information provided within the ETCAC meeting packet.
- Skills Center update on scholarships.

C. Staff Reports

- East Tampa Project Tracker - included in meeting packet.
- Commercial Grants Tracker - included in meeting packet
- Housing Grants Tracker - included in meeting packet
- Managers' Report

New Business

A. ETCAC Budget Workshop – April 21st
- Dr. Johnson highlighted ad to within the ETCRA budget adjustment and the importance for the ETCAC and community to attend the special called workshop.

B. Invocation
- Motion: (F. Tate, 2nd D. Zeigler) to begin the ETCAC meetings with an invocation. Motion carried with C. de la Ossa and D. Lazarus voting no.
- Motion: (C. de la Ossa, 2nd F. Tate) to begin each meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance. The motion carried with F. Jones, D. Lazarus and A. White voting no.
- ETCAC members expressed their thoughts and views on the invocations during the meeting.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.