

**DOWNTOWN CRA
COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING**

Tuesday, April 2, 2024, at 5:30 p.m.

(First Tuesday of the Month)

Tampa Municipal Office Building (TMOB), 306 E. Jackson St., 2nd Floor

MINUTES

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call** – CAC Member Dustin Pasteur opened the meeting at 5:35 p.m.
2. **Public Comment** - None
3. **Action Items**
 - 3.1. Approval of the March 5, 2024, Meeting Minutes {*MOTION*}

Motion (Williams/Pasteur) to approve the March 5, 2024, meeting minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

4. Reports

- 4.1. Tampa Bay Water Wise Rebate Program (Sing Family Homeowner/Multi-family Properties) –City of Tampa Environmental Specialist and Tampa Bay Water Wise

Tampa Bay Water Wise Amelia and Julia with the city provided information and handouts on the program offered in Hillsborough, Pasco, and Hernando Counties. City of Tampa is a government member of Tampa Bay Water. They are in their fourth year of the rebate program as partners. They provided leak detection dye tablets to the group. They have helped save ½ million gallons of water a day for through residential and irrigation water saving measures. Members took information to share with condo management and for their office buildings.

- 4.2. Community Redevelopment Plan CRA Progress Report Presentation Outcome – Riva Heinrich, Kittelson

Heinrich zeroed in on the new scoring matrix. The highlight of the update. The members wanted to review the strategic objects. She mentioned they are waiting to know if any one-on-one meetings with CRA Board members are needed in advance of the June 13 CRA approval. She said that they will be provided with a formatted document by the next CAC meeting. She ended that they are looking at how to address a project that comes forward and doesn't fall into an established category.

- 4.3. Tampa Downtown Partnership Activities – Casey Bauer, Planning Coordinator

Bauer was unable to attend.

- 4.4. Tampa Friends of the Riverwalk Activities – MaryBeth Williams, Executive Director

Williams reported that the headliner for Riverfest is Arrest and Development. She is working with Gasparilla Music Foundation and there will be a lantern parade for the third year in a year. Several fun events are planned. She is coordinating with Sparkman, Armature, and the Tampa Downtown Partnership for July 4 events. She reported they had a productive meeting regarding future funding support with the Chief of Staff. She also provided details on the May 11 River cleanup.

5. New Business

5.1. FY25 Budget Planning Discussion

Orr provided the draft FY25 budget and went line-by-line. Orr had questions about previously funded items and if they still needed to be prioritized in the budget. Orr said that they would review the budget a final time May 7 to submit for internal review and eventually the Budget department. Questions were asked about the TIF reduction conversations and the upcoming discussion at the April 11 CRA meeting.

MaryBeth Williams discussed Friends of the Riverwalk not having a designated ex-officio seat per the revised CRA CAC policy. Tampa General Hospital is listed, and it was agreed this was an error since TGH never has had an ex-officio seat and FOR used to be listed. Orr offered to request that correction be made.

6. Unfinished Business

6.1. Kid Mason Center Redevelopment – CRA Manager Courtney Orr

6.2. Beneficial Bridge Study – Orr

6.3. Tampa Union Station Update – Orr

6.4. Herman Massey Park Update – Orr

6.5. 103 E. Laurel St. Purchase (Army/Navy Store) – Orr

For the above items, Orr provided the document prepared by the projects team that provided updates on status of each project. The group really liked this new tracking sheet.

7. Announcements/Discussion

7.1. Next CAC Meeting – Tuesday, May 7, 2024, at 5:30 p.m., TMOB

7.2. Next CRA Bord Meeting – April 11, 2024, at 9 a.m.

8. Adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

Attendance

Casey Bauer-A

Dan Traugott - A

Sean Baraoidan-A

MaryBeth Williams-P

Dustin Pasteur-P

Kim Puleo-P

Rebecca Nagy-P

Ryan Bogan-P

Ray Wong-A

Guests

Two University of Tampa students