

## SUMMARY MINUTES

### REGULAR COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING

February 26, 2008

A regular meeting of the Chairman and Members of the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Board was held in the North Miami Council Chambers of City Hall on Tuesday, February 26, 2008, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

(Phonetic spelling of each speaker's name may be used throughout the minutes unless correct spelling is known.)

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#### ROLL CALL

Marie Erlande Steril	Here
Scott Galvin	Here
Chairman Kevin A. Burns	Here
Jacques Despinosse	Here
Michael R. Blynn	Here

Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting – Tuesday, February 12, 2008, approved by Board

#### ITEMS FOR REVIEW AND/OR ACTION

I. **TAB 1 – STATUS UPDATE REGARDING THE PROPOSED BEL HOUSE APARTMENTS MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CRA AND NORTH MIAMI HOUSING**

The Executive Director and the CRA Attorney gave brief reports to the CRA Board. The CRA Attorney advised he had discussions with North Miami Housing representatives and stated North Miami Housing does not have any issues with using current owners as managers of the property until the Munisport agreement has been renegotiated. The CRA Attorney further advised his concern was, that the CRA is required to use North Miami Housing as property

management, as listed in the Munisport agreement, but since North Miami Housing agreed to forebear any default with the CRA and/or the City, until such time as the Munisport agreement has been renegotiated, he is comfortable with the agreement and recommended moving forward.

The Executive Director confirmed with the owners, that they would continue to provide management services.

The Board expects the Munisport agreement would be finalized in approximately 60 days.

Ms. Nadine Pierre-Louis, North Miami Housing representative, confirmed there wouldn't be any negative recourse with the continuation of using current property owners as management of the Bel House Apartments.

Board Member Despinosse requested the Executive Director take Board Members to visit the Bel House Apartments to see the apartments before and after rehabilitation takes place.

**II. TAB 2 – STATUS UPDATE REGARDING THE ONGOING REMEDIATION OF PIONEER GARDENS SITE/ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS; AND A RESOLUTION OF THE CHAIRMAN AND BOARD MEMBERS OF THE NORTH MIAMI CRA REQUESTING AN ADVANCE OF FUNDS FROM THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI TO FACILITATE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ASBESTOS REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN (RAP) AS APPROVED BY THE MIAMI-DADE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL RESOURCES MANAGEMENT (DERM) FOR THE REMEDIATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND UNFORESEEN SITE CONDITIONS AT THE PIONEER GARDENS AT NORTH MIAMI HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PROJECT SITE**

The Executive Director gave a brief report to the CRA Board advising that the Phase I work in accordance with the Asbestos Remedial Action Plan (RAP) is complete and a meeting with DERM is scheduled for Thursday, February 28, 2008. Subsequently the Phase II work will begin once a field visit is conducted and a scope of work is approved by DERM.

The Executive Director presented the proposed Resolution from the CRA requesting an advance of funds from the City of North Miami to cover expenses for Phase I and subsequently for Phase II of the RAP implementation. Board Member Galvin moved the Resolution, seconded by Board Member Steril; passed unanimously.

## **REPORTS**

A. Board Members

Various items of interest were presented by Board members.

B. CRA Attorney

(NONE)

C. Executive Director

The Executive Director reported that the CRA FY 2007-08 Budget was approved by the Miami-Dade County Board of County Commissioners on February 19, 2008. Previously, on February 13, 2008 the Economic Development and Human Services Committee of the Board of County Commissioners, chaired by Commissioner Audrey Edmonson, supported the CRA Budget request and recommended the item be heard by the County Commission on February 19, 2008.

The Executive Director advised of an upcoming Town Hall meeting regarding mortgage foreclosures on Thursday, February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at Sunkist Community Center at 6:30 pm and invited Board Members and residents to attend. The Town Hall was being jointly sponsored by the CRA and the City.

The Executive Director noted that the CRA Commercial Grant program would be accepting applications beginning on March 3<sup>rd</sup> and closing on March 31<sup>st</sup>.

Upon the recommendation of the Executive Director, the CRA Board scheduled a Special Meeting on March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2008, at 5:30 pm, to discuss a proposed first amendment to the Pioneer Gardens Development Agreement and to hear an update to the Board on the purchase of two duplexes adjacent to the Pioneer Gardens site, due

to the cancellation of the regularly scheduled meeting on March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

- D. Next Regular Board Meeting: Tuesday, March 25, 2008 at 5:30 p.m. at North Miami City Council Chambers

Next Advisory Committee Meeting – Monday, March 3, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. at North Miami City Council Chambers

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 6:06 p.m.