

*C.R.A. Monthly Meeting  
Summary Minutes*

*April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016  
5:30 P.M.*



The Monthly CRA Board Meeting of the City of North Miami was held in Council Chambers of City Hall on Tuesday, April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016, beginning at 5:40 P.M.

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

***I. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL***

ROLL CALL	Board Member Galvin	Here
	Board Member Keys	Here
	Board Member Desulme	Here
	Board Member Bien-Aime	Absent
	Chairman Dr. Joseph	Here

Deputy Clerk Thomas: You have a quorum.

***II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE***

- *Chairman Dr. Joseph*

***III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2016 & March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016***

- Motion made by Board Member Galvin. Seconded by Board Member Bien-Aime. Motion made and approved.

***IV. ITEMS FOR REVIEW AND/OR ACTION***

***Agenda Item #1 – Compensation of New CRA Executive Director***

- Ms. Cameau: On March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2016, Larry M. Spring Jr. became the new City Manager. Mr. Spring has now taken over the role of the CRA Executive Director with a salary supplement of \$20,000.00 per year. Staff recommends approval. The item was presented and approved unanimously by the CRA Advisory Board.

- Motion made by Board Member Galvin. Seconded for discussion by Board Member Bien-Aime.

- Board Member Bien-Aime: A resolution was passed in 2012 to automatically make the City Manager the CRA Executive Director.

- CRA Executive Director Spring: Will implement a full time Director for the CRA. Anticipates hiring Ms. Cameau as the CRA Executive Director.

- Board Member Galvin: Regarding the length of time for the CRA having no CRA Executive Director.
- CRA Executive Director Spring: Continue the guidelines of the Resolution of 2012 but providing information regarding the future of the CRA's leadership.
- CRA Attorney Zelkowitz: Clarifying that the resolution appoints the City Manager as the Executive Director of the CRA. And the directives of the new CRA Executive Director.
- Board Member Bien-Aime: Proposing to amend the 2012 Resolution to approve Ms. Cameau be the Executive Director.
- Vice-Chair Desulme: The Resolution before the Board is solely regarding a stipend for the CRA Executive Director.
- Board Member Keys: Suggesting that the item is a Budget line item and not approving the other position until the CRA is extended.
- Board Member Bien-Aime: All the stipends the employees receive can be removed and added to a salary for a CRA Director.
- Motion made by Board Member Galvin to approve \$20,000.00 stipend and title for Larry Spring, Jr. Seconded by Board Member Keys. Motion made and approved 5 – 0.

**Agenda Item #2 – Presentation of FY 14 – 15 CRA Financial Statements**

- Mr. Vetter: Power Point Presentation of the September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015 audit. The Power Point consists of the purpose of the CRA, the Board of Directors of the CRA, summary report of the audit opinion, statement of net position, statement of revenues and expenditures, budgetary comparisons and the capital outlay. The Management Letter Findings/Comments were addressed for year 2014. The findings/comments were corrected and implemented. No Management Letter Findings for 2015.
- Executive Director Spring: The audit was completed and issued on March 24<sup>th</sup>, ahead of the March 31<sup>st</sup> deadline.

***Agenda Item #3 – Discussion Regarding a Resource Officer for the 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue Corridor.***

***Sponsored by: Vice-Chair Alix Desulme***

- Vice-Chair Desulme: Numerous businesses request a Resource Officer or presence of Police on the 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue Corridor.
- Executive Director Spring: The same structure that is in place for Downtown North Miami can be implemented on the 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue Corridor.
- Major Bage: Prior to the CRA discussion, the Police presence has increased by the Community Policing Units and Patrol Units in the area of 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 119<sup>th</sup> Street. One of the Police proposals to present to the CRA is to have an extra level of Police presence to the Corridor. For the new Fiscal year to propose a CRA Officer full time in the 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue Corridor. One of the goals is to have a call box outside the Westside Work Station with cameras.
- Executive Director Spring: Currently in conversation with Chief Burgess regarding how the Patrol Units are in the City. To provide similar Police presence to the Business Corridor that is in Downtown North Miami.
- Motion made by Chair Dr. Joseph to provide the same Police presence for the 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue Corridor that Downtown North Miami has. Seconded by Vice-Chair Desulme. Motion made and approved 5 – 0.

***V. CRA ATTORNEY REPORTS***

*Proposed Legislation from Miami-Dade County Board of Commissioners*

- Mr. Zelkowitz: Proposed Resolution to be presented to the Economic Prosperity Committee. Advising the CRA Advisory Board to review the resolution and all the clauses in it. Items included will change the interlocal agreement between the City of North Miami and Miami-Dade County. Any contract receiving a grant/revenue in the amount of \$200,000.00 or more from the CRA will have to use vendors/residents of the CRA district. Some of the language in the inter-local is unclear and broad and will have to be clarified. The requirements listed are following by our CRA. The CRA follows the City's Procurement Code or the State Code. Review of all the requirements on the proposed resolution.

## **VI. CRA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORTS**

### *FY14 – 15 NMCRA Annual Report*

- Ms. Soray-Cameau: The Annual Report was submitted and was presented in a timely manner. It was posted in the Miami Herald, on the City's website and in the City Clerk's Office. In the report there are also some of the grants provided, before and after pictures, capital projects and a basic narrative on the work done to get the CRA extended.

### *CRA Police Officer Quarterly Report – Presentation by Major Bage*

- Major Bage: Some of the highlights of the report are, the Downtown CRA Officer made contact with 628 business owners/managers. Assisted/answered 79 calls for service in the CRA Downtown Corridor. The corridor consists of 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue to 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue, from 123<sup>rd</sup> Street to 126<sup>th</sup> Street. They made contact with 2,152 individuals in the CRA district. Several assists and arrests by the CRA Officer in City Hall and various areas in the Downtown North Miami area.

## **VII. PUBLIC COMMENT**

- *None*

## **VIII. OLD BUSINESS**

- *None*

## **IX. NEW BUSINESS**

- Chairman Dr. Joseph: Requesting information on the mixed-use garage to be presented at the next CRA Board meeting.
- Executive Director Spring: Recently approached by several parties interested in the public/private partnership to develop the garage as well as the properties north of 125<sup>th</sup> Street.

## **X. ADJOURNMENT**

- Motion made by Board Chair Dr. Joseph. Seconded by Board Member Galvin.