

## **Minutes of RDA Board Meeting**

**Date:** Tuesday, November 13, 2018

**Time:** 5:30 p.m.

**Location:** CitySide Apartments, 700 Cocoanut Ave, Sarasota, FL

### **Attendees Present:**

Howard Davis, Michael Donahue, Jude Levy, Richard Mones, Julia Sawyer, and Samantha Wuerfel

**Absent:** Andy Bailey, Michael Bush, and Billie Lindsey

### **Agenda:**

1. Approval of minutes of October 8, 2018 Board meeting
2. Updates/Discussion of Neighborhood Events and Meetings
3. Discussion of Board Election
4. Committee Reports
5. Other Business
6. Next Meetings

### **Proceedings:**

1. Approval of meeting minutes
  - Approval of minutes from October, 8 meeting - upon motion made and seconded, unanimously approved by the board
2. Discussion of Neighborhood events and meetings
  - Community Mural Painting "ART UP" - Saturday, November 17, 10 am - 3 pm. Good to go, may need more volunteers
  - Zoning Workshop - November 28, 5:30 pm, City Hall Annex
    - Overview of Proposed Zoning Changes
    - Next steps: Complete graphics, publicity - social media promo
3. Discussion of Board Election
  - Establish a committee - Richard Mones and David Lough will head the committee
    - Candidates will be decided by mid-January
    - Push RDA membership registration, must be a member to vote in election

- Bylaw modifications, Article IV, Board of Directors (See included document)
  - Upon motion made and seconded, unanimously approved by the board
- Allocation of Board seats - residents; business and property owners

#### 4. Committee Reports

- Community Relations
  - Winding down for the end of the year, not too much going on
  - Having chief of police at the last community meeting was a huge success - great response!
- Governance
  - Modifications to bylaws, Article IV, Board of Directors - approved
  - Julia will update bylaws to include changes
- Public Art
  - Meeting with Tony Sikes from CodaWorx on 11/29, master planning and strategy suggestions
- Open Space
  - Important meeting coming up, December 3, City's Parks and Rec - master plan. The Rosemary District must be represented
  - Working to set up a meeting with Dr. Barth, a consultant on the master plan
  - Jerry Fogal, Parks and Rec Director, we need his support
  - Continuing to identify our priorities, Central Ave and Blvd of the Arts as main sites
- The Bay
  - In December, meeting with Bill Wadill to update conversation and maintain our relationship
  - Phase 1 development, beginning process and transition period
- Walkability
  - Last meeting of the year, an overview of inventory
  - Accomplishments; streetlights improved, bike lanes on Coconut Ave were repainted

- Transitioning into 2019, Walkability and Open Space will become one committee, continuing focus on Blvd of the arts
  - Website/Social media
    - Almost 1000 followers on social media!
  - Zoning
    - Zoning Community Workshop: November, 28, 5:30 pm, City Hall Annex
    - Strong attendance requested
5. Other Business
- RDA membership status - positive and continues to grow!
6. Schedule for future meetings
- Next board meetings: Tuesday, December 11, 2018, and Tuesday, January 8, 2019, at 5:30 PM - Cityside Apartments
  - Next community meeting: Wednesday, January 23, 2019
  - Election Night: Wednesday, February 20, 2019

**Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.**

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