

**CITY OF ST. CLOUD
COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (CRA)
MINUTES
1300 9TH STREET; BUILDING A, 3RD FLOOR, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
THURSDAY, AUGUST 22, 2019 5:30PM**

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ROLL CALL

- Chair Nathan Blackwell (present)
- Vice Chair Linette Matheny (present)
- Member Dave Askew (present)
- Member Chuck Cooper (present)
- Member Keith Trace (present)
- Member Joel Davis (present)
- Member Dwight Loeding (present)

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – MAY 16, 2019

Member Loeding provided a motion to approve the minutes. Member Cooper provided a second to the motion. *The vote was 7-0 with all members voting “aye.”*

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Makinson’s Building Update (918 New York Avenue)

Mr. André Anderson, Planning and Zoning Director provided an update to the Makinson Building stating that the roof has been repaired, the creeping fig vine has been removed, and the back porch has been removed. Mr. Anderson also provided information regarding mold remediation for the building.

B. 10th Street Vacant Parking Lot (behind Makinson’s Bldg.)

Mr. Anderson provided details about the proposal to pursue the purchase of the vacant property behind the Makinson Building.

- The Board discussed the pros and cons if the building was to be acquired and how the property could be used or developed.

Member Matheny provided a motion to purchase the property for the tax sale price that it was purchased for in 2018, which was \$52,000. Member Askew provided a second to the motion. The vote was 4-3 with Member Trace voting “nay”, Member Loeding voting “nay”, and Member Cooper voting “nay”.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Budget Amendment – Phase 2 Downtown Revitalization

Mr. Anderson explained that the budget amendment would provide funds for the engineering of Phase 2 Downtown Revitalization.

Member Trace provided a motion to approve the budget amendment for the Phase 2 Downtown Revitalization. Member Askew provided a second to the motion. *The vote was 7-0 with all members voting “aye.”*

B. FY 2019/2020 CRA Budget Approval

Mr. Anderson presented the budget and provided a general overview.

Member Askew provided a motion to approve the Budget for FY 2019/2020. Member Cooper provided a second to the motion. The vote was 6-1 with Member Loeding voting “nay”.

VII. STAFF REPORT/UPDATE

- Ms. Shelley Watson, CRA Specialist provided an update on the budget with the balances in the accounts.
- Ms. Watson noted that the last Building and Site Improvement Grant (BSIG) for the 18/19 fiscal year has been completed, which was for The Transition House.
- Ms. Watson reminded the Board about the upcoming Florida Redevelopment Association (FRA) Conference in Tampa that will be held in October.

VIII. MEMBERS UPDATE

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT

X. INFORMATION

Next CRA Meeting – Thursday, October 3, 2019

XI. ADJOURNMENT

6:13pm

Respectfully submitted:

Nathan Blackwell, Board Chairman

Date

Jessie Light, CRA Secretary

Date