

**CITY OF ST. CLOUD
COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (CRA)
MINUTES
1300 9TH STREET; BUILDING A, 3RD FLOOR, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 2019 6:00PM**

I. OPENING BUSINESS

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 (absent)
- Member Dwight Loeding (present)

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – FEBRUARY 7, 2019

Member Askew provided a motion to approve the minutes. Member Loeding provided a second to the motion. *The vote was 6-0 with all members voting “aye.”*

V. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Property Acquisition: 918 New York Avenue – Update
Mr. Dan Mantzaris, City Attorney provided an update to the property under contract. He informed the Board that the due diligence inspection expires on March 28, 2019 and if the Board proceeds with the acquisition of the property then closing will occur 15 days after, which will be on April 12, 2019. The title work on the property has been completed and has been deemed a clean title. Also, a Phase I Environmental Study has been completed by Ardaman and Associates, and from this study a map from 1915 shows that there was a 250 gallon gasoline tank underground, just south of the property. Mr. Mantzaris goes on to inform the Board that Ardaman and Associates recommends that a Phase II Environmental Study be completed to test the soil for any contamination from the tank.

Member Trace provided a motion to retain the services of Ardaman and Associates with an estimate of \$6,000 to conduct the Phase II Environmental Site Assessment, and if the results come back negative then proceed as the Board has currently outlined, if it comes back that there are issues with the assessment then an authorization of extension with the seller or a termination of contract would be an option. Member Askew provided a second to the motion. *The vote was 6-0 with all members voting “aye.”*

VI. NEW BUSINESS

- A. 2018 CRA Annual Report
Ms. Shelley Watson presented the 2018 CRA Annual Report that is required by statute to provide a copy to all taxing authorities, Osceola County and to the State of Florida.

Member Askew provided a motion to approve the 2018 CRA Annual Report. Member Matheny provided a second to the motion. *The vote was 6-0 with all members voting "aye."*

B. CRA Board Training Update

Ms. Watson stated that Redevelopment Management Associates RMA has been contacted and provided general topics to the Board asking, specifically, what type of training they would like to see.

- The Board discussed this agenda item and concluded that they would like to see CRA general objectives, best practices, and an emphasis of CRA projects in other cities.

VII. STAFF REPORT/UPDATE

Ms. Watson provided an update to the HWY 192 Irrigation Project Re-Bid stating that this was advertised on February 10, 2019 and the bid opening was March 12, 2019.

VIII. MEMBERS UPDATE

IX. PUBLIC COMMENT

X. INFORMATION

Next CRA Meeting – Thursday April 4, 2019 (Changed)

XI. ADJOURNMENT 6:18pm

Respectfully submitted:

Nathan Blackwell, Board Chairman

Date

Jessie Light, CRA Secretary

Date