

City of Port St. Lucie

Community Redevelopment

Agency

121 SW Port St. Lucie
Blvd.
Port St. Lucie, Florida
34984

Meeting Minutes - Final

Shannon M. Martin, Chairman

Jolien Caraballo, Vice Chairman, District IV
Stephanie Morgan, Councilwoman, District I
Dave Pickett, Councilman, District II
Anthony Bonna, Sr., Councilman, District III

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Monday, November 25, 2024

5:30 PM

Council Chambers, City Hall

Meeting to follow the 5:00 PM Board of Zoning Appeals

1. Meeting Called to Order

A Regular Meeting of the COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (CRA) of the City of Port St. Lucie was called to order by Chair Martin on November 25, 2024, at 5:32 p.m., at Port St. Lucie City Hall, 121 SW Port St. Lucie Boulevard, Port St. Lucie, Florida.

2. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

Members Present:

Chair Shannon M. Martin
Vice Chair Jolien Caraballo
Anthony Bonna
Stephanie Morgan
Dave Pickett

3. Pledge of Allegiance

This item was heard at a previous meeting.

4. Oath of Office for Newly Elected and Re-Elected Board Members

4.a Oath of Office for Re-Elected Board Members

2024-1172

The City Clerk administered the Oath of Office to Vice Chair Caraballo and Mr. Pickett.

5. Additions and Deletions to the Agenda and Approval of the Agenda

Vice Chair Caraballo moved to approve the Agenda. Mr. Pickett seconded the

motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

6. Approval of Consent Agenda

(Clerk's Note: This item was heard after Item 8 a).

Vice Chair Caraballo moved to approve the Consent Agenda with Items 6 b), c) and d) pulled for further discussion. Mr. Pickett seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by voice vote.

6.a Approval of the September 23, 2024 Community
Redevelopment Agency Meeting Minutes

[2024-1011](#)

Approval of the Consent Agenda

(Clerk's Note: This item was heard after Item 8 a).

Vice Chair Caraballo moved to approve the Consent Agenda with Items 6 b), c) and d) pulled for further discussion. Mr. Pickett seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by voice vote.

6.b Approve a License Agreement for Installation of The Port
District Branding Lettering on Existing Signage at the
Walgreens Store located at 1025 SE Port St. Lucie Boulevard.

[2024-1178](#)

Vice Chair Caraballo moved to deny Item 6 b). Mr. Bonna seconded the motion, which passed by roll call vote with Chair Martin, Vice Chair Caraballo, Mr. Bonna voting in favor and Ms. Morgan & Mr. Pickett voting against. Chair Martin expressed that she was in favor of the gateway sign in this area.

6.c Approve a License Agreement for Installation of The Port
District Branding Lettering on Existing Signage at the
Rivergate Plaza located at 1091 SE Port St. Lucie Boulevard.

[2024-1179](#)

Vice Chair Caraballo moved to deny Item 6 c). Mr. Bonna seconded the motion, which passed by roll call vote with Chair Martin, Vice Chair Caraballo, Mr. Bonna & Mr. Pickett voting in favor and Ms. Morgan voting against.

6.d Approve a License Agreement for Installation of The Port
District Branding Lettering on Existing Signage at the Mobil
Gas Station located at 1090 SE Port St. Lucie Boulevard.

[2024-1180](#)

Vice Chair Caraballo moved to deny Item 6 d). Mr. Bonna seconded the motion, which passed by roll call vote with Chair Martin, Vice Chair Caraballo, Mr. Bonna & Mr. Pickett voting in favor and Ms. Morgan voting against.

7. Public to be Heard

There was nothing heard under this item.

8. New Business

8.a Update on Branding for The Port District and Walton & One

[2024-1159](#)

(Clerk's Note: This item was heard after Item 5).

(Clerk's Note: A PowerPoint was shown at this time.) Jennifer Davis, Community Redevelopment Agency Director, provided an update on key point gateway signs, public art, wayfinding signs and the budget. Vice Chair Caraballo felt that the existing fountain/corner signs did not meet the City's standards, therefore she stated that she would not support them. She also inquired about the feathered flags, to which Ms. Davis replied that they were only used for special events. Ms. Davis informed the Board that the Walgreens gateway sign area was not funded nor were the details of an agreement worked out. Chair Martin suggested implementing the City gateway signs with The Port signs. Mr. Pickett felt that the existing corner signs needed to be updated, to which Ms. Davis replied that the fountain sign would be painted. Mr. Bonna stated that temporary signs needed to meet the City's standard of excellence.

Ms. Davis gave an update on the Walton & One signs (US 1 sign & interior parking signs), she explained that the signs would be temporary until the Master Sign Plan was developed. Chair Martin suggested using the City branding colors as opposed to the gray color.

Vice Chair Caraballo moved to approve Item 8 a.) Walton & One concept. Mr. Pickett seconded the motion, which passed unanimously by voice vote.

8.b Update on River Speed Zones

[2024-1154](#)

(Clerk's Note: A PowerPoint was shown at this time.) Russ Blackburn, Special Assistant to the City Manager, stated that they were collecting data to establish a Slow Speed Zone. He informed the Board that he would be presenting an ordinance which would adopt speed & idle zones in the Port area and the C-24 canal. He explained that the zones, nautical locations of the hazards and the locations of the signs needed to be identified in the ordinance before the application could be submitted. Mr. Pickett inquired about navigation lights, to which Mr. Blackburn replied that the costs are very high, but it is a priority to light the Port St. Lucie Blvd bridge.

Vice Chair Caraballo stated that Cape Coral's canals have slow speed all year, therefore she requested that staff review the City's canals to ensure that they can become slow speed areas. She stated that a further discussion on Marine Patrol was needed.

9. Other Issues by Board Members

There was nothing heard under this item.

10. Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

Sally Walsh, City Clerk

Shanna Donleavy, Deputy City Clerk