

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF STUART
COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT BOARD HELD IN CITY HALL, 121
SOUTHWEST FLAGLER AVENUE, STUART, FLORIDA ON TUESDAY,
DECEMBER 6, 2011**

Those present: Frank Wacha, Jr., Chairman
David Collier, Vice Chairman
Sharon Fitzke
Pete Walson
Samia Ferraro

Those absent: Jean Laws Scott
Johnnie Bell

Also present: Deanna Freeman, Senior Planner
Teresa Lamar-Sarno, CRA Administrator

I. CALL TO ORDER: Chairman

Chairman Wacha called the meeting to order at 4:15PM

II. ROLL CALL: Secretary

Those answering roll call and others present are referenced above.

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: November 9, 2011

MOTION: Pete Walson
SECOND: David Collier

Motion carried 5/0

Public Comments: None

Board Comments: None

1. Minor Urban Code Exception for the public artwork associated with The SDG Group

Presentation: Deanna Freeman, Senior Planner

Public Comments: None

Board Comments:

Sharon Fitzke asked if the artist rendering was what it was going to look like.

Deanna Freeman said it was.

David Collier said it is attractive but was concerned that someone may drive into it and asked what was to stop a vehicle from doing so.

Deanna Freeman said one of the criteria is whether it is a safety hazard and the response in the submittal was the artwork is within a two foot wide by two foot deep collection basin and there are no safety hazards.

Mark Vincini with SDG Group said in reality there is the street, a bike path, a six foot sidewalk, a two foot well, trees and a light pole, so they would have to go through all of that.

Chairman Wacha asked if there would be a mosaic of any kind.

Mark Vincini said there is glass tile on the front of it and water will be on the tile and at night when the lights shoot up out of the catch basin, it will look great.

Chairman Wacha said it is tile and will last as far as quality but he would rather see some type of theme.

Mark Vincini said that would be signage.

Chairman Wacha said maybe a theme like marine life.

Mark Vincini said they had considered a sunset theme.

David Collier said this project has been in the works for a long time and is very happy they were finally able to make it work.

MOTION: David Collier moved to approve the Minor Urban Code Exception for the public artwork associated with The SDG Group

SECOND: Pete Walson

Motion carried: 4/1 with Chairman Wacha dissenting

Staff Comments:

Teresa Lamar-Sarno updated the board on the Outdoor Dining Plan draft she received and what the Joint CRA/CRB meeting reviewed. She said they are also working on an East Stuart Mainstreet workshop on taxes specifically for businesses which they are hosting in February. She said it was Samia Ferraro's last meeting as she has resigned and she will be missed.

Samia Ferraro asked if staff was given an opportunity to do an "in-person presentation" on the Colorado grant.

Teresa Lamar-Sarno said they did at the last meeting which Samia missed and updated her.

Pete Walson asked if there was a timeline on the signs.

Teresa Lamar-Sarno said they should have a permit from FDOT later this week.

David Collier said he was very sorry that Samia Ferraro was leaving the board and he also found himself losing track of what the CRA staff is working on. He said he would like to see a list of all of the projects and services the CRA is working on quarterly.

Teresa Lamar-Sarno said that staff works on programs that are on the book plus many other programs and projects and that she would report to them quarterly.

Chairman Wacha said the board would definitely miss Samia Ferraro.

IV. NEXT CRB MEETING: January 3, 2012

V. ADJOURN:

MOTION: Pete Walson

SECOND: Sharon Fitzke

Motion carried 5/0

Chairman Wacha, there being no further business before the Board the meeting is adjourned at 4:43PM.

APPROVED

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED

Frank Wacha, Jr., Chairman

Michelle Vicat, Board Secretary