

May 6, 2015 - 5:30 PM - City Hall - 3rd Floor Council Chambers

AGENDA

- Call to Order
- Citizen Comments Items Not on the Agenda
- 3. Approve the Minutes from the April 1, 2015 Regular Monthly Meeting
- 4. Adopt March 2015 Financial Statement for Filing
- Discussion Regarding Messages on Ft. Harrison Electronic Message Boards
 Paul Bertels, Traffic Operations Manager
- Adopt 2014 Annual Financial Report and Audit Results Laura Krueger Brock and Sue Pagan; CBIZ MHM, LLC
- 7. Appoint Treasurer Rubright to Committee to Review Annual Independent CPA Audit Request for Proposal/Qualifications (RFP/Q) Submittals
- Second Reading Approve funding of four months of the "Art in the Park" event by the Clearwater Center for the Arts in the amount of \$2,635 using funds from reserves.
- 9. Chairman's Report
- Topics for Future Meetings
- 11. Final Comments
- 12. Adjournment

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CLEARWATER DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT BOARD MEETING April 1, 2015 – 5:30 PM – City Hall – Council Chambers

Members Present: Paris Morfopoulos Chairman

Dennis Bosi Vice-Chairman
Craig Rubright Treasurer
Thomas Wright Member
Chelsea Allison Member
Tony Starova Member
Stu Sjouwerman Member

Also Present: Bill Jonson Ex-Officio/Councilmember

Jay Polglaze Ex-Officio/Councilmember

Anne Fogarty France Board Administrator

Geri Campos Lopez Director, Economic Development &

Housing Department

- Chairman Morfopoulos called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. The Chairman asked the Downtown Development Board (DDB) members and Ex-Officio members to introduce themselves.
- 2. Citizen Comments Items Not on the Agenda. There were no citizen comments.
- Approve the Minutes from the March 4, 2015 DDB Meeting

Member Wright moved to approve the minutes from the March 4, 2015 meeting. The motion was duly seconded.

Anne Fogarty France noted that on Page 3 Member Wright was referred to as Member Thomas and noted that she would make that correction.

Member Wright amended his motion to reflect the correction, the motion was duly seconded and upon roll call, the vote was:

"Ayes": Chairman Paris Morfopoulos, Vice-Chairman Dennis Bosi, Treasurer

Craig Rubright, Member Allison, Member Starova, Member Sjouwerman

and Member Wright

"Navs": None.

Adopt February 2015 Financial Statement for Filing

Vice Chairman Bosi moved to adopt the February 2015 Financial Statement for Filing. The motion was duly seconded. Discussion ensued and Member Wright asked staff to provide a regular update on the available funds in the reserve account. Upon roll call, the vote was:

"Ayes": Chairman Paris Morfopoulos, Vice-Chairman Dennis Bosi, Treasurer

Craig Rubright, Member Allison, Member Starova, Member Sjouwerman

and Member Wright.

"Nays": None.

 Economic Development Strategic Plan Update – Geri Campos Lopez introduced Audra Aja, Economic Development Coordinator.

Ms. Aja provided a hard copy of the PowerPoint presentation as wells as a map of the Clearwater Central Business District to members and gave the update to the strategic plan.

Ms. Fogarty France provided an update on DDB specific items.

6. Sponsorship Request – Art in the Park/Clearwater Center for the Arts

Shelley Jaffe discussed the Sponsorship Request submittal and stated that she understood the importance of doing regular events. She is proposing four events, once a month on the third Saturday of the month. The events will be themed. Fashion Designer Lina Teixiera, tenants from of the Brown Brothers Building, Socrates Dance Studio and Daddy's Girl Deli are among the merchants who will remain open for the event.

Member Wright moved to approve funding four months of "Art in the Park" in the amount of \$2,635 using funds from reserves. The motion was duly seconded and upon roll call the vote was:

"Ayes": Chairman Paris Morfopoulos, Vice-Chairman Dennis Bosi, Treasurer

Craig Rubright, Member Allison, Member Starova, Member Sjouwerman

and Member Wright.

"Nays": None

Ex-Officio/Councilmember Polglaze asked Ms. Jaffe to provide updates to the DDB to assist in marketing the event and suggested a back-up plan for possible inclement weather.

Member Wright asked Ms. Jaffe to bring collateral next month.

2nd Reading - Cleveland Street Banners

An outline of the Cleveland Street District Banner Proposal, the next steps and a timeline were presented to the DDB members by Member Allison reviewed each point.

Member Wright moved to approve the funding of the banner program in an amount not to exceed \$7,700 upon second reading. The motion was duly seconded and upon roll call, the vote was:

"Ayes": Chairman Paris Morfopoulos, Vice-Chairman Dennis Bosi, Treasurer

Craig Rubright, Member Allison, Member Starova, Member Sjouwerman

and Member Wright

"Nays": None.

8. Appoint DDB Member to Committee for Update to Downtown Redevelopment Plan – Now known as "Downtown Plan Update Working Group" – Chairman Paris Morfopoulos

Member Wright moved to nominate Treasurer Rubright as the primary representative on the Downtown Plan Update Working Group and Vice-Chairman Bosi as the alternate. The motion was duly seconded and upon roll call, the vote was:

"Ayes": Chairman Paris Morfopoulos, Vice-Chairman Dennis Bosi, Treasurer Craig Rubright, Member Allison, Member Starova, Member Sjouwerman

and Member Wright

"Nays": None.

9. Feedback on Proposed LED Light for Cleveland Street Palm Trees

Ms. Fogarty France asked for feedback regarding the light that was installed. A suggestion was made to have two lights on each palm tree. Ms. Fogarty France agreed to get a quote for both one and two lights per tree. She will also ask Mr. Gloster and Mr. Sheldon to attend the next meeting.

- 10. Cleveland Street Pedestrian Mall Update Ms. Fogarty France stated that she was copied on an email from City Manager Bill Horne stating "that concluded that the Cleveland Street Pedestrian Mall Concept will be very difficult to implement and meet a variety of stakeholder expectations. He recommended that we don't implement this concept". After discussion, members agreed that this was not the time to move forward with this idea.
- 11. Approve DDB FY 2015 Sponsorship Request Form Ms. Fogarty France advised that the only changes since last year were date changes. If approved the form will be sent out on April 15, 2015 to organizations previously receiving board support.

Discussion ensued regarding meeting the banner and barricade requirements that applicants had signed off on and enforcement of these requirements.

Member Wright moved to approve the 2015 Downtown Development Board Sponsorship Request Form. The motion was duly seconded. After discussion, the roll call vote was:

"Ayes": Vice-Chairman Dennis Bosi, Treasurer Craig Rubright, Member Allison,

Member Starova, Member Sjouwerman and Member Wright

"Nays": None.

12. Chairman's Report (taken out of order because Chairman Morfopoulos had to leave the meeting early)

Chairman Morfopoulos announced the special meeting of the Clearwater Downtown Development Board, the Clearwater Redevelopment Agency, the Clearwater Downtown Partnership and the Clearwater Regional Chamber regarding the ULI recommendations on Monday, April 13, 2015, the 23rd Annual Easter Egg Hunt on Sunday, April 5, 2015 and the All Art, All Day Clearwater event on Saturday, April 18, 2015.

He stated that the Clearwater Parks and Recreation Department was planning a Kentucky Derby themed street festival on Saturday, May 2, 2015 in Station Square Park and along Cleveland Street from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Chairman Morfopoulos asked the board for any comments on the last Blast Friday as noted in e-mail messages sent by a board member.

There was considerable discussion and the idea of Ruth Eckerd Hall having an approved "Plan B" was raised in order to keep funds in the district. A final request was to send individual comments to Anne Fogarty France so the DDB can come forward with a united voice.

Topics for Future Meetings

- Signs/Downtown Code
- Ask Traffic Manager to attend the meeting
- Moving the Turner Street kiosk to downtown
- · Construct a mailing list for use by the DDB

14. Final Comments

Treasurer Rubright wished everyone who celebrates a Happy Easter.

Member Wright advised that during a meeting with Ms. Fogarty France earlier in the week he was made aware of two new businesses in the 600 block of Cleveland Street. He intends to stop by to meet them and suggests other DDB members do the same and possibly get some feed-back.

Member Allison wished everyone a good night.

Member Sjouwerman had no further comments to make.

Member Starova advised that GFI left the Cleveland Street District. Traffic from Dolphin Tale has been tremendous the past two weeks and a sign is needed to bring people up the street to the businesses. Mr. Sjouwerman noted that his business would be moving into the space vacated by GFI and increasing the number of employees.

Ex-Officio/Councilmember Polglaze commented that downtown was very busy this evening due to an event at the Capitol Theatre.

Ex-Officio/Councilmember Jonson stated that he went to the opening of the Clearwater Center for the Arts. He added that he had visited six businesses along Ft. Harrison to learn about their business. Businesses reported that crime was down, police were cooperative and Clearwater was okay.

Vice-Chairman Bosi wished everyone a Happy Easter.

15. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

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17	Expenditures				
18	Experiences				
19	Promoting District				
20	Banner Installation & Maintenance	600	140	320	280
21	Downtown Streetscape Maintenance	3,200	140	320	
22	Boatslip Construction & Maint	50,000		50,000	3,200
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33	6th Annual Achieva Box Car Rally	1,000			1,000
34	Clw Superboat National Championship	10,000			10,000
35	City/Clw Celebrates America	1,250			1,250
36	City/Fun n' Sun Festival	5,000			5,000
37	City/Sea Blues Festival	5,000			5,000
38	Blast Friday	17,979		17,500	479
39	Clearwater Jazz Festival	5,000		5,000	0
40	Farmer's Market Support	6,500		6,500	0
41	Pianos on Main Street/Pop-Up Gallery	1,800		2,300	(500)
42	Santa & Suds Race/Walk for ASL & Deaf	3,500		3,500	0
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50	Public Meeting Notices	2,000	80	355	1,645
51	Legal Fees	3,500		125	3,375
52	CRA Mgt & Admin Fee	63,724	5,310	31,860	31,864
53	DDB Minutes Preparation	1,300	200	600	700
54	Total Staff & Office Admin	71,474	5,619	33,171	38,303
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56	Fixed Payments				
57	Officers & Directors Insurance	700			700
58	Liability Insurance (Dolphins)	1,422		1,246	176
59	Annual Audit	9,100		8,100	1,000
60	CRA Increment Payment	160,178	(640)	154,566	5,612
61	State Special District Fee	175		175	0
62	Property Appraiser Fee	2,231	558	1,643	588
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