

**FRUITLAND PARK COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING
MINUTES
September 22, 2016**

A meeting of the Fruitland Park Community Redevelopment Agency was held at 506 W. Berckman Street, Fruitland Park, Florida 34731 on Thursday, September 22, 2016 at 7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Mayor Christopher Bell, Vice Mayor John L. Gunter, Jr., Commissioners Christopher Cheshire, Ray Lewis and Rick Ranize.

Also Present: City Manager Gary La Venia, City Attorney Anita Geraci-Carver, City Treasurer Jeannine Michaud-Racine; Police Chief Michael A. Fewless, Assistant Fire Chief Don Gilpin; Fire Department Lieutenant Tim Yoder, Firefighters Emily Fisher, Madison Leary, Chris Lewis, and David Campbell, Fire Department; Community Development Administrative Assistant Tracy Kelley, Public Works Director Dale Bogle; and City Clerk Esther B. Coulson.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bell called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Upon Mayor Bell's request, Ms. Coulson called the roll and a quorum was declared present.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No one from the public appeared before the CRA at this time.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Commissioner Cheshire, seconded by Vice Mayor Gunter and unanimously carried, the CRA approved the August 25, 2016 minutes as submitted.

5. RESOLUTION 2016-002, CRA

Ms. Geraci-Carver read into the record proposed CRA Resolution 2016-002, the substance of which is as follows:

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT
AGENCY OF THE CITY OF FRUITLAND PARK, FLORIDA,
RECOMMENDING ADOPTION OF THE AMENDED COMMUNITY
REDEVELOPMENT PLAN TO THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE
CITY OF FRUITLAND PARK; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE
DATE.

By unanimous consent, and upon the request of the Chief Executive Officer, LPG Urban and Regional Planners, Inc., the CRA recommended the approval of carrying over LPG's testimony to the regular city commission meeting.

Mr. Greg Beliveau, LPG Urban and Regional Planners Inc., referred to the city commission's consideration of the Community Redevelopment Plan (CRA) at its

April 7, 2016 workshop. He indicated that LPG, at the city commission's request, identified CRA projects to expend CRA funds --- namely, specific city streets, water connection lines, and tree trimming -- forecasted to be available over a five-year period; pointed out a complete list of items under Section 7.0, Major Goals, Objectives and Policies reflected on page 30 of the CRA Plan.

After discussion and **on motion of Commissioner Ranize, seconded by Vice Mayor Gunter and unanimously carried, the CRA adopted Resolution 2016-002 and recommending approval to the city commission for approval.**

6. NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Ranize requested the CRA's opinion to including two individuals (a resident and business owner) to serve on the CRA which has to be implemented by ordinance by the city commission.

In response to Mayor Bell's inquiry, Mr. Beliveau mentioned the hardship in the past when involving citizen participation at the city and recognized and gave examples where various municipal CRAs composed of the entire elected body, elected body with citizens, and citizens.

Commissioner Ranize requested that the matter be placed on the next agenda for consideration.

7. ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business to come before the CRA at this time, on motion made, second and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

The minutes were approved at the March 23, 2017 meeting.

Signed 

Esther B. Coulson, City Clerk

Signed 

Christopher Bell, Mayor