

**FRUITLAND PARK COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
January 26, 2023**

A special meeting of the Fruitland Park Community Redevelopment Agency was held at 506 W. Berckman Street, Fruitland Park, Florida 34731 on Thursday, January 26, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Mayor Chris Cheshire, Vice Mayor Patrick DeGrave, Commissioners John Gunter Jr., and John Mobilian.

Member Absent: Commissioner Chris Bell.

Also Present: City Manager Gary La Venia; City Attorney Anita Geraci-Carver; City Treasurer Jeannine Racine; Captain Henry Rains, Police Department; Mr. Michael “Mike” Rankin, Interim Community Development Director, LPG Urban Regional Planners Inc. (consultant retained by the city); Parks and Recreation Director Michelle Yoder; Deputy City Clerk Candice Dennis, and City Clerk Esther B. Coulson.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Cheshire called the meeting to order.

ACTION: 6:47:10 p.m. No action was taken.

2. ROLL CALL

Mayor Cheshire requested that Ms. Coulson call the roll where a quorum was declared present.

ACTION: 6:47:11 p.m. **By unanimous consent, the CRA excused the absence of Commissioner Chris Bell.**

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The CRA considered its action to approve January 12, 2023 CRA regular and workshop minutes.

ACTION: 6:47:19 p.m. **On motion of Commissioner Mobilian, seconded by Commissioner Gunter and unanimously carried, the CRA approved the previously cited minutes as submitted.**

4. GAZEBO INSTALLATION FOR FRUITLAND PARK COMMUNITY CENTER’S COURTYARD

The CRA considered its action to consider one of the following quotes for a gazebo installation:

Zorn Construction and Development LLC	\$21,715.00
JDM Global	\$17,413.00

After Ms. Yoder gave reasons why she recommended the selection of Zorn Construction and Development LLC and Mr. Rankin explained that the JDM Global's proposal which did not meet what was required to install the gazebo, Ms. Geraci-Carver confirmed in the affirmative to Vice Mayor DeGrave's inquiry that it is permissible to award the recommended bid according to the city's purchasing and bidding policy.

ACTION: 6:47:38 p.m. After much discussion and on motion of Vice Mayor DeGrave and seconded by Commissioner Gunter and unanimously carried, the CRA recommended the approval of staff's recommendation to approve Zorn Construction and Development LLC as the most responsive and responsible bidder for \$21,715.00.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

After Mr. Carl Yauk, The Villages of Fruitland Park (Pine Hills resident), questioned whether electricity would be added to the gazebo, Mr. LaVenia agreed with Ms. Yoder's response that although it is not included in the quote, it can be made available in the future.

ACTION: 6:55:11 p.m. No action was taken.


6. OTHER BUSINESS


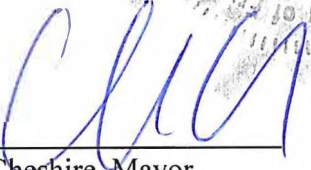
There was no other business to come before the CRA.

ACTION: 6:56:07 p.m. No action was taken.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m.


Signed
Esther B. Coulson, City Clerk, MMC



Signed
Chris Cheshire, Mayor