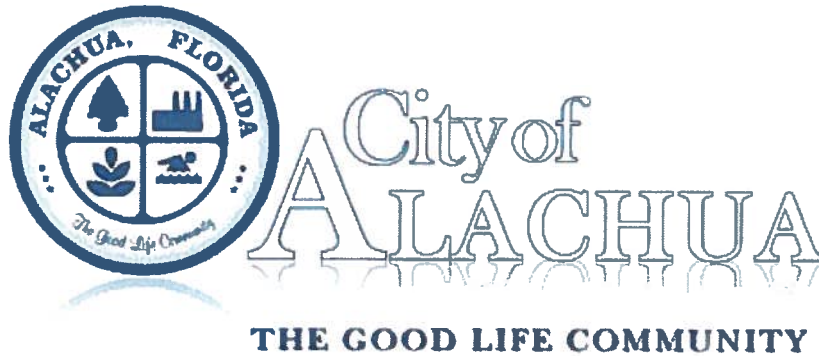




**Community Redevelopment Agency Advisory Board Meeting
Minutes
March 19, 2018**

Chair Rudy Rothseiden
Vice - Chair Bryan Boukari
Member Marvin Bingham, Jr.
Member Kelly Harris
Member Rick Robertson

Executive Director Traci L. Gresham

**Community Redevelopment Agency
Advisory Board Meeting
3:00 PM**

Meeting Date: March 19, 2018

Meeting Location: James A. Lewis Commission Chambers

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CRA ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

Led by Vice Chair Bryan Boukari. Chair Rudy Rothseiden was absent.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Member Marvin Bingham, Jr. moved to approve the agenda; seconded by Member Kelly Harris.

Passed by unanimous consent.

I. OLD BUSINESS

None.

II. NEW BUSINESS

A. Approval of the Minutes of the February 26th, 2018 CRA Advisory Board Meeting

Member Harris moved to accept the minutes; seconded by Member Rick Robertson.

Vice Chair Boukari opened the floor for Board comments.

There were no comments.

Pass by unanimous consent.

B. Phase III Main Street Beautification

CRA Coordinator Chelsea Bakaitis presented the Staff Report.

Project Manager Ted William presented about Phase III of the Main Street Beautification Project and availed himself for questions.

During the presentation, Member Harris inquired about "historic buildings" being part of the elevator speech.

CRA Coordinator Bakaitis responded.

Member Rick Robertson inquired about raised sidewalks.

Project Manager Williams responded.

Vice Chair Boukari inquired about the brick work in Phase III.

Project Manager Williams responded.

Member Harris suggested including a south east parking space in the project area, and recommended times of day for construction.

Project Manager Williams accepted comments.

Vice Chair Boukari opened the floor for board comments.

There were no comments.

Vice Chair Boukari opened the floor for public comment. There were no comments.

C. CRA Activities Staff Update

CRA Coordinator Bakaitis presented the Staff Report.

Member Harris communicated her concerns for early street closures, the need for kid friendly activities, and the ability to learn from the event.

Member Bingham suggested leaving streets opened.

Member Robertson agreed with previous comments.

Member Harris inquired about the alcoholic beverage licensing.

CRA Coordinator Bakaitis responded.

Vice Chair Boukari agreed.

Member Harris suggested combining events, such as the car show during the Third Thursday Event.

Vice Chair Boukari opened the floor for public comment.

There were no public comments.

D. CRA Annual Report FY 2016-2017

CRA Coordinator Bakaitis presented the Staff Report.

Member Robertson inquired about the Annual Report financial breakdown.

CRA Coordinator Bakaitis responded.

Vice Chair Boukari suggested that more information be brought to the next meeting.

Member Harris agreed.

Vice Chair Boukari opened the floor for public comment.

There was no public comment.

III. BOARD COMMENTS/DISCUSSION

Member Harris shared about the accomplishments by the CRA, and she also inquired about the upcoming facade grants to help Main Street businesses.

CRA Coordinator Bakaitis responded. Member Robertson requested the Fiscal 2017 Financial Statement.

Member Harris asked for clarification about an item on the Power Point.

CRA Coordinator Bakaitis responded. Member Robertson encouraged the Board members to attend the CRA meetings.

Vice Chair Boukari agreed.

Member Harris agreed.

Vice Chair Boukari shared his concerns that the facade grant program be effective for Main Street businesses.

He also suggested that a historic walking tour map be created, and that the required Certificate of Appropriateness for changes to buildings in the Historic District be streamlined and/or modified.

Member Harris asked for clarification about the Third Thursday events and activities.

Vice Chair opened the floor for comments. There were no comments.

IV. CITIZENS COMMENTS

None.

ADJOURN

Member Harris moved to adjourn; seconded by Member Bingham.

Passed by unanimous consent.

ATTEST:


CRA Advisory Board Chair

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OF ALACHUA, FLORIDA


Staff Liaison