

COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING

A Regular Community Redevelopment Meeting was held on February 28, 2022 at 5:45 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall.

CRA Board President Wilkeson called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m. Roll call was taken. Present were members Lance Smith, Kenneth Burgess, Jodi Wilkeson, Alan Knight, Charles Proctor and Mayor Gene Whitfield. City Manager William Poe and City Attorney Matthew Maggard were also present.

Staff present: CRA Director Gail Hamilton, Public Information Officer Kevin Weiss, IT Director Mike Panak and City Clerk Lori Hillman.

1. BUSINESS ITEMS

1.1 Approval/Correction of February 14, 2022 CRA Minutes

Alan Knight moved to approve the February 14, 2022 CRA Minutes. Seconded by Lance Smith. Motion passed unanimously.

1.2 Commercial Sign Grant Planet Jupiter Hookah Lounge – 38430 5th Avenue

CRA Director Gail Hamilton corrected the address for Planet Jupiter Hookah Lounge to 38438 5th Avenue. The Commercial Sign Grant will provide \$631.73 toward the sign cost of \$2,400.50. The grant application meets all requirements, the sign is in compliance with the City's sign ordinance, and staff recommended approval. The grant does not include costs associated with engineered drawings, surveys, permits or taxes.

Spoke from the floor: John Clarke – 38438 5th Avenue – Zephyrhills, Florida

Mr. Clarke explained a Hookah Lounge is an establishment where patrons share flavored tobacco from a hookah pipe. The lounge holds a beer, wine and champagne license and all patrons are required to show proof of I.D. for access. He said if he applies for a CBD license in the future, patrons will be able to purchase product from the CBD store next door for use at the Planet Jupiter Hookah Lounge. He said current customers are traveling from Brooksville, Lakeland, Land O'Lakes, Wesley Chapel and Tampa. Hours are currently Wednesday and Thursday, 6:00 p.m. – 12:00 a.m., Friday and Saturday, 6:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m., and Sunday, 4:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. (varies).

Ken Burgess moved to approve the Commercial Sign Grant for Planet Jupiter Hookah Lounge. Seconded by Lance Smith. Motion passed unanimously.

2. CRA DIRECTOR'S REPORT

N/A

3. MAIN STREET ACTIVITY REPORT

N/A

4. CITIZEN COMMENTS

N/A

Meeting Adjourned: 5:50 p.m.
Submitted by Lori L. Hillman