

**REGULAR MEETING  
MIDTOWN REDEVELOPMENT AREA BOARD  
MINUTES  
Tuesday, December 8, 2015**

The regular meeting of the Midtown Redevelopment Area Board was held Tuesday, December 8, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. in the Commission Chambers, Daytona Beach City Hall, 301 S. Ridgewood Avenue, Daytona Beach, Florida. The following people were present:

**Board Members Present**

Mr. Martin Tooley, Chair  
Mr. Tony Barhoo  
Ms. Kenya Ford  
Mr. Danny Fuqua  
Mr. Steven Miller (arrived at 6:30 p.m.)  
Mr. Oliver Ross

**Staff Members Present**

Mr. Reed Berger, Redevelopment Director  
Mr. Charles Bryant, Redevelopment Project Manager  
Mr. Ben Gross, Assistant City Attorney  
Ms. Becky Groom, Board Secretary

**1. Call to Order**

Mr. Tooley called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**2. Roll Call**

The roll was called and attendance was noted as stated above.

**3. Invocation**

Mr. Tooley gave the invocation.

**4. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

Mr. Barhoo led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**5. Approval of Minutes for October 13, 2015**

A motion was made by Mr. Fuqua, seconded by Mr. Ross, to approve the minutes of the October 13, 2015, regular meeting of the Midtown Redevelopment Board. The motion carried unanimously (5-0).

6. **Staff Report**

**Police Department**

Mr. Tooley noted a decrease in crimes in certain areas, including sexual battery on children. He noted there have been 31 people shot in 2015 and domestic violence has increased through the year. Mr. Tooley stated a number of the persons involved in car thefts have been apprehended and the automobiles have been recovered. Mr. Tooley stated he feels the Police are doing a great job.

**Code Enforcement**

Mr. Tooley discussed the report as included in the packet which has been prepared by Denzel Sykes. Mr. Tooley noted a property on Cedar Street which has been a nuisance will be demolished in early 2016. Mr. Tooley stated Code Enforcement has been very active and is doing a good job.

Mr. Bryant stated the home on Martin Luther King is owned by the Dickerson family and he has been in contact with members of the family regarding the property.

7. **Action Item: DEV2015-035, Villages at Halifax II Site Plan Modification**

Mr. Berger presented the staff report which is included as part of the packet. Mr. Berger stated the site plan has been approved by the Midtown Redevelopment Board. Mr. Berger stated the applicant has acquired additional property in order to construct a fourth building. Mr. Berger stated the right of way along Caroline has not yet been vacated and the item is scheduled for the January 6, 2016, City Commission meeting for action.

**Applicant's Presentation:**

Mark Dowst, Project Engineer, spoke representing the applicant, Daytona Beach Housing Authority. Mr. Dowst stated vacating the right of way will allow for more open space on the property and will allow for a looped road within the development. Mr. Dowst stated he believes the funding is in place to complete the construction of the buildings.

**Board Action:**

A motion was made by Ms. Ford, seconded by Mr. Ross, to approve DEV2015-035, Villages at Halifax II Site Plan Modification, subject to the vacation of right of way along Caroline, as presented in the staff report. The motion carried unanimously (5-0).

8. **Redevelopment Project Updates**

Mr. Bryant stated the Light Up Midtown events will be held this Saturday. He stated the health fair will be held on Saturday morning, and Halifax Hospital, Florida Hospital and Florida Health Care are supporting the program. Mr. Bryant stated Jingle Bell Rock will be held in Daisy Stocking Park on Saturday, December 12.

Mr. Bryant stated a senior prom will be held on December 18 and VITAS is a major sponsor of the event.

Mr. Miller arrived for the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

9. **Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

10. **Board Comments**

Mr. Ross stated he is pleased to see the new projects in Midtown, particularly the new Toyota building at International Speedway Blvd. and Nova.

Mr. Miller stated he is pleased to see the new projects in Midtown, including the Toyota building. Mr. Miller stated at the last City Commission meeting, he was appointed to serve on the Parks and Leisure Services Board.

Mr. Fuqua stated he is pleased to see the new projects in Midtown and noted they will add to the value of the properties in Midtown. Mr. Fuqua asked if covered bus benches could be placed along Orange Avenue so citizens can be protected from the sun and rain.

Mr. Berger stated Votran would have to arrange for bus shelters.

Mr. Fuqua thanked Mr. Bryant for all the work he does in Midtown. Mr. Fuqua stated he would like to see an area-wide clean up held in Midtown to help clean up the area.

Ms. Ford stated she is pleased to see the improvements in Midtown. She thanked Mr. Bryant for all of the work he does in supporting the Midtown Board and the community.

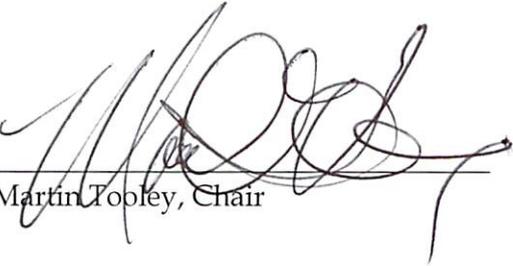
Mr. Tooley thanked Mr. Bryant for all of the work he does in the Midtown community. Mr. Tooley stated he was pleased to see the boat parade and stated he would like to see events such as the parade advertised so more people are aware of events held in the city.

Mr. Tooley thanked staff and the Board members for their support.

Mr. Bryant asked that Board members keep a member of the City staff, Marsha McDonald, in their thoughts and prayers.

11. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.



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Martin Tooley, Chair



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Becky Groom, Board Secretary