

**MIDTOWN REDEVELOPMENT BOARD
MINUTES OF THE
REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, December 8, 2020**

The regular meeting of the Midtown Redevelopment Board was held Tuesday, December 8, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers, Daytona Beach City Hall, 301 S. Ridgewood Avenue, Daytona Beach, Florida. The following people were present:

Board Members Present

Mr. Shawn Collins, Chair
Ms. Terica Charles
Mr. Byron Cogdell
Ms. Tangelia Hardy
Mr. Pierre Louis
Ms. Renee Richardson
Mr. Milverton Robinson (Planning Board appointee)
Ms. Valencia Stubbs

Staff Members Present

Mr. Reed Berger, Redevelopment Director
Mr. Anthony Jackson, Assistant City Attorney
Deputy Chief Scott Goss, Daytona Beach Police Department
Ms. Becky Groom, Board Secretary

1. Call to Order

Mr. Collins 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. Cogdell gave the invocation.

4. Pledge of Allegiance

5. Public Comments by Persons Addressing the Board

A summary of procedures for addressing the Board was included as part of the agenda.

Mr. Collins stated he would like to hear Public Comments at this time since he was aware that one of the speakers had to leave.

Public Comments

Tarneisha Thomas stated she was in attendance on behalf of the Lead Center, which is in partnership with Career Source and the Daytona Beach Housing Authority. Ms. Thomas stated the Lead Center helps young adults between the ages of 16 and 24 in obtaining their GED, occupational/vocational training, financial training, leadership development and employment readiness skills as well as career counseling and placement assistance. Ms. Thomas stated there are also a limited number of opportunities available for paid work experience for up to 12 weeks with a local employer in the area. Ms. Thomas stated the program is new and just started in July.

Mr. Collins stated he had a Zoom call with the Daytona Beach Housing Authority to determine what programs they have available that could benefit the CRA area. Mr. Collins stated there are many programs available for the community but people are not aware of what is available. Mr. Collins stated he would like such agencies to make a presentation to the Board so the Board can serve as a conduit with the community to let people know what programs are available.

Mr. Cogdell asked how the Board members could make the community aware of the Lead program.

Ms. Thomas stated the main opportunity is through networking and she is available to attend other meetings to discuss the Lead Center program.

Ms. Thomas stated the Department of Children and Families is working to connect people with various agencies and the Lead Center program would be vital to DCF in assisting their clients.

Ms. Charles stated it is time for us to find something positive for the youth and young adults of the community to do and thanked Ms. Thomas for the introduction to her program.

Ms. Stubbs asked what age group does Ms. Thomas find that is needing assistance most at this time.

Ms. Thomas stated young adults from the ages of 21 to 23 but the program offers assistance to individuals from the age of 16 to 24.

Terranda Bethune, Daytona Beach Housing Authority, spoke about the neighborhood network centers which are located at 1200 Ninth Street and 450 Whitney Street. Ms. Bethune stated the neighborhood centers are pending approval to become access centers where families could complete applications for public assistance programs, such as food stamps. Ms. Bethune stated assistance is provided in helping individuals complete their certification documents so they can maintain their housing. Ms. Bethune stated the centers will be holding a Financial Aid night and will also be distributing toys as part of the Toys for Tots program. Ms. Bethune stated technology classes are offered for seniors.

Ms. Richardson asked if the network centers have a computer set up by DCF for use for people who need to connect with that agency.

Ms. Bethune stated DCF has visited with them and she is going through the process for approval.

Ms. Charles stated she would like to assist in the Toys for Tots distribution as part of her non-profit organization, One Bad Decision.

Mr. Louis stated neighborhood network centers are key in training youth and are important for children.

Ms. Bethune stated she will provide her newsletter to the Board members which will keep them informed of upcoming programs.

Mr. Collins asked that Ms. Bethune publish the dates for the Midtown Redevelopment Board meetings in the newsletters.

Donna Banks, Midtown Community Development Corporation, stated on Wednesday, December 9 from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. there will be a SUDS program at the Keech Street site in Caroline Village where detergent and bleach will be given away. Ms. Banks noted those items are not permitted purchases with food stamps.

6. Approval of Minutes

November 10, 2020 Regular Board meeting

Mr. Louis stated he would like Page 4 corrected. The minutes read that Mr. Louis stated the concerns about drugs cannot be fixed by this Board. Mr. Louis stated the statement should continue that "...cannot be fixed by this Board because it is an economic issue."

Ms. Charles stated the agenda materials she received are all dated for the September meeting, not tonight's meeting.

Mr. Collins stated the agenda packets were sent to the Board members through email.

Mr. Collins stated on Page 9, there is the comment made by Mr. Collins about the City never having a black City Manager. Mr. Collins stated he wants his specific comments noted in the minutes: In 150 years since founded, 144 years incorporated, for whatever reason, this city has never found a qualified black to lead this city. It is long overdue."

Board Action:

A motion was made by Mr. Louis, seconded by Mr. Cogdell, to approve the minutes of the Regular Board meeting of November 10, 2020, as corrected. The motion carried (7-0).

Mr. Collins stated he would like an item included on the agenda "Approval of Agenda." Mr. Collins stated this would provide an opportunity for members to discuss what is planned for the agenda.

Mr. Collins stated he would also like to have Old Business and New Business listed as items on the agenda. Mr. Collins stated he had asked for a discussion to be placed on the agenda regarding a standard agenda layout. Mr. Collins stated he would like to have Item 7 as New Business, and listed under that would be planned presentations. Mr. Collins stated Item 10 would be Old Business.

Mr. Berger stated he would like to discuss the agenda format under Item 9, Proposed Amendment to Bylaws.

7. Presentations – Spotlight on Midtown

a. Mr. Jeff Sims, Sims Consulting

Jeff Sims, Sims Consulting, stated his organization offers training in fiber-optics, security training regarding electronics, cabling, and networking. Mr. Sims stated the program is 12 weeks long and the sessions are 8 hours a day. Mr. Sims stated the average wage in the area is about \$9 an hour and feels individuals going through his program would be making \$16 per hour.

Mr. Cogdell stated he has been on a call previously with Sims Consulting and is excited about the opportunity his organization may offer.

Ms. Richardson stated she is impressed and is pleased that his organization goes the extra mile by providing the trainees with breakfast, lunch, uniforms, and transportation.

Ms. Charles stated she was interviewed by Spectrum News 13 last week and she was asked what News 13 could do to help the community. Ms. Charles stated she asked that news 13 be used as a free news outlet to help get information on programs published. Ms. Charles stated she would provide Mr. Sims with the reporter's name and contact information.

Mr. Sims stated he will be working with Midtown CDC and will provide that information to Ms. Donna Banks.

Ms. Stubbs asked where the organization will be located.

Mr. Sims stated Ms. Banks will address that but he is focused on starting in the Midtown area.

Ms. Hardy asked how people will qualify for Mr. Sims' program.

Mr. Sims stated he does not qualify individuals but meets with prospective trainees to determine where they could be placed in the program.

Ms. Hardy asked if he has partnered with local agencies to do job placement.

Mr. Sims stated he has a deal on the table with another city. Mr. Sims stated he has contacted other agencies, such as Workforce Development.

Mr. Cogdell stated Mr. Sims' organization is in partnership with the Midtown CDC.

Mr. Louis stated he is pleased to see the program coming into this area. Mr. Louis encouraged Mr. Sims to talk with the Advanced Technology Center of Daytona State College. Mr. Louis encouraged Mr. Sims to talk with Cicely Thomas of TOTAL.

Ms. Charles stated she talked with Ms. Thomas and she is waiting to hear from Mr. Sims.

Mr. Collins stated he feels the Midtown CDC will be the central point for helping to provide jobs for the residents of Midtown. Mr. Collins stated Mr. Sims' program, the housing authority, and

Daytona State will all provide resources but have not been working together. Mr. Collins stated he feels Midtown CDC will be the conduit in providing information and connections between other organizations. Mr. Collins stated he feels CRA funding should be provided to the Midtown CDC. Mr. Collins stated that Mr. Sims has indicated that it will cost \$6,000 to train one student and Mr. Sims would like to provide his program to 10 students. Mr. Collins stated to train 10 students over 5 years would cost \$300,000. Mr. Collins stated recently the cost for benches on Mary McLeod Bethune was \$300,000, which the Board did not vote for. Mr. Collins stated he feels if other agencies, such as the Speedway Corporation, MPO or FDOT, are contacted they could provide funding for Mr. Sims' program.

Mr. Louis asked if Midtown money could be used for funding 10 students.

Mr. Collins stated he plans to come back to the Board at the January, 2021 meeting with a request for funding.

Mr. Collins stated he met with the Director of the MPO who advised Mr. Collins that she has been wanting to make a presentation to the Midtown Board and would like to partner with the Midtown Board. Mr. Collins stated MPO funds are typically used for road projects and bike trails but training dollars are available. Mr. Collins stated he also met with the Vice President of Daytona State and Daytona State is also looking for opportunities to connect with the Midtown community.

Mr. Cogdell stated for the record he is a Board member of the Midtown Community Development Corporation.

Mr. Collins asked Mr. Jackson, Assistant City Attorney, if the Board is prohibited from spending their money on something other than capital.

Mr. Jackson stated he is attending tonight's meeting since Ben Gross was unable to attend. Mr. Jackson stated he does not have an answer but will make sure Mr. Gross is aware of Mr. Collins' questions and Mr. Gross can provide an answer to the Board at the next meeting.

Mr. Berger stated the city has gone through an extensive audit, and it is the opinion of the State Attorney, that using CRA funds for training is not permitted; and there is nothing in the plan to provide for expenditures to do this. Mr. Berger stated authorizing funding

would require amending the plan and would have to be consistent with the State Statute; and the CRA Board would make that decision.

Ms. Charles stated she feels providing education and training opportunities is a means to help address crime prevention and asked why there isn't funding available for that.

Mr. Berger stated the CRA is set up for capital improvements and provides grants for businesses and addressing blight. Mr. Berger stated job training and providing money to organizations for training purposes cannot be done.

Mr. Robinson stated he feels the Board should research their funding availability before proceeding with a motion. Mr. Robinson stated the Board's action plan and goals should be set for next year and perhaps this request could be included as part of that plan. Mr. Robinson suggested looking at the process of having an item included in the budget to make sure the request is successful.

Ms. Stubbs stated if the request is not legal and the motion passes, it won't matter because the city will have to do what is legally permitted. Ms. Stubbs asked if the motion is for the funds to be allocated to the Midtown CDC so they can divert funds to different programs instead of just one.

Mr. Collins stated his intention is to allocate the funds to the Midtown CDC for training and the CDC could determine which program would receive the funding. Mr. Collins stated the CRA would have to approve the allocation.

Mr. Louis stated the CRA will have to approve any funding. Mr. Louis stated Page 2 of the Midtown Area Plan outlines increasing employment opportunities. Mr. Louis stated the Midtown Strategic Plan reads on Page 9 that a goal is to increase local residents' activities in Midtown. Mr. Louis states this all refers to employment opportunities.

Commissioner Quanita May, Zone 3, 115 Magnolia Avenue, Daytona Beach, Florida stated she is available to answer questions the Board may have.

Mr. Jackson stated he is concerned about Ms. May addressing the Board since she may be discussing the items presented and making decisions at a CRA meeting.

Ms. Charles asked Ms. May if there has been anything discussed at previous CRA meetings that relates to what the Board is currently discussing.

Commissioner May stated Mr. Collins has taken the time to attend CRA meetings and she attended this evening to show the Board that she respects Mr. Collins' efforts. Ms. May stated the discussion of the benches came up at the last meeting and no decision was made. Ms. May stated the item was tabled because the subject of benches had not been discussed at a City or community meeting. Ms. May stated a community meeting will be held on December 9 at the Midtown Community Center at 5:30 p.m. Ms. May stated if the Board members have concerns about the benches or funding or MMB beautification, that would be the time to ask questions.

Mr. Collins stated he asked for the Public Works Director to attend tonight's meeting to discuss projects and he was told, and he is paraphrasing, that the City Manager said you all are not important enough for my Public Works Director to come and speak to you.

Commissioner May stated she would like each Board to provide her with a list of their concerns and things they would like to see happen. Ms. May stated this Board is a conduit of information to the Midtown area. Ms. May stated in the past two years, she has seen improvements and investments in the Midtown area. Ms. May stated there may be corporations that are interested in working with the Midtown Board and that would have nothing to do with the City.

Ms. Charles stated this is the first time a Commissioner has attended a Midtown meeting since she has served on the Board. Ms. Charles asked if the CRA Board has previously had any discussions regarding funding for training or other opportunities in the Midtown Area.

Commissioner May stated a strategic planning meeting is held once a year and that is when employment and future projects are discussed.

Mr. Louis stated he appreciates Commissioner May attending and noted that Commissioner Reed did attend last month's meeting and has attended previous meetings as well. Mr. Louis stated he appreciates Commissioner May listening to concerns.

Mr. Collins asked if the bench request came from the Commission or staff.

Ms. May stated it came from staff but further stated that she and Commissioner Reed asked for a beautification plan for MMB because they had received concerns from businesses along MMB.

Mr. Collins stated he was initially told that the Public Works Director could attend the Midtown Board meeting; and then Mr. Berger stated, and Mr. Collins is paraphrasing, that the City Manager will not let anyone come to speak before this Board.

Mr. Collins also expressed concern that he has not received a City budget.

Ms. May stated that her interactions with staff have been positive but she is not permitted to communicate or ask for things from the staff. Commissioner May stated she makes her requests through the City Manager and she is not permitted to direct staff to attend meetings.

Mr. Cogdell stated he likes Commissioner May's suggestion to submit a list of the Board's requests.

Commissioner May stated she gets the sense that the Midtown Board would like to have their own funding source in order to get things done.

Mr. Collins stated it is his understanding that the Midtown and Downtown CRAs have their own budgets but we have not seen the Midtown budget.

Mr. Louis stated he has the City budget and the Midtown funds are listed. Mr. Louis stated the budget is on the City's website.

Mr. Collins stated the Midtown Board does not provide any input into the budget, noting the City Manager sets the budget before it goes to the City Commission. Mr. Collins stated the only person that sees the budget besides the City Commission is the City Manager. Mr. Collins stated he is going to continue to push to have a presentation made to the City Commission at their meeting and he will provide a list of things the Board would like accomplished.

Ms. May stated that is a fantastic idea.

Ms. Hardy expressed concerns that there are no holiday decorations along Martin Luther King Blvd. but there are decorations going up in other parts of the city.

Commissioner May stated she is happy to put forward a request and find out about the decorations and provide an answer.

Ms. Richardson asked if Commissioner May is the commissioner for the Martin Luther King Blvd. area.

Commissioner May stated Commissioner Reed serves that area.

Mr. Robinson stated when he was first appointed to this Board, he was disappointed to learn that the Board has no power. Mr. Robinson stated the Board wants to be active and the City Manager is not aware of the changes in the Board's focus. Mr. Robinson stated the Board wants to be active and wants to set goals.

Commissioner May stated the Board is a conduit to her and she can lobby with the CRA for funding.

Mr. Collins stated he is concerned that he is only allowed to speak for two minutes at the CRA meeting.

Commissioner May stated there is an opportunity for the public to speak at the end of the CRA meeting prior to the Commission meeting. Commissioner May stated she welcomes a continuous report from the Midtown Board at the CRA meetings and she is happy to make that request.

Mr. Louis stated the agenda has been changed for the CRA and there is no public comments at the CRA meeting. Mr. Louis stated public comments are only made at the Commission meetings.

Commissioner May stated she would be willing to ask for a report from the Midtown Board at the CRA meetings.

Ms. Charles stated the Board would like to have more power. Ms. Charles stated most members feel the Board meets for the sake of meeting and after the Board meets, nothing happens. Ms. Charles stated the Board feels that they are bypassed and items are sent to the City Commission without the Midtown Board reviewing them. Ms. Charles asked if any changes are to be made regarding the Board's responsibilities, should those be presented to the CRA, the Commission, or wait until the new City Manager is hired and present the Board's request to that person.

Commissioner May stated that is a strategy decision that the Board will have to take.

Mr. Jackson stated these are items the Board may discuss but are only being heard by one member of the CRA and should be presented to the entire CRA.

Commissioner May stated she will make a request at the December 16, 2020 meeting that the Midtown Board make a presentation at one of the meetings in January.

Ms. Stubbs asked about the motion regarding allocating funds and asked if funding could be allocated from other funding sources.

Mr. Berger stated the City Commission has the power to allocate funds.

Mr. Collins stated he foresees the CDC receiving the funds and they can partner with other organizations to provide training programs.

Donna Banks, Midtown CDC, stated the CDC would partner with Career Source and there are many other programs they could partner with. Ms. Banks stated there are enough programs in place to make training opportunities available for the next five years.

Mr. Cogdell stated he will not be voting since he serves as a Board member of the CDC. Mr. Cogdell stated the Chair has had direct communications with the CDC and he has not been involved with those communications.

Ms. Banks stated negotiations are in place with the Allen Chapel AME to hold the classes there. Ms. Banks asked that Mr. Berger look at the Safe Neighborhood Act, Statute 163.357, for development of employment and apprenticeship programs.

Board Action:

A motion was made by Ms. Charles, seconded by Mr. Louis, to provide \$60,000 per year of City funding to the Midtown CRA to increase employment opportunities and training for citizens within Midtown over 5 years for a total of \$300,000. The motion carried (6-0; Mr. Cogdell abstained).

- b. Nancy P. Keefer, CCE, President & CEO of the Daytona Regional Chamber of Commerce

Nancy Keefer and Carmen Ruiz spoke via zoom regarding the Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Program. Ms. Keefer thanked Commissioner May for the support of the program.

Ms. Ruiz stated the objective of the program is to provide mentorship to minority businesses. Ms. Ruiz outlined scholarship opportunities that are available for minority businesses in the community. Ms. Ruiz stated the Chamber has partnered with the Small Business Development Center at Daytona State College that will provide one-on-one marketing assistance. Ms. Ruiz stated this will help the business to better operate.

Ms. Charles asked if non-profits will be included in this program.

Ms. Keefer said yes.

Mr. Collins asked how the program will be promoted.

Ms. Ruiz stated it will be promoted through social media and the information is on the Chamber website.

Commissioner May stated she met with Mr. Ruiz. Ms. May stated Chester Olson and Leslie Gisgum also attended the meeting.

Ms. Keefer stated that she made a presentation to the Chamber regarding this program and Mr. Berger encouraged her to make a presentation to the Midtown Redevelopment Board.

8. Staff Reports

Police Department

Deputy Chief Scott Goss stated there has been a series of tragic incidents, two of which were in Midtown. Deputy Chief Goss stated a community meeting was held where residents were able to discuss the incidents with the Police Chief. Deputy Chief Goss stated there has been no further activity in the area in the last few days. Deputy Chief Goss stated the Police Department has been working with Stewart-Marchman to help talk with citizens about conflict resolution.

Mr. Louis stated mentoring among the youth in the community is key in resolving conflict.

Mr. Robinson stated until the community does something about the violence, it will continue.

Ms. Charles stated we have to hold people accountable for what they do. Ms. Charles stated she started her non-profit, One Bad Decision, after the death of her son. Ms. Charles thanked Deputy Chief Goss for the increased police presence in the community and is pleased that the Police are well acquainted with our community.

Mr. Cogdell stated residents of Midtown should be more involved in the Citizen Patrol. Mr. Cogdell stated there are also opportunities for pastors to participate in the Chaplain program.

Deputy Chief Goss stated citizen Patrol is a volunteer program and noted the volunteers will drive areas where they feel comfortable driving. Deputy Chief Goss stated the program is promoted throughout the city but few applications are received.

Mr. Collins stated at last month's meeting, Ms. Hawkins complained about loitering in front of her property. Mr. Collins stated he has talked with her and that has been addressed.

Deputy Chief Goss stated the Department will keep a presence in the community.

Code Enforcement

There was no report from Code Enforcement.

9. Proposed Amendment to Bylaws

Mr. Berger presented the staff report which was included as part of the packet. Mr. Berger stated Deputy City Attorney Ben Gross prepared the documents and is not in attendance this evening. The Board agreed to delay action on the amendments until the next meeting.

Mr. Louis stated in Section 5 on Page 3, Secretary should be capitalized.

Mr. Louis stated in Section 2, the time limits are discussed and asked if that should be clarified at 2.5 minutes.

Mr. Louis stated in Section 5, it reads the Co-Chair would be the presiding officer if the Chair is not in attendance. Mr. Louis stated he feels it should just say the presiding officer. Mr. Louis stated the same should apply in Article 7 on Section 2 and Page 5, Section 3.

Mr. Louis asked if there should be something addressed in the document about email communications between Board members.

Mr. Jackson stated the Board members should not be emailing each other and he will let Mr. Gross address that.

Mr. Collins stated he did not have any changes.

Mr. Robinson stated the Board had discussed that only the Chair could cancel a meeting and that is not reflected in Article 5, Page 2.

Ms. Charles stated the Board discussed raising the minimum amount of time from 24 hours to either 48 or 72 hours for calling a meeting and asked if that was finalized.

Ms. Stubbs stated that discussion was for a special meeting.

Mr. Collins stated that should be clarified.

Mr. Robinson asked if a special meeting is called and a member does not attend, does that count as one of the three meetings that a member is allowed to miss during the calendar year.

Mr. Collins asked where it is stated that a member is only permitted to miss 3 meetings.

Ms. Charles stated Article 3, Section 5 addresses missing 3 regular meetings.

Ms. Stubbs stated she thought the bylaws discussion was going to be held at a workshop.

Mr. Berger stated he does not recall that but that could be arranged.

Mr. Collins stated he likes the proposed agenda with the Old Business listed first. Mr. Collins stated Approval of the Agenda should be placed before the Approval of the Minutes. Mr. Collins stated the New Business item should include presentations by businesses.

Mr. Berger stated he feels the Police presentation should be closer to the beginning of the agenda.

Mr. Collins stated he doesn't have a problem listing the Police report first.

Mr. Cogdell stated sometimes items are discussed during the public comments that could be addressed by the Police Department so she feels Public Comments should be made prior to the Police presentation.

Ms. Charles stated perhaps public comments should be moved to the front of the agenda.

Mr. Collins stated the Board will know at the beginning of the meeting if there are issues that will be discussed that require input from the Police Department so the agenda could be rearranged if there are Police issues.

Ms. Stubbs stated the time of Deputy Chief Goss is valuable and if his presentation could be moved up on the agenda, that would be great.

10. Discussion Items

a. City Commission Presentation Strategies

Mr. Collins stated Commissioner May stated she will make a recommendation at the next City Commission meeting for Midtown Board representatives to be on the agenda. Mr. Collins stated Mr. Louis will be doing the bulk of the presentation. Mr. Collins stated he and Mr. Louis will need to talk to prepare for the presentation and asked how that could be done without a Sunshine violation.

Mr. Jackson stated he does not know how that could be done.

Mr. Berger stated the Board can call a committee and then a meeting could be held for the two members to discuss what will be presented.

Mr. Jackson stated the meeting would have to be noticed, held in a public place, and minutes taken.

Mr. Berger stated there are meeting rooms available that meet the ADA requirements.

Mr. Collins stated he would need a motion to appoint a committee to make the presentation.

Board Action:

A motion was made by Ms. Charles, seconded by Mr. Cogdell, to appoint a committee with a minimum of three members, including Ms. Hardy, Mr. Collins, and Mr. Louis, to discuss the CRA and City Commission presentation strategy. The motion carried (7-0).

11. Project Updates

- a. Redevelopment
- b. Public Works

There were no reports provided on these items.

12. Public Comments

John Nicholson, 413 N. Grandview, Daytona Beach, Florida stated only one board gets a budget and that is the Downtown Development Authority since they allocate tax funds. Mr. Nicholson stated the City Manager removed all responsibilities from the CRA Boards and the Boards should get together and ask for more responsibility. Mr. Nicholson stated the \$300,000 that the Board requested this evening will not be authorized because it is not in the budget.

Anne Ruby, 137 Park Avenue, Daytona Beach, Florida stated the City Manager works for the City Commission; and if you don't like what the City Manager is doing, it is the City Commission's responsibility to change that. Ms. Ruby provided a brochure she prepared regarding the Black Heritage Trail. Ms. Ruby stated she would like to have oral histories at each site to explain the historic significance of each site. Ms. Ruby stated she would like to add the boundaries for Newton, Midway, and Waycross. Ms. Ruby stated she would like to see a "Walk the Trail" event in February.

Mr. Collins stated he has been asking about a GIS layer on maps and that would identify each site and provide information on the site.

Mr. Louis stated he took photos of the sites when he walked the trail and posted them on a website.

Ms. Charles stated Bonner Elementary is listed on the flyer; and she is not sure how many people are aware that Turrie T. Small was Ms. Bonner's sister. Ms. Charles stated she believes Turrie T. Small Elementary should also be a part of the Black Heritage Trail. Ms. Charles stated she would like to see Daytona Beach do something to recognize Norma Blaine who recently passed away.

13. Board Comments

Ms. Charles stated Turrie T. Small Elementary is still in its original building and they do not have an intercom system in the classrooms. Ms. Charles stated they are currently using borrowed radios to communicate within the classrooms. Ms. Charles stated the school needs \$944 to purchase radios and batteries for use at the school. Ms. Charles asked the Board to reach out to Nascar or any other resources in the community that could help provide the radios.

Mr. Cogdell stated the Midtown CDC is having an event on December 9, 2020 to give away detergent and bleach to those in need. Mr. Cogdell stated Identity Church will be taking free family photos for anyone living on Keech Street on Saturday, December 12, 2020.

Mr. Collins asked about his request to receive a CRA budget.

Mr. Berger stated at this time, he does not have the direction to provide that to Mr. Collins.

Mr. Collins asked Mr. Berger if the 3D model will be provided.

Mr. Berger said no.

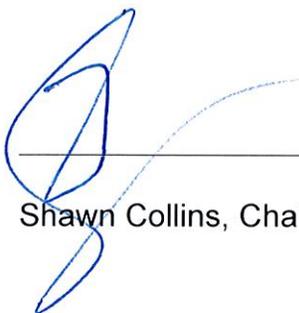
Mr. Collins asked if the GIS layered mapping will be provided.

Mr. Berger said no.

Mr. Collins stated at the last meeting he expressed his desire to have a black City Manager. Mr. Collins provided to the Board the statistics regarding the breakdown of employment in governmental agencies. Mr. Collins stated it has been 150 years since the city was founded and has been incorporated for 144 years and in all that time we can't find a qualified black to lead this city. Mr. Collins stated that is not by accident, that is by design.

14. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.



Shawn Collins, Chair



Becky Groom, Board Secretary