

The Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) of the City of Titusville, Florida met in regular session in the Council Chamber of City Hall, 555 South Washington Avenue, on Tuesday, July 8, 2025.

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Call to Order/Determination of a Quorum

Chairperson Connors called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Present were Chairperson Andrew Connors, Vice-Chairperson Herman Cole, Jr. Col USAF Retired, and Members Megan Moscoso, Jo Lynn Nelson, Dr. Sarah Stoeckel, Greg Aker and Jim Ball, Interim Executive Director Tom Abbate, Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Attorney Jim Stokes, and Sr. Administrative Assistant Emily Campbell were also present. Sr. Administrative Assistant Emily Campbell completed the minutes of the meeting.

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Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance

Chairperson Connors asked for a moment of silence and then led the entire assembly in the *Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag*. Sr. Administrative Assistant Emily Campbell read the procedure for public comment.

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Approval of Minutes

The request was to approve the minutes of the regular Community Redevelopment Agency meeting on June 10, 2025.

Motion: Member Nelson moved to approve the minutes of the Community Redevelopment Agency meeting on June 10, 2025, as submitted. Member Ball seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

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Special Recognitions and Presentations – None.

Old Business

Spaceview Park - Gemini Handprint Monuments – Renovations - Interim Executive Director Abbate advised the request was to recommend approval of Option 1 to the City Council for the Spaceview Park Gemini Handprint Monuments Renovations.

At the May 13, 2025 CRA meeting, the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Board approved the allocation of \$98,527—remaining funds from FY2024—for repairs and maintenance along the Space View/Gemini Park walkway. This included monument restoration, lighting, and irrigation work. CRA staff, in collaboration with Code Enforcement and Public Works, recommend Option 1, prioritizing safety and preservation of handprint monuments. Landscaping and irrigation would be added when more funds were available and/or if the estimates came in under budget. The CRA Board requested detailed plans for review and approval before work begins. Option 2, if selected, would result in an estimated \$100 monthly irrigation charge, paid from CRA account 104-5555-515.46-01 project CR2502, titled Landscape Improvements.

Redevelopment Planner Sue Williams reviewed the two options.

Member Stoeckel stated that she was in support of option 1 and then add the landscaping later when the funds were available.

Member Moscoso stated that she was in support of option 2 and she stated that landscaping and curb appeal was important.

Member Aker stated that he was in support of option 1 and add the landscaping later.

Member Ball stated that he agreed with the staff's analysis and believed that additional lighting was a higher priority than landscaping at this time.

Member Moscoso discussed the maintenance of Spaceview Park and ensuring that Brevard County Parks and Recreation continued to maintain the park once the improvements were complete.

Lisa Mosier stated that she was in support of option 2. She stated that staff could add in more lighting when more funds became available.

Toni Shifalo stated that she was in support of option 2 because it included the landscaping and the maintenance of the park. Ms. Shifalo stated that more lighting could be added when the funds became available.

Member Stoeckel asked for more information on why staff recommended option 1.

Redevelopment Planner Sue Williams stated that staff expressed a safety concern regarding option 2, noting that the proposed use of only four lights could result in dark spots, potentially compromising visibility and safety.

Member Ball stated that he was in support of including the lighting and landscaping for the project. He asked if there were any unexpended or carryover funds from the current budget that could be included in a budget amendment for this project.

Redevelopment Planner Sue Williams advised that there were funds available in the Spaceview Pier line item.

Member Ball suggested a budget amendment to transfer \$27,000 for the additional lighting and \$1,200 for recurring irrigation fee for the entire scope of the project to be funded.

Redevelopment Planner Sue Williams advised that if the Community Redevelopment Agency was in support of completing the whole project at once, the cost would be \$125,000.

Motion: Member Nelson moved to recommend approval for the complete project, by including a budget amendment to come back to the Community Redevelopment Agency for the Spaceview Park Gemini Handprint Monuments Renovations. Vice-Chair seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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New Business – None.

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Petitions and Request from the Public Present

Toni Shifalo stated that the Preservation on Main Street 2025 conference was at Fernandina Beach on Jul 14, 2025. Ms. Shifalo and staff members from the City would be attending the conference.

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Executive Directors Report

Interim Executive Director Abbate submitted his written report and advised that all items were informational only.

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Chairperson Connors advised that he was meeting with District Secretary Tyler from Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) District five to discuss the speed of traffic on US Highway 1 in Downtown Titusville.

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With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 5:51 p.m.