

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, November 11, 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, Executive Director Tom Abbate, Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Attorney Andriene Treasure, 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 September 9, 2025.

Motion: Member Nelson moved to approve the minutes of the Community Redevelopment Agency meeting on September 9, 2025, as submitted. Vice-Chairperson Cole seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

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**Special Recognitions and Presentations** – None.

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## **Old Business**

Downtown Directory Maps — Annual Business Updates – Executive Director Abbate advised this was an information item only. No action was requested.

Redevelopment Planner Sue Williams advised that CRA staff has completed the annual update of the Downtown Directory Maps for the kiosks. As part of this process, staff compiled a current list of new active businesses by reviewing Business Tax Receipts (BTRs) issued between September 2024 and September 2025. Staff also conducted an in-person survey of the downtown area to verify active and closed businesses.

Updated listings were coordinated with a professional designer for map revisions, printed for installation, and shared with partners such as the Chamber of Commerce, Titusville Welcome Center, and the Historical Museum ensuring broader community distribution.

Redevelopment Planner Sue Williams stated there were forty (40) open businesses and she knew of four (4) closed businesses in the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA). She stated that the vacant properties were available on the website.

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FDOT Safety Enhancements - Downtown Titusville - Executive Director Abbate advised this was an information item only. No action was requested.

Redevelopment Planner Sue Williams advised that the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) provided updated information regarding the planned resurfacing project along U.S. 1 within the downtown Titusville area (Project No. 454217-1). The resurfacing was currently scheduled for Fiscal Year (FY) 2029.

As the project scoping was being finalized, Mayor Andrew Connors contacted Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Secretary Tyler to discuss concerns specific to the downtown section. These concerns echoed previous feedback shared by the CRA Board and staff regarding pedestrian safety, traffic calming, and the overall streetscape experience within the CRA district.

In response, FDOT District Five staff, including Celine Bound and Amy Beckmann, have been coordinating with FDOT's Scoping and Traffic Operations offices to identify potential opportunities for interim safety improvements prior to the full resurfacing project.

FDOT provided an updated conceptual design of both the northbound and southbound sections of U.S. 1 through downtown Titusville. The concept included several interim enhancements designed to improve pedestrian visibility, driver awareness, and corridor safety in alignment with the City's and CRA's redevelopment goals.

Proposed interim improvements include:

- Installation of Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacons (RRFBs) at all midblock pedestrian crossings.
- Installation of Speed Radar Feedback Signs along both travel directions.
- Application of “Pedestrian Crossing Ahead” pavement markings in each lane approaching midblock crossings.
- Installation of speed limit pavement marking shields (30 mph) in each lane to reinforce the downtown speed zone.

These enhancements were intended to improve pedestrian safety, enhance driver awareness, and visually reinforce the character of downtown Titusville as a pedestrian-oriented district consistent with the CRA Plan and the City’s adopted Complete Streets and Vision Zero principles.

Redevelopment Planner Sue Williams stated that the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) was requesting a formal recommendation from the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) board to the City Council to approve the new FDOT safety enhancement concept provided.

Motion: Member Nelson moved to recommend approval to City Council for the new Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT) Safety Enhancement Concept, as provided in the agenda packet. Vice-Chairperson Cole seconded the motion.

Due to the CRA taking formal action, citizens were allowed to speak.

Stan Johnston stated that it was nice to hear there was no additional cost to the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA). Mr. Johnston also discussed the \$365 million dollars it would cost for repaving in fiscal year 2029, etc.

Chairperson Connors stated that the FDOT Safety Enhancements were being paid for by the Florida Department of Transportation (FDOT).

The motion carried unanimously.

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## **New Business**

Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Goals, Objectives and Performance Measures for Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 – Executive Director Abbate advised the request was to approve the CRA Goals, Objectives and Performance Measures for FY 2026.

HB 7013, which passed on April 26, 2024, makes several important changes to the laws governing special districts, including Community Redevelopment Agencies (CRAs). The bill revises Florida Statue 189.0694 with the following key requirements:

1. All special districts must establish goals and objectives for each program and activity they undertake by October 1, 2024.
2. Special districts are required to create performance measures and standards to determine if their goals and objectives are being achieved.
3. An annual report must be published by December 1 each year, which must include:
  - A description of the goals and objectives achieved
  - The performance measures and standards used to make this determination
  - A list of any goals or objectives that were not achieved

These new requirements were aimed at increasing accountability and transparency for special districts by ensuring they have clear objectives and are regularly assessing their performance. The annual reporting requirement would provide stakeholders with insights into the effectiveness of special district programs and activities.

Redevelopment Planner Sue Williams provided a presentation that highlighted as follows:

- Community Redevelopment Agency 2026 Performance Measures
- Goals & Objectives Analysis per Florida Statute 189.062
- City of Titusville CRA strategic Plan
- Goals & Objectives
- Florida Statute 189.0694
- FY 2026 Budget Summary
- Operating and Capital Initiatives
- CRA Projects FY26 Budget
- CRA FY26 Budget Initiatives – Performance Standards & Measures

Member Stoeckel stated that she was in support of the goals, objectives and performance measures for Fiscal Year (FY) 2026. She stated that in the future she would like to include the tracking of new businesses and vacancies. Member Stoeckel stated that although it was hard to track, she would like to try and track how many people were frequenting downtown Titusville.

Chairperson Connors stated that they could estimate many people were frequenting downtown Titusville by the amount of people that visited the Welcome Center.

Stan Johnston stated that he was in support of this item and spending money on safety. Mr. Johnston stated that the fountains at Sand Point Park were shut off and he was also in support of that decision.

Motion: Member Nelson moved to approve the Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Goals, Objectives and Performance Measures for Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 and if possible, requested that the staff track the number of open and closed businesses and the number of people visiting the CRA through the Visitors Center. Vice-Chair Cole seconded the motion.

The motion carried unanimously.

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### **Petitions and Request from the Public Present**

Stan Johnston discussed four different ways to make decisions. The four different ways he discussed were: majority vote, always agreeing with figures of authority, the man of the house was the master of the house and the man was the master of the house if he listened to his wife. Mr. Johnston stated that he wanted the board to consider these when making decisions.

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### **Executive Directors Report**

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

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With no further business to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 5:54 p.m.