



**CITY OF PUNTA GORDA, FLORIDA
COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING - JANUARY 4, 2012**

MEMBERS PRESENT: Albers, Goldberg, Wallace, Freeland, Sturges, Keesling, Weikel

CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT: Executive Director Kunik, CRA Attorney Levin, Recording Secretary Foster

Chairman Albers called the meeting to order at 9:13 a.m.

Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting of December 7, 2011

Commissioner Weikel **MOVED** approval, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Wallace.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

CRA Project Status Report

Executive Director Kunik displayed a PowerPoint presentation, as delineated in the agenda material, while providing an update on the Laishley Park Marina and uplands project.

CRA Attorney Levin mentioned discussions with the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) regarding improvement of the water quality in the marina basin, explaining staff was preparing conceptual drawings regarding capturing stormwater runoff in the parking and boat ramp area so as to reduce oil and gasoline from entering the waters of the marina. He voiced confidence the DEP would approve of same. He advised use of the pump-out boat had been approved with regard to allowing live-aboards.

Executive Director Kunik continued his review of the east mooring field, Best Western Harborwalk, downtown flooding improvements, Harborwalk west, Linear Park, Mary Street on-street parking, Wood Street lighting and Herald Court Centre projects. He concluded his presentation with photos of the various projects.

Approval of a Lease Agreement between the Community Redevelopment Agency and the City of Punta Gorda, Florida for the purpose of providing access to the Peace River and public marina.

CRA Attorney Levin explained the City must own or have under lease the uplands adjacent to the submerged lands area of the municipal marina in order to accommodate the submerged lands lease with the State. He stated the prior lease expired on November 5, 2011, thus the proposed lease was retroactive to November 6, 2011.

Commissioner Wallace **MOVED** approval, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Freeland.

MOTION UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Wallace commented favorably on the small boat launch in Gilchrist Park.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:21 a.m.

Chairman

Recording Secretary