

**CLEARWATER DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT BOARD SPECIAL BUDGET
HEARING**

September 3, 2025 – 5:15 PM – City Council Chambers

Board Members Present: Chair Bruce Rector, Vice Chair Lina Teixeira, Member David Allbritton, Member Mike Mannino, Member Ryan Cotton, Member Jen Fraizer, Member Mikhal Khodortsov

Also present: Jesus Nino, CRA Executive Director, Brian Ulbricht, CRA Specialist, David Margolis, Attorney, Jennifer Poirrier, City Manager

1. **Call to Order.** Chair Rector called meeting to order at 5:15 pm.

2. **New Business Items.**

2.1 ID#25-0799 Set a final millage rate of 0.9700 mills for fiscal year 2025/26 within the Downtown Development Board boundaries and adopt Resolution 25-02.

CRA Executive Director Jesus Nino presented the request for approval to set a millage rate of 0.9700 mills for fiscal year 2025/26 within the DDB boundaries and adopt Resolution 25-02.

City Attorney David Margolis reads Resolution 25-02 regarding the requested millage rate for fiscal year 2025/26.

Vice Chair Teixeira motioned to approve the requested millage rate for fiscal year 2025/26.

The motion was duly seconded and upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: Vice Chair Teixeira, Member Allbritton, Member Cotton, Member Mannino, Member Fraizer, Member Khodortsov.

2.2 ID#25-0800 Approve the Downtown Development Board Annual Operating Budget for fiscal year 2025-2026 and adopt Resolution 25-03

CRA Executive Director Jesus Nino presented the requesting for approval of the Downtown Development Board Annual Operating Budget for fiscal year 205-2026 and adopt Resolution 25-03.

City Attorney David Margolis reads Resolution 25-03 regarding the approval of the Downtown Development Board Annual Operating Budget for fiscal year 2025-2026.

Member Allbritton motioned to approve the Downtown Development Board Annual Operating Budget in the amount of \$1,229,781.

The motion was duly seconded and upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: Vice Chair Teixeira, Member Allbritton, Member Cotton, Member Mannino, Member Fraizer, Member Khodortsov.

2.3 ID#25-0824 Approve the Downtown Development Board (DDB) Outdoor Café Grant Program, providing reimbursement grants of up to \$8,000 per business for qualifying outdoor furniture and umbrellas, with program funding not to exceed \$50,000, and authorize the appropriate officials to execute the same.

CRA Specialist Brian Ulbricht presented the Downtown Development Board (DDB) Outdoor Café Grant Program for approval.

Scott Sousa of Clear Sky Restaurant provided public comments in support of the Downtown Development Board (DDB) Outdoor Café Grant Program.

Member Mannino motioned to approve the Downtown Development Board (DDB) Outdoor Café Grant Program.

The motion was duly seconded and upon roll call, the vote was:

Ayes: Vice Chair Teixeira, Member Allbritton, Member Cotton, Member Mannino, Member Fraizer, Member Khodortsov.

3. **Adjourn.** The meeting was adjourned at 5:21 pm.

Chair
Downtown Development Board

Anne Lopez
CRA Assistant Director