## CLEARWATER DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT BOARD MEETING November 4, 2024 – 1:00 PM – City Council Chambers

1. **Call to Order.** Mayor Rector called meeting to order.

## 2. Approval of Minutes.

Member Cotton motioned to approve the minutes.

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

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

3. Citizens to be Heard Regarding Items Not on the Agenda. NA

## 4. New Business

4.1 ID#24-1171 Approve an amendment to the Grant Funding Agreement with Veterans Alliance Clearwater, Corp, for Veterans Day Event, to eliminate the parade and reduce the funding by \$15,000 and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. CRA Executive Director Jesus Nino presented the amendment to the grant agreement with the Veterans Alliance Clearwater, Corp, for Veteran's Day Event.

Member Teixeira motioned to approve the amendment to the Grant Funding Agreement with Veterans Alliance Clearwater, Corp, for Veterans Day Event, to eliminate the parade and reduce the funding by \$15,000 and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same.

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

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

**4.2 ID#24-1315 Approve the September 2024 Financial Statement for filing.** CRA Executive Director Jesus Nino presented the September 2024 Financial Statement for filing.

Member Allbritton motioned to approve the September 2024 Financial Statement for filing.

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

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

**4.3 ID#24-1332** Approve a second amendment to the Grant Funding Agreement for Florida Best Promotions for Salsa at the District: Oktoberfest and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. CRA Executive Director Jesus Nino presented the second amendment to the Grant Funding Agreement for Florida Best Promotions for Salsa at the District: Oktoberfest.

Mayor Rector asked if there were additional changes to the event other than the date. CRA Executive Director stated appropriate parties were present to answer any additional questions.

Member Mannino motioned to approve the second amendment to the Grant Funding Agreement for Florida Best Promotions for Salsa at the District: Oktoberfest.

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

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

**4.4 ID#24-1335** Approve an outdoor seasonal lighting display on the 400 and 500 blocks of Cleveland Street in an amount not to exceed \$16,650 and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. CRA Manger Eric Santiago presented the outdoor seasonal lighting display on the 400 and 500 blocks of Cleveland Street in an amount not to exceed \$16,650.

Conversion ensued regarding the outdoor seasonal lighting display.

Member Cotton motioned to approve the outdoor seasonal lighting display on the 400 and 500 blocks of Cleveland Street in an amount not to exceed \$16,650.

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

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

**4.5 ID#24-1336** Approve the holiday season decoration provided by Holiday Outdoor Décor in an amount not to exceed \$6,954 and authorize the appropriate officials to execute same. CRA Manger Eric Santiago presented the holiday season decoration provided by Holiday Outdoor Décor in an amount not to exceed \$6,954.

Citizen Daniel Holuba commented on the spending towards Christmas lights, the increase city fees, and the arches on Drew Street.

Citizen Tony Tello commented on the ongoing efforts and events within the city's taxing development district.

Member Teixeira motioned to approve the holiday season decoration provided by Holiday Outdoor Décor in an amount not to exceed \$6,954.

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

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

- **5. Chair's Report.** Mayor Rector commented on learning a lot from the hurricanes and the FEMA process. He is able to see firsthand the devastation within Clearwater as sitting mayor. Commented on the support and the impact this has had within the community.
- **6. Board Members to be Heard.** Member Teixeira commented on the revenue and how funds are allocated.
- 7. Adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 1:16 pm.

Chair

Downtown Development Board

Anne Lopez

**CRA Assistant Director**