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Subject: Crum property, Cardno work order for expanded GPR - ques from WS

Here are the questions as we understood them (in bold) from Monday's work session and responses on the above item.

- Why was the cemetery closed? Only record of the cemetery being closed that Cardno found is the 1940 resolution establishing the North Greenwood Cemetery as the new cemetery (see attached). The resolution is also the document that stated the cemetery currently being used "is inadequate." The resolution does not actually identify St Matthews Cemetery as the current cemetery.
- 2. Who was responsible and who paid for grave relocation in the 40's? Cardno stated in all the resources reviewed, they found no records of grave relocation. The only indication that there may have been grave relocation are 10 or 11 gravestones of people now buried at Parklawn Cemetery in Dunedin match names of those originally buried at St Matthews.
- Who paid and how much for initial USF effort on Crum site? According to Cardno, the first GPR survey completed by USF was paid for 50/50 between Crum and the NAACP. We are not aware of the cost.
- 4. Are there organizations that can help the city with displaced cemeteries? Governor signed into law a bill (HB 37) that will create a task force that will study abandoned cemeteries and recommend strategies for their management. <u>https://floridapolitics.com/archives/434109-abandoned-cemetery-task-force-bill-clears-governors-desk/</u>
- 5. Timeline of property ownership, see below:

Timeline for Crum Property:

1902 - The land was purchased by the St Matthew's Baptist Church

1909 to 1940 - property operated as a cemetery

1940 - City Commission established a new cemetery at N Greenwood and burials eventually stopped at St Matthew's

- 1955 The church sold the property to Milton D. Jones, Chester B. McMullen Jr, and T. R. Hudd
- 1957 Jones, McMullen Jr, and Hudd sold the property to Raymond Round
- 1959 Round sold the property to Sapier Investments
- 1961 Construction of Montgomery Ward's began
- 1962 Montgomery Wards store opened

1974 - City purchased property. Sometime after purchase, City staff operated out of the old Wards building, known as the City Annex

1998 - Property transferred to CRA and sold to IMR. CRA owns north parking area (see attached jpg). IMR agreement allows for their and subsequent owner's perpetual use at no charge. CRA portion is contaminated from old vehicle service station.

2004 - IMR sold the property to Crum

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