Office of Economic Development



Downtown Development Review Board (DDRB)

City Hall at St. James, 117 West Duval St. Lynwood Roberts Room

Thursday, January 10, 2013 - 2:00 p.m.

Members: Timothy Miller, Chairman		Ex-Officio and Staff Distribution:
John Fischer, Vice Chair		Don Robertson, Public Works, Urban Forester
Logan Rink, Secretary		Bill Joyce, PW Chief Engineering & Construction Management
Andy Sikes, Board Member		Richard Ball, PW, Traffic Operations Division
Montasser (Monty) Selim, Board Member		Don Redman, Member of Council, District 4
Chris Flagg, Board Member		Scott Shine, Jacksonville Waterways Commission
Jonathan Garza, Board Member		James Boyle, JTA Representative
Roland Udenze, Board Member		Vickie Drake, Ex-Officio Member
Carol Worsham, Board Member		Terry Lorince, Ex-Officio Member
		William Lyle, Ex-Officio Member
		Joel McEachin, Ex-Officio Member
Ex-Officio and Staff Distribution:		Michael Sands, Ex-Officio Member
Paul Crawford, OED Acting ED		Jim Bailey, DIA Representative
Eric Lindstrom, OED Staff Liaison		David DeCamp, Public Information Office
Jim Klement, OED Staff Liaison		Michelle Stephens, DDRB Recording Secretary
Jason Teal, Assistant General Counsel		
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I.	CALL TO ORDER – Chairman Miller	
II.	ACTION ITEMS – Chairman Miller	
	Approval of the November 1, 2012 Meeting Minutes	
	DDRB 2012-012 Riverside YMCA	- Request for Deviations and Final Approval
	DDRD 2012-012, Riverside TWCA	Request for Deviations and Final Approval
III.	INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS – Chairman Miller	
	Ethics, Carla Miller	
	Laura Street Façade Grant Program – Jennifer Hewett- Apperson, DVI Director of District Service	
IV.	OLD BUSINESS – Chairman Miller	
V.	NEW BUSINESS – Chairman Miller	
VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS – Chairman Miller		
VII.	ADJOURNMENT – Chairman Miller	
	Next Scheduled Meeting: Thursday, February 7, 2013 at 2:00 p.m.	



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MEETING MINUTES

Board Members Present: Chairman T. Miller, C. Flagg, R. Udenze, J. Fischer, M. Selim and C. Worsham

Board Members Not Present: J. Garza, A. Sikes, and Logan Rink

OED Staff Present: Paul Crawford, Acting Executive Director; Jim Klement, Staff Liaison; Eric Lindstrom, Staff Liaison; and Michelle Stephens, Recording Secretary

Representing Office of General Counsel: Jason Teal

I. CALL TO ORDER

A quorum was confirmed and Chairman Miller called the meeting to order at approximately 2:07 p.m. He introduced and welcomed newly appointed DDRB Member Carol Worsham.

II. ACTION ITEMS

APPROVAL OF THE NOVEMBER 1, 2012 DDRB MEETING MINUTES

THE NOVEMBER 1, 2012 DDRB MEETING MINUTES WERE APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY 6-0.

Carla Miller, Director Office of Ethics, Compliance and Oversight for the City of Jacksonville provided an overview of government in the sunshine and public records.

<u>DDRB 2012-012, RIVERSIDE YMCA – REQUEST FOR DEVIATIONS AND FINAL APPROVAL</u>

Mr. Klement reviewed the project report dated January 10, 2013. He introduced Mr. Mike Montoya, Designer with Reynolds, Smith and Hills, Inc., who provided an overview of the project with the intent of receiving approval of deviations and final approval.

Board member Udenze advised that he would abstain from voting on the Riverside YMCA project due to a conflict of interest (works for the Haskell Company).

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BOARD MEMBER FISCHER AND SECONDED BY BOARD MEMBER FLAGG APPROVING A DEVIATION FROM SEC. 656.361.11-SETBACK OR "BUILD TO LINES FOR THE YMCA DEVELOPMENT TO ALLOW THE PROPOSED BUILDING TO BE SETBACK 395 FEET FROM THE SOUTHERLY RIGHT OF WAY LINE OF RIVERSIDE AVENUE FOR DDRB 2012-012. THE

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY 6-0-1 (BOARD MEMBER UDENZE ABSTAINED FROM VOTING).

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BOARD MEMBER FISCHER AND SECONDED BY BOARD MEMBER FLAGG APPROVING A DEVIATION FROM SEC. 656.361.14-RIVER VIEWS AND HEIGHT OF BUILDINGS AND STRUCTURES TO PERMIT A 3 FOOT INCREASE TO THE 45 FOOT UNDERLYING CRO DISTRICT HEIGHT LIMIT SO AS TO PERMIT A 48 FOOT HIGH YMCA BUILDING FOR DDRB 2012-012. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY 6-0-1 (BOARD MEMBER UDENZE ABSTAINED FROM VOTING).

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BOARD MEMBER FISCHER AND SECONDED BY BOARD MEMBER FLAGG APPROVING A DEVIATION FROM SEC. 656.361.18-TRANSPARENCY TO ALLOW A REDUCTION FROM THE REQUIRED 104 LINEAR FEET TO 59 LINEAR FEET OF TRANSPARENCY PROPOSED FOR THE BUILDING FAÇADE FACING THE RIVERSIDE AVENUE FRONTAGE FOR DDRB 2012-012. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY 6-0-1 (BOARD MEMBER UDENZE ABSTAINED FROM VOTING).

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BOARD MEMBER FISCHER AND SECONDED BY BOARD MEMBER WORSHAM GRANTING FINAL APPROVAL OF DDRB 2012-012, YMCA FACLIITY NOTING THAT SIGNS ARE NOT APPROVED AND THE APPLICANT/DEVELOPER WILL SUBMIT APPROPRIATE SIGN DOCUMENTATION AND REQUIRED SPECIAL SIGN EXCEPTION APPLICATION FOR REVIEW AND APPROVAL BY THE DDRB PRIOR TO SIGN PERMIT AND INSTALLATION. THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY 6-0-1 (BOARD MEMBER UDENZE ABSTAINED FROM VOTING).

III. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

Laura Street Façade Grant Program

Jennifer Hewitt- Apperson, DVI Director of District Services, provided an overview of the Laura Street Façade Grant Program that included a proposed mural for Chamblin's Uptown.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Teal provided an update on the Bostwick Building.

V. NEW BUSINESS

At the request of Chairman Miller, Mr. Teal provided an update on pending legislation being proposed by Council Member Redman to remove seating at Hemming Plaza.

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VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chair Miller adjourned the meeting at approximately 3:50 p.m.

The next DDRB meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 7, 2013, at 2:00 p.m.

The written minutes for this meeting are only an overview of what was discussed. For verbatim comments for this meeting, an audio CD is available upon request. Please contact Michelle Stephens, Office of Economic Development at (904) 630-1979 or by email at msteph@coj.net.