

**CITY OF CORAL SPRINGS COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  
**Monday, January 27, 2020**

Board Chair John Walsh called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The meeting was held in the Everglades Room, City Hall, 9500 West Sample Road, Coral Springs, Florida. Kristi Bartlett called the roll of the Board Members.

John Walsh, Chair	Present
Germain Bebe	Present
Lorna Brown-Burton	Absent
David Harper	Present
Andrew Kasten, Vice Chair	Present
Allan Koch	Present
William Vasquez	Present

Also in attendance:

Kristi Bartlett, Director, Econ. Development  
Vanessa Steinerts, CRA Counsel  
Diana Scarpetta, ED Coordinator  
Diana Simpson, Citizen

All persons in attendance rose for the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**1. Citizens' Comments:** No citizen comments.

**2. Special Announcements/Comments:** No special announcements or comments.

**3. Approval of meeting summary:**

- November 18, 2019

**Action:** Board member Vasquez moved, seconded by Board member Kasten, to accept the meeting minutes. The motion was approved unanimously (6-0).

- December 3, 2019

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**4. Innovate Downton Update**

Director Bartlett provided an update on the event. She mentioned that the application process opened on January 6, 2020. There are about 10 applicants at this moment and hopeful that more individuals apply. The application is open to students as well. Event is being promoted through the City's social media. Applicants with the best product or idea will be chosen to present their idea. The event will be moved outside in a tent. Cruise Planners has agreed to do a dry run for participants to receive feedback from the company's executives prior to the event. The Innovative Committee will select the presenters for the event. Sponsors are needed for the event. Staff reached out to Blue Stream, who sponsored the event for the last two years. Event will be more interactive this year. Also, speakers are needed for the event.

Board member Bebe offered to sponsor the event.

## **5. Annual Report Review**

Staff presented an outline for the annual report as well as a draft message from the Chair.

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## **6. Other Business**

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- Director Bartlett mentioned that she received a request for the CRA to fund flower baskets in the Downtown area as a landscaping improvement. Currently, there are no funds allocated for this purpose, but it can be considered for the next Fiscal Year.

## **Adjournment**

- There being no additional business, the meeting adjourned at 6:22 PM. The next CRA Board Meeting will be Monday, February 24, 2020 at 6 PM.

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