

## SUMMARY MINUTES

### ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

January 7, 2026 – 5:30 p.m.

Osprey Conference Room

*10770 West Oakland Park Boulevard, Sunrise, FL 33351*

#### CALL TO ORDER

**BY:** Christina Searles-Oraeme, Vice Chair at **5:38 pm**

#### A. ROLL CALL

Patrice Barnes

Andres Barrera

Maria Renee Davila – **Absent Unexcused**

Wilna Fenelon

Dolores Molina

Christina Searles-Oraeme

Danielle Lima – Economic Development Director

Paige Stanish – Administrative Assistant I/Board  
Secretary

Kristabel Villegas – City Manager’s Office Intern

#### B. OPEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION

#### C. APPROVAL OF DECEMBER 3, 2025 SUMMARY MINUTES

Member Barnes made a motion to approve the December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025 minutes, and Member Barrera seconded. There was no opposition from the Board.

#### D. BOARD LIASION REPORT

Ms. Lima informed the Board that Taste of Sunrise tickets are now available to purchase online or in person at the Civic Center box office. She reminded the board that tickets sell out fast. Ms. Lima informed that the Public Art Master plan was presented to the Commission and will hopefully be approved at the January 27<sup>th</sup> Commission meeting. Ms. Lima also informed everyone of a Call to Artists currently open to replace the 13 temporary sculptures. Ideally, the sculptures are installed in March, but the pieces still have to be selected and approved by the Commission. A conversation about the temporary art at the Village Arts Plaza led to Member Barrera expressing concern over low attendance at the Village Art Bites event. The Board discussed reasons for the low attendance. Assistant Deputy Mayor Clarke entered the meeting, introduced herself to the Board, and thanked everyone for volunteering their time to help improve the City.

Ms. Lima updated the Board on the sign code presentation from the October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025 meeting. Ms. Lima attended the Chamber luncheon to get more sign code surveys completed by participants. Ms. Lima informed the board on Camino Real, a new hotel project near the Indian Trace plaza, which is facing some concerns from residents.

## **E. OLD BUSINESS**

### **a. Business Spotlight Awards**

Ms. Lima informed the Board a few elected officials were concerned about getting enough nominations for each category. Ms. Lima proposed to reduce the categories by combining categories, which the Board supported. To market the event, Member Barnes suggested flyers at the City Hall Express tables. Member Barnes also suggested the City should require BTR applicants to provide their emails, to reach more business owners in the City. Ms. Lima said she will ask why the City does not require BTR applicants to submit an email.

## **F. NEW BUSINESS**

### **a. Swearing-In of Board Members**

Ms. Stanish swore in the board members.

### **b. Selection of Chair and Vice Chair**

Ms. Lima explained how the nomination process works. Member Barrera made a motion to nominate Member Molina as Chair, and the motion was seconded by Member Fenelon. The Board approved unanimously. Member Barnes made a motion to nominate Member Fenelon as Vice Chair, and Member Barrera seconded. The Board approved unanimously.

### **c. Member Self-Introductions**

## **G. BOARD MEMBERS DISCUSSION**

## **H. ADJOURNMENT**

Member Barnes motioned to adjourn the meeting, and the motion was seconded by Member Barrera. The motion passed unanimously, and the meeting was adjourned at **6:34 pm**.

Transcribed by: Paige Stanish, Board Secretary/ *Paige Stanish*

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the board, agency, or commission concerning any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he/she will need a record of the proceedings, and, for such purpose, he may

need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based. F.S.S. 286.0105.