

SUMMARY MINUTES

**Economic Development Advisory Board Meeting
MAY 1, 2019 – 5:30 P.M.
10770 WEST OAKLAND PARK BOULEVARD**

A. CALL TO ORDER **BY: Annie Cohen Coles
5:30 P.M.**

B. ROLL CALL The following were found to be present:

Annie Cohen Coles
Karen Scinta
Roberta Block
Sonia Sierra
Dottie Stollerman
Sophia Haynes
Kingsley Casseus - ABSENT

Louis Sandora, Director, Economic Development
Alesa Lane – Secretary

C. OPEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION

None

D. APPROVAL OF APRIL 3, 2019 SUMMARY MINUTES

Karen Scinta motioned to approve the minutes as recorded. It was seconded by Roberta Block. The Board agreed without opposition.

E. MARKETING UPDATE – LOU SANDORA

Lou handed out a map of the Westerra land, which is a 32-acre parcel of land that is vacant and up for sale. The entitlements are approved for a 300-room hotel, 1,800 apartments, over 2 million square feet of office space and about another 44,000 square feet of commercial which is retail. It's on Sunrise Boulevard heading west. He said we are very excited about getting someone to develop this project. He said there is very little office space left. Within a 5-mile radius of this site, Lou said it is 7% office vacant. This is going to be called Downtown Broward.

Lou said there is an interchange that we are trying to get to go North on to the Sawgrass Expressway. However, the Turnpike authorities said we cannot do this because we will need to put in a mount. We are still working on this. Once this is completed and in place, there may be tolls involved that will in turn give the city extra tax dollars.

F. OLD BUSINESS – ANNIE COHEN COLES

Sophia Haynes said she checked the economic website and noticed applications for the Leadership Awards is still being advertised. Lou Sandora indicated that program has ended and we will need to contact Christine Pfeffer to request that it is taken down.

Karen expressed disappointment in not being able to go forward with the community garage sale. Lou reiterated that the consensus from senior staff was met with concerns for potential liability issues and logistics. With the current construction and the new city hall project projecting soon, we will have to revisit when all construction is completed.

G. NEW BUSINESS – ANNIE COHEN COLES

Some of the members wanted to discuss pickle ball again. Lou reminded the members that the core mission of the economic board is to create investments, job opportunities and tourism for the city of Sunrise.

Lou suggested that if they feel this strongly about this sport, go to the commission meeting to present it.

H. BOARD MEMBERS DISCUSSION – ANNIE COHEN COLES

Board Members were encouraged to continue thinking about coming up with ideas that could be implemented to help economic development for the city of Sunrise.

I. ADJOURNMENT – ANNIE COHEN COLES

Karen Scinta made a motion to adjourn. It was seconded by Dottie Stollerman. The motion passed without opposition. Meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Next board meeting will be on June 5, 2019.

Transcribed by: Alesa Lane, Board Secretary

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the board, agency, or commission with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he/she will need a record of the proceedings, and that, 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.