

SUMMARY MINUTES

SMALL BUSINESS ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

February 15, 2023 – 5:30 p.m.

**City Commission Chambers
12855 NW 8th St, Sunrise, FL 33323**

A. CALL TO ORDER BY: Amber McCloud

B. ROLL CALL
Liron Offir
Amber McCloud
Shenika Bennett-Martins
Louis Feuer
Shari Nourick
Michelle Coleman
Steven Alpert

Danielle Lima – Economic Development Director
Stephanie Joseph – Administrative Support IV

C. SELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

The board selected Liron Offir as Chair, and Amber McCloud as Vice-chair. There was no opposition from the board.

D. OPEN PUBLIC DISCUSSION

None.

E. APPROVAL JANUARY 18, 2022 SUMMARY MINUTES

Motion was made and carried to approve January 18, 2022 Summary Minutes. Amber McCloud made a motion and Shenika Bennett-Martins seconded. There was no opposition from the board.

F. OLD BUSINESS

None.

G. NEW BUSINESS

a. Economic Development and Redevelopment Presentation – Danielle Lima, Economic Development Director

Danielle provided a presentation on Economic Development which included the role/duties of the Economic Development Director, new development within Sunrise, Small Business Assistance, Public Art etc.

Metropica – Mixed use – Residential, Office, Retail & Hotel. Metropica is also working through a hotel deal.

Baptist Health in Sunrise - 100 beds with comprehensive diagnostic and treatment space, including: emergency department, surgical services, imaging and medical office building.

Free On-Demand Transportation - Four Electric Vehicles at no cost. Drivers are ambassadors and Partnership with local businesses.

Sunrise Small Business Assistance – The Sunrise Small Business Academy (SSBA) Completed 2 cohorts in 2022 with 40 graduates. The goal is to provide Sunrise small business owners with resources that can help elevate and grow their business.

East Sunrise Improvements Master Plan - The Master Plan adopted in March 2019 to stimulate investment and to revitalize our original neighborhoods.

Property Transactions – (Sunset Strip Square) Selling 3-acre city-owned site. Proposed development aligns with master plan. (Former Gas Station) City entered into a 30-year lease. Construction Award in 07/2022 and currently in final permitting.

Construction Projects – (City Park) The complete makeover of City Park does more than restore residents' pride and expand safety – it also serves as a catalyst for private investment. (Village Art Plaza) The Plaza will serve as a prominent central gathering place for events and public art. Construction started February 2023.

Sawgrass Mall is looking into potentially opening a second hotel.

H. BOARD MEMBERS DISCUSSION

Member Alpert inquired about Amazon. Danielle explained that she does include the information because there is currently nothing active with the site.

Member Offir inquired about the abandoned skatepark. Danielle explained that the city does not own the land.

The Board inquired about another Publix coming to Sunrise in the future. Danielle explained that the city is working on a potential grocery deal that cannot be announced at this moment.

I. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn by Liron Offir, at 6:18 P.M, seconded by Shari Nourick. There was no opposition from the board.

Transcribed by: Stephanie Joseph, Board Secretary/ *Stephanie Joseph*

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.