



Pinellas County

Staff Report

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Subject:

Resolution delegating certain approval authority of the Pinellas County Community Redevelopment Agency to the County Administrator (or his designee) in furtherance of implementing the Redevelopment Plan for the Lealman Community Redevelopment Area.

Recommended Action:

Sitting as the Community Redevelopment Agency (Agency), approve a resolution delegating certain approval authority of the Agency to the County Administrator (or his designee) in furtherance of implementing the Lealman Community Redevelopment Area Plan (Plan).

- This resolution is modeled after the authority provided to the County Administrator in Section 2-62 a. (1)-(12) of the Pinellas County Code, as applicable to the Lealman CRA, and would allow the County Administrator the authority to approve and execute certain contracts, documents and instruments on behalf of the Agency.

Strategic Plan:

Ensure Public Health Safety and Welfare

2.2 Be a facilitator, convener, and purchaser of services for those in need.

Foster Continual Economic Growth and Vitality

4.2 Invest in communities that need the most

Deliver First Class Services to the Public and Our Customers

5.3 Ensure effective and efficient delivery of county services and support

Summary:

Adoption of this resolution will grant the County Administrator the authority to approve and execute certain contracts, documents and instruments on behalf of the Agency for the purpose of implementing the Plan, pursuant to powers enumerated in Section 163.370 of the Florida Statutes. The purpose of requesting this delegation of authority is to enable more efficient project and program implementation of the Plan. Staff based the proposed resolution of items applicable to the CRA already delegated to the County Administrator through Section 2-62 a. (1)-(12) of the Pinellas County Code.

The Lealman Community Redevelopment Area Advisory Committee (Advisory Committee) reviewed these amendments at its regularly scheduled meeting on February 27, 2019 and demonstrated its support by unanimously passing a motion of support.

Background Information:

The Plan is implemented consistent with Florida Statutes Chapter 163, Part III, Community Redevelopment, and provides the framework with which staff implements revitalization initiatives. The

Plan sets an anticipated course of action for the investment of Tax Increment Financing funds and other public resources in the Lealman CRA on capital improvement projects, and people- and place-based initiatives encompassing Economic Development, Neighborhood Revitalization, Workforce Development and Healthy Community disciplines.

In July 2015, via Resolution 15-62, the Board of County Commissioners (Board) made a positive finding of blighted conditions and established the Lealman Community Redevelopment Area (CRA), directed staff to create a Plan for the CRA. Also in July 2015, via Ordinance 15-29, the Board established the Agency and appointed itself as its governing body. The Board established the Advisory Committee via Resolution 15-70 to assist staff in drafting the Plan, and on June 7, 2016, the Board approved the Plan via Resolution 16-40.

Fiscal Impact:

Approval of the Resolution would provide the County Administrator or his/her designee shall have the authority to approve and execute, as applicable to the Lealman CRA, certain contracts, documents and instruments up to \$250,000 and grant applications up to \$1,000,000 on behalf of the Agency and the Board.

Staff Member Responsible:

Renea Vincent, Director, Planning

Partners:

Lealman Community Redevelopment Area Advisory Committee
Lealman residents, businesses, stakeholders and community partners

Attachments:

Resolution