

**JACKSONVILLE INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT/
COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AREA
MEETING MINUTES**

Thursday, January 19, 2012 – 4:00 p.m.
Police & Fire Pension Building 2nd Floor

Board Members Present: Warren Alvarez, Chairwoman Melody S. Bishop, Vice Chairman Andy Sikes, Paul Schmidt, and Michael Stewart

Board Members Absent: Calvin Burney and Lad Daniels
JEDC Staff Members Present: Joseph Whitaker and Karen Underwood

Board Liaison & Visitors Present: Richard Berry/Eden Group

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairwoman Melody S. Bishop called the JIA/CRA meeting to order, introduced members, JEDC staff and JAA staff.

II. ACTION ITEMS

APPROVAL OF THE DECEMBER 15, 2011 MEETING MINUTES

MEETING MINUTES WERE APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY 5-0

III. INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS

JEDC approval of \$25,000 towards Interchange Planning Study

As a result of no January JEDC meeting and in light of the critical timing, Chairwoman Bishop opened up for discussion whether the \$25,000 expenditure of the funds should still be taken through the JEDC for approval or go through the MBRC approval process. Joseph Whitaker explained the alternative to going through the JEDC would be to have the Mayor or a Council Member introduce legislation.

Timing is a critical issue. The Mayor's Budget Review Committee (MBRC) meets on the Monday before City Council meetings. As the next MBRC meeting was anticipated to occur the following Monday, four days later, the board agreed to write a letter of explanation for expending the funds to Mayor Brown and copy Ronnie Belton, City's CFO; James Bennett, FDOT; and Steve Grossman, JAA. The letter would inform the Airport Authority that the Board is taking steps on moving forward with funding to assist with this Planning Study. It was

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discussed that the most expeditious route would be to request that the Mayor's administration approve the \$25,000 towards the interchange planning study.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY WARREN ALVAREZ AND SECONDED BY MICHAEL STEWART FOR THE BOARD TO PREPARE A LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION TO MAYOR ALVIN BROWN, COPYING CFO RONNIE BELTON, FDOT AND JAA TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE \$25,000 TO BE USED AS A PART OF THE STUDY OF THE IMPROVEMENTS AT THE INTERCHANGE AT I/95 AND AIRPORT ROAD.

THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY 5-0

Mr. Berry stated if we draft a letter and make a resolution he thought that it needed to note that the \$25,000 is not in the current budget; this was further discussed and decided by those Board members present that it was not relevant to the issue of the JIA-CRA support.

It was noted that JAA would lead the project and request a scope for the study from Reynolds, Smith and Hills along with the Study cost; once FDOT agrees to the Scope & Fee, they will complete their paperwork to supply 50 percent to the JAA. Barring unforeseen circumstances, the Joint Participation Agreement (JPA) will be approved in March and the next day the study can commence.

JEDC Introduction of Priority List Resolution

There was some discussion regarding the JIA-CRA List of Priorities that has been approved by the City Council. Past history shows that the Transportation Study was shared with the TPO, approved by the JEDC and left on the shelf. City Council has never approved the transportation study. There have been three lists of priorities.

- One was done by the engineering firm for JIA/CRA.
- Mr. Barton headed up a task force for the Mayor and they came up with a priority list of about eight projects.
- JAA came up with a priority list and there is some continuity between the three.

There was no action on this item; further discussion postponed for next meeting once actual dates of City Council approvals can be confirmed.

Interchange Planning Study Schedule with Milestone

Chairwoman Bishop presented a draft of the schedule with milestones towards a study for the I-95 Airport Road Interchange Improvements and wanted feedback from the members. There were no changes suggested by Board members present and Joe Whitaker felt that the List with milestones was inclusive.

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IV. OLD BUSINESS

None

V. NEW BUSINESS

None

VI. BOARD LIASION UPDATES

Eden Group (R. Berry):

Mr. Berry referenced Duval Road and stated that there was a bill going through City Council. The developers have asked the City to transfer four small parcels of land to them. The City owns it and the four parcels do not amount to an acre of land.

He also referenced another bill going through Council. The bill was introduced by the new owner and they are requesting a Brownfield evaluation of the property for possible contamination from a previous dry wall company.

First Coast TPO Citizens Advisory Committee (C. Burney):

None

Jacksonville Aviation Authority (Todd Lindner):

None

VII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 16, 2012, at 4 p.m. The meeting will be held in the Police and Fire Pension Building, One West Adams Street, Suite 200, in the Small Conference Room.

Melody Starr Bishop, Chairman