## Minutes of the Special Call Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the St. Petersburg Housing Authority September 22, 2016

Due to technical difficulties, the meeting audio did not record. Therefore, the written minutes are more detailed than usual.

Commissioner Davis, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:50 p.m. Upon roll call, the following were in attendance:

Present at Roll: Commissioner Delphinia Davis, Chair

Commissioner Harry L. Harvey, Vice Chair

Commissioner Jo Ann Nesbitt Commissioner Virginia Littrell Commissioner Stewart Olson

Commissioner Emeritus Arnett Smith

Absent at Roll: Commissioner Artesha Adras (arrived at 3:56pm)

Staff Present: Tony L. Love, Chief Executive Officer

Melinda Perry, Chief Operating Officer

Others Present: Attorney Jeff Butt, Squire Patton Boggs

Attorney Sandy MacLennan, Squire Patton Boggs

SUBJECT: Purchase of Jordan Park

Sandy MacLennan provided a summary of the Housing Services Committee meeting that she attended that morning at City Hall. She reported significant discussion and questions from council members about the history of the Jordan Park redevelopment, the \$3.1 forgivable loan from the city to Jordan Park's current owner, and the options for new ownership.

Sandy MacLennan reported that she and Jeffrey Butt met with the City attorneys, directly after the Housing Services Committee meeting, to discuss the language that could be used to provide the City with the oversight that they wanted, while not hindering SPHA in getting financing and operating the property. Ms. MacLennan said the final agreement would be brought back before the board for approval.

Jeffrey Butt indicated that we would not be able to close on the Jordan Park sale by the end of September. He stated that there were several conditions to closing that must be met, and therefore, the closing would not take place until potentially November or later. Mr. Love stated that the owner has agreed to reduce the purchase price to \$0, with the requirement that the \$400,000.00 that would have been used to purchase the property would be used for property improvements.

The Commissioners indicated that upon purchase of Jordan Park, SPHA would focus improvements on Historic Village, as the problems that arose this summer came from three buildings within that area. Staff believes that the infrastructure in Historic Village was never replaced, as those units were rehabbed and not demolished. The Physical Needs Assessment procured by SPHA did not address the infrastructure at the Historic Village, so staff will inquire about an additional inspection for that area. City staff is looking into this to determine whether or not that infrastructure was replaced.

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SUBJECT:

**Old Business** 

There was no old business.

SUBJECT:

**New Business** 

Mr. Love mentioned that a Councilmember made a recommendation to City Council to change the purchase price for the Museum building to \$0, in consideration for them forgiving the CDBG loan to Jordan Park Development Partners. Mr. Love stated that the City Council meeting was happening simultaneously with the Special Call meeting, and that he would know more after City Council met.

There being no furthter business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Belphinia Davis, Chairperson

Tony L. Love, Secretary