Ocala

Brownfields Advisory Committee

Minutes

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Thursday, January 23, 2025 **2:30 PM**

1. Call To Order

   a. Roll Call

   Present Carolyn Adams, Barbara Brooks, Elgin Carelock, Brady Fritz, Antoinette Hunt, and Luzonia Waters

   Absent Evan Kornacki, and Ruth Etta Reed

2. Public Notice

   The public notice information for the Brownfields Advisory Committee was published on January 10, 2025.

3. Approval of Minutes

   a. September 19, 2024

   Attachments: Brownfileds AC 9.19.24 Minutes

   RESULT: APPROVED

   MOVER: Barbara Brooks

   SECONDER: Carolyn Adams

4. Grants/Applications

   Economic Development Manager Roberto Ellis reported to the Advisory Committee that there are currently no new applications.

5. Project Updates

   a. Budget Review - January 2025

   Attachments: Budget Review - January 2025

   Economic Development Manager Roberto Ellis presented the budget update. He reported a grant amount of $500,000, with expenses to date totaling $336,670, leaving a remaining balance of $163,330. The majority of this balance will be utilized for the Reed Place Brownfields Revitalization Plan. The grant is scheduled to conclude in September 2026.

   b. Reed Place Nov 2024 - Public Outreach Summary

   Attachments: Reed Place Nov 2024 - Public Outreach Summary

   Economic Development Manager Roberto Ellis reviewed the Community Outreach Meeting held on November 21, 2024, noting that fifty-seven (57) community members attended and fifty-eight (58) online surveys were submitted.

Mr. Ellis provided an overview of upcoming tasks, including steps to remove groundwater restrictions placed on Parcel B. This requires four (4) consecutive quarters of sampling results demonstrating that contamination levels are below applicable groundwater cleanup target levels.

Mr. Ellis also presented estimated comparative costs for various cleanup alternatives.

6. Other Business

Economic Development Manager Roberto Ellis reviewed the upcoming expirations of Brownfields Advisory Committee terms for Evan Kornacki and Luzonia Waters. An email notification has been sent to those members.

7. Public Comments

None.

8. Staff Comments

None.

9. Board Comments

None.

10. Next Meeting Date: March 20, 2025

a. 2025 Meeting Schedule - BAC

Attachments: 2025 Meeting Schedule - BAC

Economic Development Manager Roberto Ellis provided the Committee with the meeting schedule for 2025.

11. Adjournment 2:42 pm.

RESULT: APPROVED
MOVER: Barbara Brooks
SECONDER: Elgin Carelock