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COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING
MONDAY, August 18, 2025 – 7:30 PM
COMMISSION ROOM/CITY HALL

CALL TO ORDER – Ellie Harper, Chair

ROLL CALL – Amy Palmer, Assistant City Manager

APPROVE CRA MINUTES – Regular Meeting – 6/16/2025

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Amy Palmer, Assistant City Manager

REQUEST TO ADD ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO AGENDA –

REQUEST FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC –

AGENDA

1. APPROVAL OF PROPOSED BUDGETS FOR FY 25/26 AND FY 26/27
2. WORKSHOP - CRA PLAN UPDATE

Ref. F.S. 286: If an individual decides to appeal any decision made by the City Commission with respect to this meeting, a verbatim transcript may be requested. If so, the individual should make provision for a transcript to be made at the meeting. Persons with disabilities needing special accommodations to participate in this proceeding should contact the City Clerk no later than five days prior to the proceeding at 968-5133.

**Community Redevelopment Agency Meeting
August 18, 2025**

AGENDA ITEM 1: APPROVAL OF PROPOSED BUDGETS FOR FY 25/26 AND FY 26/27

 INFORMATION ONLY

 X ACTION REQUESTED

ISSUE: The Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) Board will be presented the proposed FY 25/26 and FY 26/27 CRA Budgets for approval.

ATTACHMENTS:

Proposed FY 25/26 and FY 26/27 CRA Budgets

ANALYSIS: The proposed FY 25/26 and FY 26/27 Budgets being presented at this time reflect the proposed CIP projects in the first two years of the five-year CIP that was presented at the CRA's last meeting on June 16, 2025.

In addition to general operational expenses, the proposed FY 25/26 Budget provides CRA funding for the following CIP approved projects:

- \$150,000 for a Master Plan of the MAS property/Wiley Drive Streetscape/Pickleball Courts
- \$500,000 for Wiley Drive/Church Street Streetscape Reserves
- \$1,000,000 for Splash Pad Reserves and to start designing the Splash Pad

\$150,000 will be utilized for a consultant to complete a master plan for the Splash Pad, Pickleball Courts, Dog Park, Skate Park, and Wiley Drive Streetscape projects. The \$500,000 for the Wiley Drive Streetscape represents the 2nd year of reserve funding for the streetscape. The \$1,000,000 for the Splash Pad Reserves is the second year of reserves for that project, and allows for design of the Splash Pad to start in FY 25/26.

In addition to general operational expenses, the proposed FY 26/27 Budget provides CRA funding for the following CIP approved projects:

- \$75,000 for US Hwy 92/Havendale Blvd. Corridor Plan
- \$500,000 for Wiley Drive Streetscape Reserves
- \$2,000,000 for Splash Pad Construction
- \$500,000 for Pickleball Reserves

\$500,000 for Wiley Drive Streetscape Reserves represents the third year of building reserves for the construction of a new streetscape on Wiley Drive. Funding for the Splash Pad represents the third and final year of funding for the project, with a total of \$1.5 million built in reserves and \$500,000 of new money in FY 26/27, for a total of \$2,000,000 for the Splash Pad construction. The \$500,000 for Pickleball Reserves represents the first year of reserves for the expansion of the tennis courts to include pickleball courts.

The proposed FY 25/26 and FY 26/27 CRA Budgets for revenues and expenses are balanced. The final budget will be presented to the CRA for approval in August. If approved by the CRA, the CRA Budget will be included with the City's Annual Budget and presented at Public Hearings in September.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approval of the FY 25/26 and FY 26/27 CRA Budgets.

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AGENDA ITEM 2: WORKSHOP – CRA PLAN UPDATE

 X INFORMATION ONLY

 ACTION REQUESTED

ISSUE: The CRA’s consultant, Inspire Placemaking Collective, will be conducting a workshop to discuss the Auburndale CRA Plan update and extension of the CRA’s operational timeframe through 2052.

ATTACHMENTS:

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ANALYSIS: In 1992, the City of Auburndale saw the need to revitalize the downtown business district and created the Auburndale Community Redevelopment Agency (CRA) and Community Redevelopment Plan. The plan has been in place since 1992 and created strategies to redevelop, rehabilitate, and conserve the Community Redevelopment Agency District.

The CRA is currently set to expire in 2035 and the CRA has expressed a desire to extend the timeframe of the CRA through it’s 60-year time certain expressed in State Statute, through the year 2052. The City’s Auditor and Attorney have both recommended the Community Redevelopment Plan be updated and State Statutes require an update to extend the operational timeframe of the CRA.

During the workshop the consultant will review the current plan, present existing conditions, and review new data and analysis. This presentation will be followed by an interactive discussion of opportunities and constraints, to establish Board goals and priorities that should be incorporated in the new plan update.