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COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY MEETING
Monday, October 20, 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 – 9/18/2025

ANNOUNCEMENTS – Amy Palmer, Assistant City Manager

REQUEST TO ADD ADDITIONAL ITEMS TO AGENDA –

REQUEST FROM THE GENERAL PUBLIC –

AGENDA

1. CRA RESOLUTION #2025-01 – COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT 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
October 20, 2025**

AGENDA ITEM 1: CRA RESOLUTION #2025-01 – COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT PLAN UPDATE

____ INFORMATION ONLY

__X__ ACTION REQUESTED

ISSUE: The CRA will consider Resolution #2025-01 recommending amendments to the Community Redevelopment Plan and an extension of time to complete redevelopment activities.

ATTACHMENTS:

- . CRA Resolution #2025-01
- . Auburndale Community Redevelopment Plan Update

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 its 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.

Inspire Placemaking held a workshop with the CRA Board on August 18, 2025, and as a result of the workshop, a review of existing conditions, and a review of the CRA's progress since 1992, have updated the CRA Redevelopment Plan. The Plan document reflects updated existing conditions, and modifies the 1992 goals, objectives, and action items to better take advantage of opportunities as they exist in today's CRA District. The Plan also includes an Appendix that reports the results of the workshop and provides evidence of meeting Statutory requirements with Chapter 163, Part III of Florida Statutes. The updated Plan extends the operational timeframe of the Auburndale Community Redevelopment Agency to 2052.

The Community Redevelopment Plan Update was reviewed by the City Manager's Office, Community Development Director, and City Attorney. Copies of the updated Plan and Notices that the CRA's operational timeframe are proposed to be extended were sent to all taxing authorities that are located in Auburndale, including the City of Auburndale, the Polk County BoCC, the School Board, the Southwest Florida Water Management District, and the Lake Region Lakes Management District.

The Plan update was presented to the Planning Commission, which made a recommendation of approval, finding the plan in compliance with the City's Comprehensive Plan. Following a recommendation by the CRA, the updated Plan will be presented to the City Commission for adoption on November 3, 2025 during a Public Hearing.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Recommend approval of CRA Resolution #2025-01 updating the Community Redevelopment Plan and extending the operational timeframe of the CRA to 2052 to the City Commission.