

**MINUTES**  
**EAST STUART HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE OF THE STUART EAST**  
**STUART HISTORICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**OCTOBER 1, 2024**  
**AT 3:00 PM**  
**COMMISSION CHAMBERS**  
**121 SW FLAGLER AVE.**  
**STUART, FLORIDA 34994**

**BOARD MEMBERS**

Chair - Faye James  
Board Member - Albert Brinkley  
Board Member - Betty Brinkley  
Board Member - Joseph Cooper  
Board Member - Kimberly McHardy Grant  
Board Member - Philip Harvey  
Board Member - VACANT

**ADMINISTRATIVE**

CRA Executive Director - Pinal Gandhi-Savdas  
Board Secretary - Susej T. Meleqi

**CALL TO ORDER**

3:00 PM

**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Chair James, Board Member A Brinkley, Board Member B Brinkley, Board Member Harvey, Board Member Cooper

ABSENT: Board Member McHardy Grant

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**3:01 PM MOTION: Approve.**

**MOVED BY: Albert Brinkley**

**SECONDED BY: Philip Harvey**

**Motion approved unanimously.**

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

### **1. APPROVAL OF 07/02/2024 ESHAC MINUTES**

**3:02 PM MOTION: Approve.**

**MOVED BY: Albert Brinkley**

**SECONDED BY: Philip Harvey**

**Motion approved unanimously.**

## **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC (Non-Agenda Related) (3 Minutes Max.)**

None.

## **COMMENTS BY BOARD MEMBERS (Non-Agenda Items)**

Board Member Albert Brinkley

- Share his concerns about a vehicle in the formerly known Harvey Plaza with a confederate flag on it.

### **3:06 PM Board Member Cooper arrived**

- Shared his disappointment about the kids being moved from the 10th St Recreation Center to the Boys and Girls Club. Stated he passed by and noticed that there was a meeting in the recreation center, which was the Chamber of Commerce.
- Asked Pinal Gandhi - Savdas, CRA Executive Director, when the Heirs program was starting because he knew of someone who could use this program. Lee Baggett, City Attorney, stated if the person had already started then they might not be able to join our program.
- Complained about the noise coming from a gutter company in Club 19.
- Asked why there are lien on peoples property who have used the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). Ms. Gandhi-Savdas stated we just follow Federal Regulations.
- Inquired about where people in East Stuart can get money to fix their homes. Ms. Gandhi-Savdas stated the different programs we have.

Board Member Harvey asked if a workshop could be had for the community to show them how they can fix their homes. Ms. Gandhi-Savdas stated she could do something like that, but would need a list of identified homes, so they can be evaluated and see what work needs to be done.

Board Member Betty Brinkley

- Commented about the 10th St Recreation Center and moving the kids to the Boys and Girls club.
- Requested clarification on the Brightline stops.
- Shared her disappointment about the taxes going up.

Chair James

- Requested that all the concerns that were brought up be put into an agenda and have

action taken on them.

- Asked Ms. Gandhi-Savdas to keep an allocation of funds for projects to be done on residents' homes.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

### **2. PRESENTATION OF THE EAST STUART PUBLIC ART MASTERPLAN**

Ms. Gandhi-Savdas presented the master plan, takeaways, East Stuart public art, the value of public art, the plan, principles, assessment measures and criteria, curatorial themes, first steps, Guy Davis entrance sculpture, pioneer mosaics, sports walk-of-fame, women's mural, educators hand, resilience and entrepreneurship, and the next step.

Board Member Albert Brinkley shared the cleaner's building and believes it should be recognized.

Board Member Betty Brinkley asked what was being put in the park for the young people aside from the historical components.

Ms. Gandhi-Savdas explained all that was going to be in the park.

Board Member Harvey stated that this was the last meeting of the year and wanted to know when they would meet to pick the building for historical recognition.

Discussion continued between the Board, City Attorney, and Ms. Gandhi-Savdas.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

1. James Christie - Stuart; Commended the work the Board and the City are doing and stated that the Willie Gary property is a historical building.

**3:54 PM MOTION: Have a special meeting within the next 30 days.**

**MOVED BY: Philip Harvey**

**SECONDED BY: Albert Brinkley**

**Motion approved unanimously.**

## **STAFF UPDATE**

## **ADJOURNMENT**

4:01 PM

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**Susej T. Meleqi, Board Secretary**

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**Faye James, Chair**

**Minutes to be approved at the ESHC  
Meeting this 22nd day of October, 2024.**