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**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA  
OFFICE OF THE COUNTY MANAGER  
AGENDA ITEM COVER SHEET**

**DATE:** 5/28/2020

**MEETING DATE:** 6/16/2020

**TO:** Jeff Cole, County Manager

**ITEM TYPE:** Public Hearing

**THRU:**

**ITEM ID:** 11169

**BY:** Tim McClendon,

**SUBJECT:** Public Hearing of the Mt. Plymouth-Sorrento Community Redevelopment Agency Board

**RECOMMENDATION/REQUIRED ACTION:**

Request approval to adopt the Mt. Plymouth-Sorrento Community Redevelopment Agency's Fiscal Year 2021 Budget and corresponding resolution in a Public Hearing.

**BACKGROUND SUMMARY:**

Fiscal Impact: \$146,144.00 (revenue / expenditure - Mt Plymouth / Sorrento CRA Trust)

Account No.:

Advertised Date:

Paper:

Attachments:

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| 1. | CRA Board Meeting Agenda             |
| 2. | August 27, 2019, CRA Regular Meeting |
| 3. | Resolution and Budget                |

**STAFF APPROVALS AND DATES:**

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|-------------------|-------------------------------|
| Tim McClendon     | Created/Initiated - 5/28/2020 |
| Debi Dyer         | Approved - 5/29/2020          |
| Marellys Moreno   | Approved - 6/1/2020           |
| John Molenda      | Approved - 6/1/2020           |
| Brian Jaruszewski | Approved - 6/3/2020           |
| Jennifer Barker   | Approved - 6/3/2020           |
| Melanie Marsh     | Approved - 6/3/2020           |
| Angela Harrold    | Final Approval - 6/3/2020     |

**ACTION TAKEN BY BOARD:**

Action: New

Continued/Deferred Until:

Other:



**MT. PLYMOUTH-SORRENTO COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT  
AREA (CRA) AGENCY BOARD MEETING**

**June 16, 2020 - 9:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter**

**Lake County Administration Building, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Rotunda, Board Chambers**

**315 W. Main St., Tavares, FL 32778**

- I. Call to Order
- II. Public Comment
- III. Approval of Meeting Minutes of August 27, 2019
- IV. Introduction
- V. Presentation of CRA Budget
- VI. Approval of CRA Budget Resolution
- VII. Adjourn

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

AUGUST 27, 2019

The Mt. Plymouth-Sorrento Community Redevelopment Agency met in regular session on Tuesday, August 27, 2019 at 12:33 p.m., in the Board of County Commissioners' Meeting Room, Lake County Administration Building, Tavares, Florida. Commissioners present at the meeting were: Leslie Campione, Chairman; Wendy Breeden, Vice Chairman; Timothy I. Sullivan; Sean Parks; and Josh Blake. Others present were: Jeff Cole, County Manager; Melanie Marsh, County Attorney; Niki Booth, Executive Office Manager, County Manager's Office; Gary J. Cooney, Clerk of the Circuit Court and Comptroller; Kristy Mullane, Chief Financial Officer; and Josh Pearson, Deputy Clerk.

MINUTES APPROVAL

Ms. Michele Janiszewski, Chief Planner for the Office of Planning and Zoning, displayed the advertisements for that day's meeting and said that the first item was the approval of the April 23, 2019 minutes.

On a motion by Commr. Blake, seconded by Commr. Breeden, and carried unanimously by a vote of 5-0, the Mt. Plymouth-Sorrento Community Redevelopment Agency approved the minutes of April 23, 2019.

PRESENTATION OF CRA BUDGET

Ms. Janiszewski relayed that since Mr. Sam Weekley, former Community Redevelopment Area (CRA) Coordinator, left the County in April 2019, they had hired Ms. Marellys Moreno as the new CRA coordinator. She said that Ms. Moreno had previously worked with the Lake County Office of Housing and Human Services, along with working on the Mt. Plymouth-Sorrento CRA master plan study with the University of Central Florida (UCF).

Ms. Moreno presented the proposed budget for fiscal year (FY) 2020 for the Mt. Plymouth-Sorrento Community Redevelopment Agency. She explained that the proposed budget for FY 2020 contained information about the fund balance and revenue projections, along with a briefing of the revenues and expenditures. She remarked that the Community Redevelopment Agency was funded through tax incremental revenues and that properties within the CRA boundary did not pay any additional property taxes; rather, a portion of the taxes collected within the area were then transferred to the Community Redevelopment Agency for redevelopment activities. She mentioned that the tax rate was fixed in the base year and that any increase in taxable value in excess of the base year was dedicated to the trust fund. She displayed a chart of revenues and noted that the solid line corresponded to the actual revenue, while the dotted line corresponded to the projected revenue. She related that between FY 2018 and FY 2019, the Community Redevelopment Agency trust fund received a 57 percent increase in revenue and was expected to increase again for FY 2020 by 53 percent. She said that the Community Redevelopment Agency trust fund revenue had increased each year since its establishment and was expected to continue increasing. She showed a slide with the Community Redevelopment Agency trust fund total revenues and expenditures for FY 2020, which each equaled \$140,194. She mentioned that continued increases in revenues would allow the Community Redevelopment Agency to issue

more grants, assist with infrastructure enhancements, and improve the community health within the CRA. She elaborated that some of the projects highlighted for the following year included the logo and gateway design for the CRA, and this was included in the CRA capital improvements program. She added that the CRA was planning to incentivize more applications for the façade improvements program. She elaborated that there was over \$31,000 in grants and aids which could be used for façade improvements in the proposed budget. She stated that the main goal of the Community Redevelopment Agency was to provide opportunities and support for current and future business owners, and the continued increase in total revenues allowed the provision of resources for local business owners seeking to enhance their street appeal. She then requested approval of the FY 2020 proposed budget and resolution for the Mt. Plymouth-Sorrento CRA.

Commr. Campione relayed that the Mt. Plymouth-Sorrento Community Redevelopment Advisory Committee was excited about the possibility of being able to develop some gateway signage and were in the beginning stages of designing a possible logo. She added that they were also interested in additional matching grants for façade improvements including signage for businesses, possibly with a common theme.

On a motion by Commr. Breeden, seconded by Commr. Parks and carried unanimously by a vote of 5-0, the Mt. Plymouth-Sorrento Community Redevelopment Agency approved the proposed FY 2020 Mt. Plymouth-Sorrento CRA budget and Resolution 2019-1.

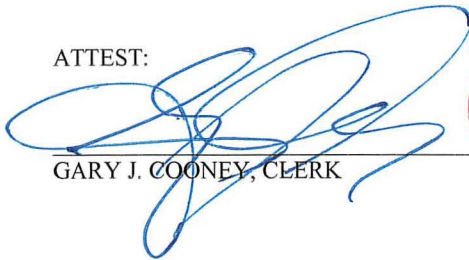
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to be brought to the attention of the Mt. Plymouth-Sorrento Community Redevelopment Agency, the meeting was adjourned at 12:39 p.m.



LESLIE CAMPIONE, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:



GARY J. COONEY, CLERK



**A RESOLUTION OF THE MT. PLYMOUTH-SORRENTO COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, ADOPTING AN ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021, PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF CHAPTER 163, FLORIDA STATUTES; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**WHEREAS**, the Mt. Plymouth-Sorrento Community Redevelopment Agency (the "Mt. Plymouth-Sorrento CRA") was created in accordance with Chapter 163 of the Florida Statutes; and

**WHEREAS**, the Lake County Board of County Commissioners serves as the governing body of the Mt. Plymouth-Sorrento CRA; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed annual fiscal year 2020-2021 budget of the Mt. Plymouth-Sorrento CRA has been prepared and presented in accordance with general accepted accounting principles and is contained within the general budget of Lake County, Florida; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed annual fiscal year 2020-2021 budget for the Mt. Plymouth-Sorrento CRA reflects a balanced budget in that the total amount available from taxation and other sources, including amounts carried over from prior fiscal years, equals the total of appropriations for expenditures and reserves; and

**WHEREAS**, Chapter 189, Florida Statutes, requires that the governing body of each special district adopt a budget by resolution each fiscal year and the Mt. Plymouth-Sorrento CRA is a special district as defined in Chapter 189, Florida Statutes.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** by the Mt. Plymouth-Sorrento Community Redevelopment Agency:

**Section 1.** The Mt. Plymouth-Sorrento Community Redevelopment Agency adopts this resolution to approve and adopt the annual fiscal year 2020-2021 budget for the Mt. Plymouth-Sorrento Community Redevelopment Agency as presented and contained within the proposed general budget of Lake County, Florida, for fiscal year 2020-2021.

**Section 2.** This Resolution shall take effect upon adoption.

RESOLUTION ADOPTING AN ANNUAL BUDGET FOR MT. PLYMOUTH-SORRENTO CRA  
FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-2021.

PASSED AND ADOPTED this 16 day of June, 2020.

MT. PLYMOUTH-SORRENTO CRA  
LAKE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Leslie Campione  
Leslie Campione, Chairman

This 19<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2020.

ATTEST:

[Signature]  
Gary J. Cooney, Clerk of the Board of County  
Commissioners of Lake County, Florida



Approved as to form and legality:

Melanie Marsh  
Melanie Marsh  
County Attorney