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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a **Regular Meeting** of the **Newtown Community Redevelopment Agency Advisory Board** is scheduled for **Wednesday, September 10, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. at R.L. Taylor Community Center, 1845 John Rivers Street, Sarasota, FL 34234**. This notice is hereby provided as set forth in the Zoning Code and Rules of Procedure adopted by the Newtown Community Redevelopment Agency Advisory Board.

If a person decides to appeal any decision made by the board, agency, or commission with respect to any matter considered at such meeting or hearing, he or she will need a record of the proceedings, and for such purpose, he or she may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.

Wayne Applebee
Economic Development Manager

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Alexandra Chau, Chair
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cc: David Bullock, Interim City Manager
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Notice to the Public

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In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and Section 286.26, Florida Statutes, persons with disabilities needing special accommodation to participate in a meeting should contact the ADA Coordinator at (941) 263-6299 at least two business days prior to the date of the meeting as to the nature of the auxiliary aids and/or service necessary.

Every effort will be made to provide such aid or service to the extent that they are reasonable, do not result in undue financial or administrative burden, and do not alter the fundamental nature of the meeting. Consideration will be given to the individual's preferred aid or service. However, alternatives may be provided if in the City's determination such alternatives provide an effective means of communication. For the benefit of individuals utilizing hearing aids with a T-coil, the City Commission Chambers and SRQ Media Studio are outfitted with a Hearing Induction Loop for enhanced hearing assistance.

Proceedings will be electronically recorded. Should an individual feel that a verbatim transcription of the proceedings may later be needed, said individual has the burden and expense of arranging for same. Copies of the electronic recording may be purchased from the Office of the City Auditor and Clerk.

Shayla Griggs
City Auditor and Clerk



Newtown CRA Advisory Board Regular Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, September 10th, 2025, Time: 5:00 p.m. (New Date & Time)

R.L. Taylor Community Center, 1845 John Rivers Street, Sarasota, FL 34234 (New Location)

I. Call Meeting to Order

A. Pledge of Allegiance

B. Pledge of Conduct – Chair Chau

We may disagree, but we will be respectful to one another. We will direct all comments to issues. We will not engage in personal attacks.

C. Newtown CRA Advisory Board Mission Statement (See reverse side)

II. Roll Call & Board Attendance

III. Changes to the Order of the Day

IV. Approval of Draft Minutes from Regular Meeting of July 10, 2025.

V. **Citizen's Input** - Citizens may address the Board on topics **NOT** on the Agenda. Questions and answers are not permitted by the Board during this period A "Request to Speak Form" must be submitted to Staff prior to speaking. Three (3) minutes time limit per speaker and Fifteen (15) minutes maximum time for all public input per meeting. **Note:** *Should a citizen(s) have concerns regarding a topic on the agenda, they **MUST** wait until the end of the presentation, complete a "Request to Speak" form and then provide their input on said topic, at which time the board or presenter may address the citizen's concern.*

VI. Presentations – Financial Administration Update

VII. Unfinished Business

A. Newtown Marketing: Celebration Event Update

B. Sarasota Alliance for Historic Preservation – Home Loan Program

C. Dr. MLK Jr. Way Redevelopment Projects

i. Scoring Matrix Review

ii. Project List Updates

iii. Margo Ventures Presentation

iv. Sylvia's Silvercoin Laundromat Presentation

VIII. New Business

IX. Board/Member Reports

A. Chair's Board Report Update

B. Community Organization Reports – as needed

C. Other

X. Staff Report

A. Marian Anderson Site Update

B. Homefront Beautification Program Update

C. New Meeting Date for November Meeting

D. Agenda Items for November Meeting

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XII. Adjournment

Next REGULAR Advisory Board Meeting TBD.