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NEWSLETTER

Greater Frenchtown/Southside & Downtown Districts

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COFFEE & CONNECTIONS

The Tallahassee CRA hosts a monthly “Coffee and Connections”. Join us on the first Wednesday of the month, at a different location in our districts, for free coffee and a donut. This is an opportunity to meet with staff and other members of the community. Come learn about funding opportunities through the Tallahassee CRA and share ideas! Check our website and other social media for our 2024 dates and locations!

Thank you to all that have attended the 2023 Coffee & Connections (10/04/23 participants pictured)!

Join us for our final 2023 event at 10 AM on December 6, 2023, at the Bond Community Linear Park, 1914 Saxon St, Tallahassee, FL 32310 (between Holton and Saxon Street).



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WORKING TOGETHER TOWARD COMMUNITY GOALS

GREATER FRENCHTOWN/SOUTHSIDE (GFS)

Art on Fire was envisioned by Team 4 of the 2022 City of Tallahassee's New Public Servant Initiative Program. Funding was provided by the CRA and KCCI implemented the project. Thank you to the



City of Tallahassee Fire Department for your participation and support! This project promotes city beautification and fire safety. There are currently 4 hydrants painted in Railroad Square, and one outside Pineview Elementary.

Columbia Gardens Phase III Funding

Tuesday, June 13, 2023, the CRA Board voted unanimously to approve a funding commitment of \$1 million for Phase III (Senior Housing) of the Orange Avenue Apartments Redevelopment Project (now Columbia Gardens) and authorized the CRA Executive Director to transfer the funds to the City of Tallahassee's Affordable Housing Trust Fund.



Magnolia Oaks Ribbon Cutting

The Magnolia Oaks Ribbon Cutting Ceremony took place on September 12, 2023. The CRA Vice Chair, Mayor Dailey did the honors with the support of CRA Chair Dianne Williams-Cox and CRA Board Member Curtis Richardson. July 01, 2021, the CRA Board approved \$500,000 for McDowell Housing Partners, Magnolia Oaks, LLC to build a 110-unit affordable housing development. The location is 825 E Magnolia Dr.



DOWNTOWN DISTRICT (DT)

Amicus Brewing Ventures Ribbon Cutting

The Amicus Brewing Ventures Ribbon Cutting Ceremony took place on October 20, 2023. February 24, 2022, Short Hike, LLC dba Amicus Brewing Ventures was approved unanimously by the CRA Board to receive \$297,220 of CRA Medium and Large Redevelopment Funds. The funds were used to convert the Old City Waterworks building at 717 S Gadsden St into a family-friendly brewery. The CRA Board also approved \$64,652 in funding on February 23, 2023, to address unanticipated water connection issues.



4Forty North Extension

Thursday, October 12, 2023, the CRA Board authorized the CRA Executive Director to execute an amendment to the 4Forty North agreement extending the completion date from December 31, 2023, to June 30, 2024.



New Downtown Redevelopment Commission (DRC) Members

We are delighted to announce that CRA Board Chair Dianne Williams-Cox appointed two new Downtown Redevelopment Commission (DRC) Members. Please join us as we welcome Dr. Kelley Bolden Bailey and Mr. E. Slaton Murray.

Welcome!



UPDATES AND UPCOMING

2024 CRA Board, DRC, GFS CAC, and Coffee & Connections Meeting Dates

COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (CRA) BOARD

City Commission Chambers, City Hall - 300 South Adams Street, 2nd floor
 Most meetings begin @ 9:30 AM (8/22/2024 @ 3:00 PM)

| Meeting Dates | Submittal Deadlines |
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| Thursday, 01/18 2024 - 10:30 AM | Thursday, 12/07/2023 |
| Thursday, 03/28/2024 - 9:30 AM | Thursday, 02/15/2024 |
| Thursday, 05/23/2024 – 9:30 AM | Thursday, 04/11/2024 |
| Thursday, 08/22/2024 - 3:00 PM, Budget @ 5:00 PM | Thursday, 07/11/2024 |
| Thursday, 10/17/2024 – 9:30 AM | Thursday, 09/05/2024 |

DOWNTOWN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (DRC)

Renaissance Community Center - Growth Management Conference Room
 435 N Macomb St, 1st floor, thru doors to CRA Suite - Meetings begin @ 9:00 AM

| Meeting Dates | Submittal Deadlines |
|---------------------|----------------------|
| Tuesday, 02/06/2024 | Thursday, 12/28/2023 |
| Tuesday, 05/07/2024 | Thursday, 03/28/2024 |
| Tuesday 08/06/2024 | Thursday, 06/27/2024 |
| Tuesday, 11/12/2024 | Thursday, 10/03/2024 |

GREATER FRENCHTOWN SOUTHSIDE CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE (GFS CAC)

Smith-Williams Service Center - 2295 Pasco St, Annex B - Meetings begin @ 6:00 PM

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| Monday, 02/12/2024 | Thursday, 01/04/2024 |
| Monday, 04/08/2024 | Thursday, 02/29/2024 |
| Monday, 06/10/2024 | Thursday, 05/02/2024 |
| Monday, 09/09/2024 | Thursday, 08/01/2024 |
| Monday, 11/18/2024 | Thursday, 10/10/2024 |

COFFEE & CONNECTIONS

The Challenger Learning Center @ 200 S Duval St will be providing us space inside for January, February, and March. Thank you!

Event begins @ 8:00 AM for all dates

Locations after March are still pending – Stay Tuned!

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| 01/03/2024 | 04/03/2024 | 07/03/2024 | 10/02/2024 |
| 02/07/2024 | 05/01/2024 | 08/07/2024 | 11/06/2024 |
| 03/06/2024 | 06/05/2024 | 09/04/2024 | 12/04/2024 |



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