

# COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY BOARD

**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**September 12, 2018**

## MINUTES

**Present:**

Arlene Schwartz  
Lesa Peerman  
Joanne Simone  
Anthony Caggiano, Vice Chair  
Tommy Ruzzano, Chair

**Also Present:**

Samuel A. May, Executive Director  
Ian Singer, Cherof, Doody & Ezrol, P.A.  
Michael Burke, Johnson, Anselmo, Murdoch, Burke, Piper,  
Hochman, P.A.  
Joseph Kavanagh, City Clerk

The special meeting of the Margate Community Redevelopment Agency having been properly noticed was called to order at 6:10 p.m., on Wednesday, September 12, 2018, by Chair Tommy Ruzzano. There was a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Ian Singer, Assistant CRA Attorney, advised that the Notice of Meeting incorrectly read that Attorney James Cherof would be present at the meeting rather than D.J. Doody, and that he was there on behalf of Attorney Doody.

Attorney Singer explained that a special MCRA Attorney-Client session meeting was being opened and would be adjourned and held behind closed doors pursuant to Section 286.011 F.S. He proceeded to read the Notice of a Special Margate Community Redevelopment Agency Meeting into the record. He stated that the purpose of the session was to discuss pending litigation Case No. CACE 18-004869 (13) between New Urban Communities, LLC, and the Margate Community Redevelopment Agency.

Roll call was taken and the special meeting was closed at 6:14 p.m. by Chair Ruzzano.

The closed session convened in Conference Room 1 at Margate City Hall, 5790 Margate Boulevard, Margate, Florida. In attendance were the five MCRA Board members; Assistant Attorney Ian Singer in place of D.J. Doody; Special Counsel Michael Burke, Esquire; Executive Director Sam May; and a certified court reporter.

Attorney Singer advised that the shade session had finished and deferred to Chair Ruzzano to close the special meeting. Chair Ruzzano adjourned the special meeting at 7:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Transcribed by Rita Rodi, CRA Coordinator

Tommy Ruzzano, Chair