

RESOLUTION NO. R-03-244

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA, RELATING TO COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT; MAKING FINDINGS; FINDING OF NEED FOR ADVISORY BOARD; CREATING ADVISORY BOARD FOR SOUTH COUNTY COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AREA; PROVIDING FOR FUNCTIONS AND DUTIES; PROVIDING FOR COMPOSITION OF ADVISORY BOARD; PROVIDING FOR QUALIFICATIONS AND PROCEDURES; PROVIDING FOR TERMS; PROVIDING FOR VACANCIES; PROVIDING FOR ATTENDANCE AND REMOVAL; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. R-02-313 adopted on December 3, 2002, the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, found that the conditions in an area of unincorporated Manatee County known as South County meet the criteria described in Section 163.340(8), Florida Statutes, as amended, that a blighted area exists within unincorporated Manatee County, and that the rehabilitation, conservation, or redevelopment, or a combination thereof, of such area is necessary in the interest of the public health, safety, morals, or welfare of the residents of Manatee County; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. R-02-313 adopted on December 3, 2002, the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, found that there is a need for a community redevelopment agency to function in Manatee County to carry out the community redevelopment purposes of Chapter 163, Part III, Florida Statutes, as amended (the "Redevelopment Act"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Resolution No. R-02-317 adopted on December 3, 2002, the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, declared itself to be the community redevelopment agency of the community redevelopment area for South County; and

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WHEREAS, pursuant to Ordinance No. 02-68 enacted on December 17, 2002, the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, approved and adopted a community redevelopment plan (the "Redevelopment Plan") for South County community redevelopment area; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida (the "Board"), has determined it is in the best interest of the Manatee County Community Redevelopment Agency (the "Agency") and the residents of the County that an advisory board be created for South County community redevelopment area (the "Redevelopment Area").

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA:

Section 1. Findings. The recitals set forth above are hereby adopted by the Board as findings and incorporated herein.

Section 2. Finding of Need for Advisory Board. The Board does hereby find that there is a present need for an advisory board to assist the Agency with the redevelopment of the Redevelopment Area.

Section 3. Creation of Advisory Board. There is hereby created and established the South County Community Redevelopment Area Advisory Board (the "Advisory Board").

Section 4. Functions and Duties.

a. Advisory Functions. The Advisory Board is intended to be the primary source of community input to the Agency with respect to the Redevelopment Area. The Advisory Board functions are advisory only and are to assist with public input in the local

redevelopment planning process.

b. Duties. The purpose and duties of the Advisory Board shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

- (1) To consider and make recommendations to the Agency concerning the Redevelopment Plan and amendments to the Redevelopment Plan;
- (2) To review the proposed annual work program for the Redevelopment Area, make recommendations to the Agency concerning such program and its implementation, and recommend project priorities to the Agency;
- (3) To recommend incentives to further the redevelopment efforts in the Redevelopment Area and carry out and effectuate the purposes and provisions of the Redevelopment Act;
- (4) To consider any matters referred to the Advisory Board by the Agency; and
- (5) To receive comments from members of the public interested in redevelopment of the Redevelopment Area and report such information to the Agency.

Section 5. Composition. The Advisory Board shall consist of a minimum of five (5) and a maximum of fifteen (15) members who shall be appointed by the Board. To the extent possible, all members of the Advisory Board shall reside, work or own property within the boundaries of the Redevelopment Area and have demonstrated knowledge of the Redevelopment Area and the forces affecting the Redevelopment Area. The following are examples of the variety of interests which should ideally be represented on the Advisory Board:

- a. Property owners and/or residents;
- b. Merchants and business owners;
- c. Workforce development;
- d. Development community (i.e., developers, architects, planners, engineers);
- e. Human services;
- f. Arts community;
- g. Faith/religious community;
- h. Law enforcement;
- i. Real estate;
- j. Latin/Hispanic community; and
- k. Manatee County School District.

Section 6. Qualifications and Procedures. Applicants must be residents of Manatee County or engaged in a business or profession in the County. An individual serving as a member of the Advisory Board shall not serve on any other County board or committee at the same time. Individuals interested in applying to serve on the Advisory Board must submit an application to the Board. Applications will be considered and acted upon in accordance with the County policy for appointments to County boards and committees.

Section 7. Terms. Advisory Board members shall serve for three (3) year terms; however, for purposes of staggering reappointments, one-third (1/3) of the initial members will be appointed for one (1) year terms, one-third (1/3) of the initial members will be appointed for two (2) year terms, and the remaining initial members will be appointed for

three (3) year terms.

Section 8. Vacancies. Vacancies occurring on the Advisory Board shall be publicized, but need not be advertised, in a publication of general circulation within the Redevelopment Area. Appointments to fill vacancies on the Advisory Board shall be filled by the Board after an interested individual has completed an application for the Advisory Board. The term of an Advisory Board member appointed to fill a vacancy expires at the time the term of the original member would have expired.

Section 9. Attendance and Removal. It is the intent and strong desire of the Board that there be full attendance of Advisory Board members at all meetings of the Advisory Board, recognizing, however, that it may be necessary for Advisory Board members to be absent from a meeting due to unusual or emergency circumstances. Advisory Board members may be suspended and removed for cause by the Board.

Section 10. Effective Date. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Board of County Commissioners of Manatee County, Florida, with a quorum present and voting, on the 18th day of November, 2003.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF MANATEE COUNTY, FLORIDA



By: [Signature]
Chairman

ATTEST: R. B. Shore
Clerk of the Circuit Court

By: [Signature]