

MINUTES

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ALLIANCE

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

October 7, 2025

5:30 – 7:30 PM

Board Attending: T. Scott, A. Mitcham, K. Higgins, D. Smith, J. Hines, L. Crump, A. Rodriguez, A. Brennan, T. Bond, A. Spencer

Board Excused: T. Rivera

Staff Attending: Teig Whaley-Smith, CAE

- I. Resident Council Update (5 min)
- II. Chief Alliance Executive Update (45 min)
- III. Approval of [Adrian Spencer](#) as Board Member (referral from RON)
Motion: Crump, 2nd: Rodriguez, (10-0)
- IV. Effective Communication and Governance (60 Min)
Themes and ideas discussed were:
 - *A Technical Committee to bring in more voices, and also for Board Members to attend that are not part of a committee operated by CDA*
 - *Quarterly Dashboard and Talking Points for all board and committee members*
 - *RON connection can be strengthened with communication, but also Policy committee may allow for a deeper connection with aligned neighborhood organizations.*
 - *Balancing ideal structure with practical capacity issues of both staff and volunteer board and committee members.*
 - *Preview of major decisions in 2026: (a) how does CDA effectively tap into donor advised funds, and (b) what role, if any, does CDA have in rent-to-own tax credit conversions.*
- V. Consent Agenda (5 min)
 - a. Approval of June 2024 Minutes
 - b. Approval of Q3 Statement of Financial Position
 - c. Adjourn

Motion: Brennan, 2nd: Crump (7-0-2)(Bond & Spencer)