

LCRA Focus Group Meeting Notes: African American Heritage and Long-Term Residents
Date: Thursday, March 9, 2017
Location: St. Paul AME Church, 85 MLK Ave.
Time: 6pm-8pm

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1. How do African America shape Lincolnville
 - a. Lincolnville is also know as little Africa
 - b. Dark complexion individual occupy territory
 - c. Lincolnville holds lot of history

2. What are the important characteristics of history
 - a. We were like one huge family
 - b. Loss community, neighbors etc.
 - c. Resources to keep up property
 - d. Resources and the need to employee African American, to Provide jobs to stay in ours home.
 - e. Can we identify a way CRA funds can be used to assist with keeping historic home?
 - f. Land Trust
 - g. Board appointed pressure through leadership

1. African American focus group
 - a. Not exclusive from one to the other to hear various opinion. All must intermingle.
 - b. Is there more importance from people vs. build-up
 - i. Both needs to be addressed

2. What would you like to see?
 - a. Business back in the community (Property Taxes)
 - b. Mentioned some our homes (Bob) portability.
 - c. Where do you see St. Augustine in 10 years
 - i. All we see is tourism
 - d. Acknowledge the decline in diversity
 - i. 1950 vs. now23%
 - e. Look at CRA as an option to bring back diversity.
 - i. Priced out based on value
 - ii. 2nd/3rd generation didn't want to live there
 - iii. Need to look at options for affordable housing
 - iv. Community is concerned about having affordable housing1.

1. What are the 3 most critical concerns regarding Lincolnville
 - a. Land Trust
 - b. Program to save homes
 - c. Create uniformity in new construction