

Minutes of RDA Board Meeting

Date: Wednesday, April 11, 2018

Time: 5:30 p.m.

Location: CitySide Apartments, 700 Cocoanut Ave, Sarasota, FL

Attendees Present:

Andy Bailey, Michael Bush, Howard Davis, Michael Donahue, Bille Lindsay, Richard Mones, Julia Sawyer and Samantha Wuerfel

Absent: Jude Levy

Agenda:

1. Announcement: Due to a personal health reason, Jude Levy was absent.
2. Brief update on our neighborhood/city zoning working group
3. Brief report on updates to our website
4. Set agenda for our next community meeting - April 25
5. Other topics
6. Set Time/Date for next board meeting

Proceedings:

1. Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Howard Davis
2. Update on our neighborhood/city zoning working group
 - The board will be having a meeting with Sasaki, on Thursday, April 19 from 9-10 a.m, to establish a better relationship moving forward with development of the Bay
 - We discussed approaching the Sasaki team with 3 proposals
 1. The need for connectivity - Rosemary District to the Bay
 2. Complement/reinforce one another
 3. Formally integrate Rosemary planning into planning for the Bay
 - The zoning group continues to meet with the City of Sarasota, developing proposed zoning changes for the Rosemary District
 - The zoning working group is exploring examples of similar neighborhoods in other cities that have experienced great success, ex. Saint Petersburg, FL and Greenville, SC
3. Michael Donahue and Samantha Wuerfel have been granted access and control to website, www.rosemarydistrictplanning.com, to make updates and create a better platform for communication with the community and its members

4. Agenda for community meeting - Wednesday, April 25 from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. at 12 Springs Church
 - Greetings and introduction of board and new officers, Howard (5 min.)
 - Update on The Bay, Richard (5 min.)
 - Update on Rosemary Sunset Market, Julia (5 min.)
 - Our new RDA committees
 - Each committee and lead board member will be introduced, sign up sheets will then be available
 - Committees should meet within a month, Howard would like to try and attend most of the first meetings, during which committee chairs should be selected
 - During first meeting, 3 to 6 tasks/initiatives should be created that can be achieved within a year
 - At the July community meeting, each committee will report on progress to the community
 - Apply how committees support and address the 9 guiding principles based on the Rosemary District planning data
 - Update on the City of Sarasota/Rosemary District Zoning Working Group
5. Captain Andy Bailey provided a brief update on changes being made at Salvation Army
 - Some services are being cut to reduce homelessness, trying to move people
 - Working more with police and warranted searches
 - Supporting "Street Team," funded by the city, 2 times per week, workers picking up trash in the neighborhood
 - Board discussed having a future meeting at Salvation Army to become more acquainted with the programs
6. Next Board Meeting: To be held at Cityside, May 8 at 5:30 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

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