

**BAYFRONT ADVISORY COMMISSION
APPROVED MINUTES
July 15, 2021
Ocean Park Fire and Rescue**

BAC MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chair Phil Davenport, Vice-Chair Bob Magoon, Wally Damon, Bill Hearst, Stacey Shiflet, Charles Guthrie, Morgan Ayers, Martin Thomas,

STAFF PRESENT:

Mark Shea – Planning, Kay Wilson – City Attorney, Rod Ingram – City Attorney, Erin Walker – Housing and Neighborhood Preservation

OTHERS PRESENT:

Todd Solomon – SDCC, Empsy Munden – Cape Story by the Sea, Tim Solanic – SDCC, Daniel Murphy – Ocean Park

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Hearst made a motion to approve the June minutes, Mr. Damon seconded the motion and the motion was approved by unanimous vote.

CHAIRMAN REPORT:

Chairman Davenport stated that he was recently appointed to the Commission on Offshore Wind and Clean Energy. He then gave a general description of the project located 27 miles offshore and consisting of 180 win turbines. This project will create enough energy to power 660,000 homes and will create 1000 new jobs. He also briefly described the “Windsday” public information campaign.

STAFF REPORTS:

- Mr. Shea mentioned that Marlin Bay Apts. will be continued until the September Planning Commission agenda.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Design: Vice-Chair Magoon thanked everyone for their efforts regarding discussion of the

Design by Eleni application at the June meeting. He indicated that it would be helpful if the Design Committee comments be shared with future applicants, in addition to the BAC, prior to the review meeting. That should help facilitate review at the initial meeting.

Transportation/Infrastructure: Mr. Thomas agreed to chair this committee

PRESENTATIONS:

Mr. Ingram gave a presentation regarding the BAC policy for remote participation. He mentioned that it could be accomplished by Webex, Zoom or even speaker phone. He emphasized that the two categories of participation are for person medical requirement or two personal days a year when members are unable to attend for other reasons. Mr. Shea will have to be notified well in advance to make sure the accommodations are available.

After brief discussion, Mr. Thomas made a motion to approve the policy for remote participation. Mr. Damon seconded the motion and the motion was approved by unanimous vote. (See attachment to the minutes).

The second presentation was given by Ms. Walker, from the Department of Housing and Neighborhood Services regarding homeless services. (see attachment to the minutes)

OLD BUSINESS: Mr. Damon mentioned that he was not in favor of the off-shore wind project.

NEW BUSINESS: Ms. Shiflet would like to organize a trip to see the off-shore wind facilities.

Mr. Shea reminded the Commission that the City Council Voting District Plan will be discussed in August and the STIR office will conduct the strategic planning workshop in September.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

- Ms. Munden expressed concern that short term rental regulations were left unresolved. Ms. Wilson reviewed the key elements approved by City Council and mentioned the elements that were postponed until September.
- Mr. Solanic expressed concern with new Virginia Beach Works app for calling in service complaints. He indicated that the new education facility at Brock Center is outstanding and BAC should tour.
- Mr. Murphy thanked city staff for recent activity regarding sand replenishment.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:45