

BAYFRONT ADVISORY COMMISSION
APPROVED MEETING SUMMARY
March 15, 2018
VIRGINIA BEACH RESORT HOTEL &
CONFERENCE CENTER

REGULAR MEETING:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairman Kal Kassir, Gee Faison, Wally Damon, Faith Christie, Joe Miller, Martin Thomas, Joe Bovee, Mercedes Holland (Navy), Bruce Widener (FLSP)

STAFF/CONSULTANTS PRESENT:

Kay Wilson – City Attorney’s Office; Mark Shea – Planning Department; Mike Mundy – Public Works, Bradley Vanderwalker – Public Works, Glenn Bottomley –WSP USA, Thomas Gay – WSP USA

OTHERS PRESENT:

Denise Bowman Scott, Trish Rozanski – Bay Breeze Villas Condo, Grace Moran – Ocean Park, Jeff Holste – Harbor View, Robyn Bailey – Chesapeake Beach, Empsy Munden – Cape Story by the Sea,

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Mr. Damon made a motion to approve the minutes, Mr. Faison seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

CHAIRMAN REPORT:

Chairman Kassir called the meeting to order. He provided his thoughts regarding attendance at one of the recent sea level rise meetings conducted by Public Works. He also briefly discussed his attendance at the recent meeting regarding marketing and planned operation for next seasons Bayfront Shuttle. He provided BAC with the good news that some design money has been allocated for Phase IV of Shore Drive. The estimated date to start construction is now for 2023. He also mentioned that Dave Jarman from Public Works made an excellent Shore Drive presentation to City Council and that he has been invited to present to BAC next month.

STAFF REPORTS:

Mr. Shea gave a quick summary of the Bayfront Shuttle meeting since Mr. Malbon was not in attendance to cover with his committee. Key operational changes in the shuttle should include:

- Going from 45 to 30 minute headway make the route user friendly.
- Extension of the to the Pleasure House Road transfer station on the northwest end to Rudee Loop on the southeast end. The route would still stop at the Arctic and 19th Transfer station but would follow Pacific Avenue instead of Atlantic Avenue in the resort area to save the route time.
- In order to make the route extensions and increased headway, the City will need to budget for an additional bus on the route.

Ms. Wilson gave a summary regarding the three alternative ordinances for short term rentals as follows. All alternatives allow home sharing as a permitted use (permanent residence and present during rental). The first alternative has an overlay for those areas where short term rentals are allowed, the second alternative grandfathers those short term rentals that have paid taxes since 1/1/18, and the third alternative allows short term rentals everywhere. The alternative (from Planning Commission) makes a distinction between home sharing and short term rental and the only requirement for home sharing would be to pay tax. Short term rentals would be required to meet all applicable conditions have a use permit.

Ms. Wilson then explained that the General Assembly is in the process of passing legislation that would exempt Sandbridge from the use permit process. Currently, 1817 home sharing/short term rentals have registered within the city and approximately 900 are in Sandbridge.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Design – No updates

Communication – No updates

Infrastructure – No updates

COMMUNITY COMMENTS:

Ms. Holland announced that the Navy will be conducting its annual Sunrise service on Easter at the Memorial Cross at 6 am.

NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Bishard, from Bishard Homes gave a presentation regarding a 6 unit condominium complex located at Shore Drive and Pendleton Avenue. 4 homes would face Shore Drive and 2 would face Pendleton Avenue. He provided display boards which included elevations of the structures to include hardy plank and PVC siding, three stories in height with rear loading garages. **The Commission expressed that they had no concerns with the application.**

The Department of Public Works and its consultant provided BAC with a detailed update on the Eastern Shore Drive drainage project (the presentation boards have been posted on the BAC web page).

OLD BUSINESS:

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 5:15.