

BAYFRONT ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING  
SUMMARY  
APRIL 21, 2016  
VIRGINIA BEACH RESORT HOTEL &  
CONFERENCE CENTER

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairman Kal Kassir, Scott Ayers, Joe Bovee, Faith Christie, Wally Damon, Gee Faison, Charlie Malbon, Joe Miller, Ross Brockwell – Planning Commission Liaison

STAFF PRESENT:

Clay Bernick – Planning & Community Development Department/Environment & Sustainability Office, Kay Wilson – City Attorney’s Office, Mercedes Holland - JEB Little Creek/Fort Story Liaison, Vance Cooper - Fire Department

CALL TO ORDER:

- Chairman Kassir welcomed members and guests

CHAIRMAN’S REPORT:

- Chairman Kassir discussed the following items:
  - o Attended Lynnhaven River NOW Executive Board meeting, oyster leasing focus of discussion; VMRC report anticipated August 2016
  - o Attended April Design Committee meeting
  - o Met artist for Lesner Bridge public art; issue with Dominion Power lines obstructions; fundraising to follow
  - o Joint Expeditionary Base golf tournament May 20 at Eagle Haven
- Meeting summaries for June 19, 2014, February 18, 2016 and March 17, 2016 approved

NEW BUSINESS:

- Mike Wills provided handout of zoning enforcement issues in Ocean Park; lack of inspector follow-through assertion; Bar Harbor project drainage issues, fencing location, landscaping, trash enclosures; submitting a FOA request; Scott Ayers questioned structural integrity of retaining wall; Wally Damon noted drainage issues; advised Councilman Jones of concerns; single family home stormwater management enforcement issues, more inspectors needed; Todd Solomon noted review requested by Process Improvement Committee

CITY REPORTS & UPDATES:

- Kay Wilson discussed the following items:
  - o Bar Harbor package will be reviewed and meeting scheduled
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- Clay Bernick discussed the following items:
  - o Tattoo parlor code changes adopted by City Council; distance requirements from other uses removed; new business in Urchin Street shopping center
  - o Reviewed roster; advised City Clerk of term limits expiring for 2 Commissioners
  - o Review of draft Planning Commission agendas requested by Commission

## COMMITTEE REPORTS & UPDATES:

- Design: Joe Bovee reported the following items:
  - o Community signs content cannot be regulated based on new Supreme Court decision per Kay Wilson
  - o Scheduling of community signs meeting with City staff requested
  - o Sense of arrival project discussed; 4 poles at 5 locations; only solid color flags for now; poles to be completed by April 30; seasonal flag changes desired, will work with City Manager and City Council on future flags, will include Northampton Boulevard and Shore Drive interchange landscaping in request
  - o Award program; 5 given to date; 7 identified for future; develop guidelines for website and newsletter; post award recipients on website
  - o Shore Drive Phase 3 design plans indicate room for Phase 1 of Waterman's Walk concept; meeting to be scheduled with City staff, Committee and property owners
  - o Comprehensive Plan update; Chairman Kassir noted briefing not provided to Commission but to Shore Drive Community Coalition
  
- Communications: Scott Ayers reported the following items:
  - o Newsletter on track; new column next month requesting citizen input on corridor history; requests on potential awards; market community signs
  - o Requested staff provide Denise Scott links to agendas of Boards and Commissions
  - o Requested staff advise current planners to advise development proposal applicants to brief Commission
  
- Public Safety, Transit, Parking & Pedestrian Access: Charlie Malbon reported the following items:
  - o Bus route delayed for 2016; modification needed for stop location in First Landing State Park; Public Works developing cost estimate for stop modifications (parking island removal); campground questionnaire; Vista Circle outreach

## COMMUNITY REPORTS & UPDATES:

- Vance Cooper of the Fire Department noted this is dry season, fire vulnerability, place reminder n newsletter; no City assets at Ocean Park Fire Station; this weekend College weekend at Oceanfront
  
- Chairman Kassir noted Ocean Park Fire Station building needs work; Mike Wills noted civic league offer to renovate and improve building
  
- Grace Moran commented on the proposed HRT bus route
  
- Todd Solomon commented on the draft Comprehensive Plan; status of City Community Rating System project review and beach nourishment funding for the Bayfront area
  
- Commission discussed having Phil Roehrs provide beach nourishment update at future meeting
  
- Lake Shore Community noted there is no pedestrian access to new Lake Lawson City Park; tree removal work by power lines along Northampton Boulevard adversely affected drainage; Northampton Boulevard corridor need for noise barriers as found at federal properties

OLD BUSIENSS:

- None

PROJECT BRIEFINGS, OPEN DISCUSSION & COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:

- None

NEXT MEETINGs (TENTATIVE):

- May 19,2016 no Committee meetings at 2:00 PM; regular 3:30 PM Commission meeting at Virginia Beach Resort Hotel & Conference Center

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