

BAYFRONT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES
May 19, 2016
Virginia Beach Resort Hotel
& Conference Center

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairman Kal Kassir, Vice Chairman Scott Ayers, Joseph A. Miller, Joseph Bovee, Charles G. Faison Jr., Wally Damon, Stacey W. Shiflet, Capt. Frank E. Hughlett, Councilman James L. Wood, Mercedes Holland.

STAFF PRESENT:

None

CALL TO ORDER

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Chairman Kassir made the following reports;

- Christopher J. Wojtowicz, Lesner Bridge Project Manager, was selected Virginia Beach Rotary Club's City Employee of the Year. He was nominated by Chairman Kassir on behalf of the Bayfront Advisory Commission.
- A meeting was held with the Design Committee and several city officials concerning Waterman's Walk. Details from Committee report

NEW BUSINESS:

Bayfront Special Recognition Award – Capt. Frank E. Hughlett, USN. Mayor Will Sessoms presented the award on behalf of the BAC in recognition of his efforts during his 40 month as commander of the Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek-Fort Story to integrate the military operations into the community. Capt. Hughlett is scheduled to retire July 13

CITY REPORTS AND UPDATES:

None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Design – Joe Bovee

- Reported that the Committee met at City Hall with representatives from Public Works, Planning and Parks and Recreation and Tuck Bowie, who is developing the adjacent condo property to discuss coordinating planning for Waterman's Walk to dovetail with current and future projects in the Lynn haven Inlet area.
- Poles for the welcome banners are being installed along Shore Drive. There will be five clusters of four flags each s part of the Gateway to the City initiative. Plans are to have the poles ready and banners up by Memorial Day.

- The committee will be meeting to work on design guidelines for commercial development per the recently adopted Comprehensive Plan.

Communications – Scott Ayers

- Work is continuing on developing suggestions for community signs
- The Committee will meet May 25

Public Safety, Transit, Parking & Pedestrian Access

In the absence of committee chairman Charles Malbon, Kal Kassir reported that efforts will continue to have a Lynnhaven Inlet/Oceanfront HRT shuttle by next tourist season, recognizing that the time period will straddle two budget years. Chairman Kassir said the committee was going forward to identify and install bike racks at Bayfront public accesses. Public Works would install the racks, which will be maintained by Parks & Recreation.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Jim Brinkman of Lakes Shores Civic League reviewed efforts to get a sound-attenuation fence on Northampton Boulevard, a crosswalk to allow access to Lake Smith Park and working with Little Creek to minimize traffic cut-throughs in the neighborhood. The civic league plans to prepare a presentation for the BAC and city officials at a later date.
- Vance Cooper of the Fire Department said he would prepare an item for the newsletter on pool safety, including storage and use of chemicals.

OTHER:

Gee Faison reported that the developer of the former Baylake Pines Upper School property planned to begin demolition of the school buildings soon.

Kal Kassir noted that the Marina Shores redevelopment project is not scheduled for Planning Commission review until issues regarding a second access road to the proposed project have been resolved.

NEXT MEETING:

June 16, 2016, 3:30 p.m. Virginia Beach Resort Hotel & Conference Center