

Town of Surfside

SUSTAINABILITY & RESILIENCY COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

July 17, 2019 – 6:30 p.m.

Chief Terrill Williamson Police Training Room 9293 Harding Ave, 2nd Floor, Surfside, FL 33154

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 p.m.

The following were present: Vice Chair Clara Diaz-Leal

Deborah Cimadevilla Bertha Goldenberg Nirit Tayas Zamir

Absent: Andrea Travani, Daniel Dietch, Mayor, Town Commission Liaison

Also present: Guillermo Olmedillo, Town Manager

James Hickey, Town Planner

Sandra Lee, Director of Environmental Services (CGA)

Frank Trigueros, Marketing & Special Projects

Haydee Sera, Town Attorney Frantza Duval, Recording Clerk

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes: April 17, 2019

Committee Member Goldenberg made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion received a second from Committee Member Cimadevilla and all voted in favor.

3. Presentation by Elizabeth Wheaton, Miami Beach Director Environment & Sustainability Department

This item was removed from the agenda to be rescheduled at a later time.

Town Manager Olmedillo advised the Committee that the Surfside 305 Strategic Climate Action Plan was sent and he wanted the Committee to familiarize themselves with the information.

Town Manage Olmedillo advised the Committee of the plastic bag action that was taken by the Town Commission. He provided a history of the action taken within other cities in Miami-Dade County. Town Attorney Sera provided information on the legal proceedings on this matter and will keep the Committee updated on the outcome.

4. Recap of Dune Management Report (previously provided)

Sandra Lee wanted to follow-up with the Committee regarding any questions that they may have regarding the report. Committee members felts that the report was thorough, but Committee Member Goldenberg inquired if the beach re-nourishment project will affect the erosion control line (ECL), to which Sandra Lee advised that it will change, but will not impact any properties.

5. Role of CGA and CGA's responsibilities

Town Planner Hickey just wanted to reiterate the roles for this specific committee that was provided at previous meetings and advised of current reports that his firm is working on for the Committee.

6. Public Comments (3-minute time limit per speaker)

FIU graduate student stopped to offer his assistance to the Committee with regards to environmental sustainability.

Vice Chair Clara Diaz-Leal and Committee Member Cimadevilla voiced their concerns regarding wooden light poles throughout Town. The Committee Members felt that the Town should be proactive in upgrading the lighting infrastructure should there be another major storm to impact the Town. Town Manager Olmedillo advised that he will speak to the Town's FPL representative regarding the issue, but they should also present the matter before the Town Commission during Good and Welfare.

The Committee welcomed Narit Tayas Zamir to the Committee as a new appointee.

7. Adjournment

Committee Member Goldenberg moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:27 p.m. Committee Member Cimadevilla seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Accepted this 18 day of September, 2019.

Andrea Travani

Committee Chair

Attest:

Sandra Novoa, MMC

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