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# Ad Hoc Neighborhood Resilience Projects Advisory Committee

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TO: Members of the Ad Hoc Neighborhood Resilience Projects Advisory Committee

DATE: October 19, 2023

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Ad Hoc Neighborhood Resilience Projects Advisory Committee on October 19, 2023 - Virtual Meeting

Present: Curt Dyer, Spencer Hennings, Galen Treuer, Clare McCord, Ronald Starkman, Alon Alexander

Absent: Jason Koslowe

City Staff: Amy Knowles (Liaison), Gabriella Gonzalez, Matt Kenny, Cristina Ortega, Noel Webber

Commission: n/a

# CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Welcome by C. McCord, Chair.

## **COMMITTEE BUSINESS**

Approval of Minutes – C. Dyer moves, R. Starkman seconds.

## **Quorum Update**

Amy shares update regarding quorum requirements for 2024. In-person attendance is required to count towards quorum; virtual attendees can attend but will not be able to vote. Environment & Sustainability Department conference room is suggested as possible meeting place for next year.

R. Starkman asks what the term is for the committee and Amy shares that it will sunset after the December meeting, unless otherwise extended by the Commission. Commissioner Dominguez's ordinance to make into a standing committee will require two readings before going into effect; a resolution to extend the committee in the meantime will be necessary to continue meeting next year. R. Starkman suggests a resolution passing to extend the ad hoc committee for another 3 months until the ordinance is able to pass. C. McCord to communicate with Commissioner Dominguez.

C. Dyer asks what will happen if the commissioner who appointed a member will no longer be in office; Amy suggests reaching out to new commission to express interest in their continued participation.



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# Vulnerability Assessment Pop-ups Update

N. Webber shares a recap of the Hispanic Heritage Festival pop-up event and explains how residents interacted with the activity. Maps will be digitized to reflect collected data after November 5<sup>th</sup> event.

# Stormwater Masterplan Community Meeting Feedback

R. Starkman shares troubles regarding virtual participants who were unable to interact with the second portion of the meeting. He recommends clarification of expectations for future sessions so participants can better gauge how they would like to attend, while getting the most out of the experience. A. Knowles to share this feedback with the Communications team. C. McCord recommends language for future hybrid public meetings.

# Stakeholder Outreach, Communication, and Personal Engagement Improvements

C Dyer shares content written for newsletter. G Gonzalez shares with the committee for review. Committee agrees to condense text and share with Communications to be included in future newsletters. A Knowles shares overview of newsletter. M. Kenny, Communications Assistant Director shares recommendations for e-briefs—3-4 sentences and then redirected to webpage with more information. M Kenny shares update regarding Miamibeachfl.gov website upgrades. C McCord to work on blurb for Communications newsletter.

## **Human Rights Committee**

C McCord shares information about Human Rights Committee (HRC) Expo and invitation for committee to participate in tabling during the December 16<sup>th</sup> event. A Knowles offers to help facilitate and work with Amanda from HRC to help provide materials. C McCord motion for Committee to have tabling presence at HRC event, C Dyer seconds.

## **FUTURE TOPICS**

R Starkman suggests inviting new commissioners to join future committee meetings in 2024. G Treuer suggests inviting other committee members and reviewing their materials to observe best practices and avoid any overlap or duplicate work. A Knowles shares the committees managed by the Environment & Sustainability Department—Sustainability Committee and FEMA Community Rating System-Program for Public Information (PPI), as well as the Commission Committees. A Knowles suggests inviting Melissa Berthier and/or Carlos Gutierrez, Chair and Vice Chair, respectively, of the PPI Committee to a meeting. G Treuer suggests inviting Transportation Committee and R Starkman agrees, stating the importance of ongoing and overlapping projects that may impact the city's transportation network. A Knowles agrees to provide website links to the mentioned committees if available, or to request meeting agendas, minutes, and resolutions from committee liaisons if unavailable.



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R Starkman requests additional information regarding the Stormwater Masterplan Workshop. A Knowles to invite Public Works to share information and recommends for committee members to review the October 16<sup>th</sup> FERC agenda for an in-depth overview of the item.

## **STAFF UPDATES**

- PPA Grant Agreement Status: 15 received, approximately 10 pending
- King Tide Season

## Attendance – Reminder

C McCord asks for attendance update; all members except J Koslowe are present.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment available.

#### ADJOURNMENT

C McCord motion to adjourn, R Starkman seconds. Meeting adjourned.