

Collins Park Neighborhood Association

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

March 15, 2011

Location: The Surfcomber – 1717 Collins Avenue Miami Beach, Florida 33139

Welcome Reception 6:30pm to 7:00 p.m.

Meeting was called to order 7:15 p.m.

Present: Ray Breslin, Debi Quade, Harvey Burstein, Prakash Kumar, John Couriel, Manny Meland, Nathan Lieberman.

Excused absent: Carolyn Klepser, Sidney Davis, Ian Rosenior. Working at election polls.

Acknowledgements, City Officials, Introductions.

1. Lynn Bernstein discussed Condominium Association Workshops.
2. Officer Pablo Jimenez discussed homeless issues. Homeless on the bus was brought up. It was noted to discuss with Miami Dade Transit. Homeless in foreclosed buildings. It is a civil issue. Homeless on the beach. Outreach will go to the beach and speak with the homeless. General membership feels it is better to allow homeless to sleep on the beach vs doorways and streets.
3. Maria Medina from The Surfcomber discussed the major renovations and affiliation with Kimpton group.
4. Presentation from City on burned out buildings. Assistant City Manager Jorge Gomez, Assistant Director of Planning William Cary, and City Manager Jorge Gonzalez present. Suggestions were made and Eminent domain was discussed. It was noted that Eminent domain would be costly and take years.
5. Presentation final version of Linear Park. A rendering of 22nd Street and Washington Ct. and Collins Canal was presented. Wide sidewalk. Bike and pedestrian friendly. Expected to be done the end of May 2011. Street will be one-way West and right turn only at Washington Avenue. General membership is happy with the progress and design.

6. Sam Modzelewski did a presentation from Boulan to change their entrance wall and signage . Nathan Lieberman made a motion to approve the requested change. Seconded by Manny Meland. Unanimous approval.
7. Update on Collins Park Water feature. Suggestion to add benches in Collins Park. Lieberman's would like to donate a bench. Motion made by John Couriel To go to the city to ask for temporary benches until a permanent solution can be discussed. Seconded by Harvey Burstein. Unanimous approval.

No new business.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm.

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