

**SUMMARY OF MEETING
KENDALL COMMUNITY COUNCIL (12)
Non-Zoning Meeting
Kendall Branch Library
9101 SW 97 Avenue
Miami, FL 33176
January 21, 2009 – 6:30 p.m.**

Council Members Present

Carla Ascencio-Savola
Peggy Brodeur
Jorge Garciga
Alberto Santana, Co-Chair
Jose Valdes
Elliot N. Zack, Chair

Members Absent

Angela Vazquez

Miami-Dade DP&Z Staff Present

Claudette Viaud, Executive Secretary
Obed Jiron, Planner
Thomas Gomez, Clerk 3

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 6:36 pm. Chairman Zack led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Ms. Viaud called roll and there were 6 members present and 1 absent.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion to approve the agenda was forwarded by Councilwoman Brodeur and seconded by Councilwoman Ascencio-Savola. The motion passed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 12, 2008

Minutes were amended on Pg#2 Election of Officers, to reflect “for Vice-Chair” referring to Jose Valdes and Alberto Santana. A motion to approve the amended minutes was forwarded by Councilwoman Ascencio-Savola and seconded by Councilwoman Brodeur. The motion was unanimously passed by the Council.

EXECUTIVE SECRETARY'S REPORT

Ms. Viaud informed the members of the following issues:

- Miami-Dade Parks and Recreation will be present at the next meeting to provide the Council members with an update regarding the Indian Hammocks Park Expansion.
- Status of the East Kendall Charrette is pending.
- The Office of Strategic Business Management (OSBM) will discuss and collect budget priorities in March.
- As stated in the Manual, Council Members are requested to submit in writing the inability to attend a specific meeting. The Council is reminded of the attendance requirements specified by the Code (Section 2-11.39). The Department will be forwarding a copy of the attendance requirements to the Council.
- Contact information sheets were provided to the Council for all members to fill out and give to DP&Z staff.

*It is noted that Councilwoman Ascencio-Savola requested that staff provide her with an update regarding the FY 2007-2008 budget priorities. She emphasized the importance of receiving it prior to the next non-zoning meeting scheduled for March 18, 2009.

CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Chairman Zack reminded the Council about the dates for their next Zoning and Non-Zoning meetings and emphasized the importance of presenting budget priorities in March. The Chairman reported on the operations transition from Team Metro to DP&Z discussed at the Quarterly Chairs Meeting on December 8, 2008. The new section at DP&Z comprises of five (5) employees dedicated to Non-Zoning Council administrative tasks. Councilwoman Ascencio-Savola emphasized the importance for the Non-Zoning Section to have funding/budget to function properly.

Chairman Zack discussed a proposed resolution to be presented to all Councils in regards to the filling of any Council seat vacancies. Chairman Zack yielded to former Council member Robert Wilcosky to report that the request to change the sidewalks from asphalt to concrete along SW 82 Avenue & SW 104 St – 120 St. which was expected to be completed January 2009 has not been completed.

PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION

The Council presented the following Certificates of Appreciation:

- 1- Robert Wilcosky (Councilman 2000-2008)
- 2- Edward D. Levinson (Councilman 2006 – 2008)
- 3- Muhammed Hasan, Department of Public Works

MIAMI-DADE EXPRESSWAY AUTHORITY (MDX)

Ms. Tere Garcia, Public Involvement Coordinator, presented MDX's long-range plan:

Proposed SR 874 Ramp Connector

- Nov 2008 Concept Report confirms the need for a connection from SR 874 (Don Shula) to SW 136th Street and approximately 127th Ave.
- Project would provide access east into urban areas, relieving Turnpike congestion.

- Project Development & Environmental 2009 Study will include community involvement.

Proposed SR 836 Southwest Extension Project

- Concept Report in 2009 will evaluate this potential new corridor.
- Proposed corridor extends SR 836 from its current terminus at SW 137 Ave & approx. 8th Street southwest to SW 136 Street & approx. 152 Ave; with possible interchanges to major arterials such as Bird Road, Kendall Drive, Killian Parkway, and SW 136th Street.
- Project would provide linkage between southwest Miami-Dade while enhancing north-south and east-west mobility.
- Project is envisioned as a limited access expressway that will represent a physical barrier to discourage urban sprawl farther into the Everglades.

GUIDED BUSWAY – CSX CORRIDOR

Mr. Eric Prince presented a resolution proposing the use of lower technology, more flexible, and less expensive transit alternatives than those that include the use of Metrorail and/or fixed rail. It also considers a linear park 2-lane guided bus-way with by-pass and landscape green areas along its corridors.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING

- 1- MDPD - grid/crime reports of the area, specifically Dadeland Mall and The Falls area stations' operating procedures.
- 2- Parks & Recreation Department - Indian Hammocks park extension.
- 3- Budget priorities.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Claudette Viaud, Executive Secretary