

CORAL VILLA ESTATES AREA CHARRETTE STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY

Coral Villa Baptist Church

3201 SW 67th Ave.

Miami, Fl. 33155

March 4, 2010 – 6:30 P.M.

Steering Committee Members Present:

Francisco Javier Arbolí, Christina Blanco, Joe Sagarríbay (Vice-Chair), Tania Sotelo, Silvia Unzueta (Chair), Manolo Villaverde, Sleiman Zogheib

County staff present:

Department of Planning and Zoning (DP&Z): Joshua Rak, Eric Silva, Shailendra Singh, Alejandro Zizold

Office of Commissioner Rebeca Sosa, District 6: Pura Martin, Gloria Palacios

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Pura Martin opened the meeting by welcoming the residents and stakeholders to the Coral Villa Baptist Church. The attendance to this meeting is greatly improved due to the proximity of the church to the study area. She then presented a brief history of the project and what has led to where the study is today.

Alejandro Zizold presented the follow-up responses to issues raised at the previous steering committee meeting. Each item was addressed and responses presented, with all of the dialogue revolving around traffic calming locations, street lights and sidewalk installation. Residents expressed opinions on location of traffic circles and sought clarification on general funding issues.

Shailendra Singh presented the charrette process and resident's participation in the visioning process at the table sessions. On-site design studio, design week and logistics were also presented. Residents and neighbors were encouraged to visit the design studio throughout the charrette week.

Silvia Unzueta welcomed the residents to the meeting and thanked them for a great turnout. She then moderated a discussion on general issues and concerns that the participants have moving toward the charrette. Many participants suggested traffic problems in the area and specified locations for staff to explore with regards to traffic circles and other traffic calming devices. The following locations were added to the PWD list of traffic circle locations in the presentation:

- 64th ave. and 36th st.
- 64th ave. and 28th st.
- 64th ave. and 26th st.
- 63rd ave. and 36th st.
- 63rd ave. and 26th st.

During this presentation one of the steering committee members presented a rough estimate as to how much money it would cost if the neighborhood decided to create a

special taxing district to install sidewalks. The rough estimate was approximately \$125-\$150 a year for 15 years. The process of the steering committee to gather signatures to begin the study would be undertaken with the intention of presenting the signatures at the charrette meeting. Other issues such as the commercial area of the neighborhood, street light installation and the design of the Coral Villa Park were also discussed.

Next steering committee meeting:

Coral Villa Estates Charrette
Coral Villa Baptist Church
Opening Presentation and Table Sessions
Saturday, April 10, 2010
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.