

# MIAMI BEACH

## **Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel on North Beach**

**8:00 a.m., Thursday, June 4, 2015**

**Normandy Shore Golf Club**

**2401 Biarritz Drive, Miami Beach**

### **AGENDA**

- 1. ROLL CALL**
- 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
  - a. July 10, 2014**
  - b. May 21, 2015**
- 3. UPDATE: NORTH SHORE NEIGHBORHOOD IMPROVEMENT PROJECT –**  
Bruce Mowry, City Engineer
- 4. DISCUSSION: BICYCLE MASTER PLAN AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY –** Jose  
Gonzalez, Transportation Director
- 5. DISCUSSION: NORTH BEACH CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT REQUESTS –** Jeff  
Oris, Economic Development Division Director
- 6. NORTH BEACH UPDATES:** Jeff Oris, Economic Development Division Director
- 7. PUBLIC INPUT**
- 8. GENERAL PANEL DISCUSSION**
- 9. ADJOURN**

### **REMINDERS:**

- 1) The next two meetings of the Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel on North Beach is scheduled to be held at the Normandy Shores Golf Club, 2401 Biarritz Drive at:  
  
**6:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 18, 2015**  
**8:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 2, 2015**
- 2) The next Music & Food Truck event on Ocean Terrace is scheduled for Wednesday, June 24th.

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**Issues Update June 4, 2015 Meeting**

1. **North Beach Branding: (NC)** - The Panel's motion for \$300,000 to fund North Beach Marketing efforts has been shared with the Mayor and Commission via a Letter to Commission.
2. **Bandshell Tent: (NC)** Design of a covering system has been bid out to the City's rotating list of designers. The intent is to proceed from design to a bid package that can then be released.
3. **Vendome Plaza: (NC)** - The Transportation Dept. is working to finalize funding and to prepare a scope for the work order to an existing vendor to undertake the study.
4. **\*Kayak/SUP Launch Sites:** The Blueways Plan will be before the City Commission at their June 10, 2015 meeting for final approval. Public Works, Parks and Recreation and TCED staff have been working to find an appropriate location to install the first launches. The first two sites under consideration are Britany Bay Park (this site has sea wall issues that must be addressed) and along Dickens Avenue near the water tanks (this site has mangrove considerations that must be addressed).
5. **North Shore Open Space Park Security: (NC)** The Police Department has indicated that they will be renewing their efforts to get cameras installed and operational within the Park shortly after the Memorial Day weekend.
6. **Bridge Painting and Lighting: (NC)** – Staff has received a preliminary proposal from Schulman and Associates for a design and construction drawings for aesthetic improvements to the 71<sup>st</sup> Street Bridge and for a themed design elements plan for future bridge improvements. This effort is being done in conjunction with design entrance signage. This proposal is currently being reviewed for compliance with procurement standards.
7. **Entrance Signs: (NC)** – Staff has received a preliminary proposal from Schulman and Associates for a design of entrance signs in North Beach and for themed signage elements for future public identification signage. This effort is being done in conjunction with design for bridge improvements. This proposal is currently being reviewed for compliance with procurement standards.
8. **North Beach Façade Improvement Program: (NC)** TCED Staff is currently working with several of the initial applicants to obtain quotes for work.
9. **Historic Preservation: (NC)** The City Commission has asked that historic preservation be a component of the North Beach Master Plan.
10. **Massing Studies: (NC)** The City Commission indicated it would like changes to FAR included in any master planning effort. Massing studies remain scheduled for updates at the Finance and Citywide Projects Committee.
11. **87<sup>th</sup> Street Project (former Deezerland/Howard Johnson hotel site): (NC)** – The developer of the site continues to seek all the necessary approvals to

proceed with the proposed project (as amended) including a parking structure on the west side of Collins. Efforts have been made to speed up the developer's donation to the City to speed up improvements to North Shore Open Space Park.

12. **\*North Beach Master Plan:** Staff has met to address issues raised by the BRP at its last meeting. A meeting will be scheduled with relevant departments to address issues, and a negotiation session will be scheduled with the Consultant to address issues of potential duplication, specific items of concern and the timeline for the project.
13. **\*North Shore Neighborhood Improvement Project:** City Engineer Bruce Mowry is scheduled to return for the 6/4/15 meeting to further discuss the status of this project.
14. **\*North Beach Parking Fund:** Staff will have an in person update of parking funds at the 6/4/15 meeting
15. **\* Park Updates:** (NC) (NOTE: no new information was received at the printing of this report. It is hoped to have an update in time for the meeting)  
Altos Del Mar Park – Parks and Recreation Staff is still negotiating with the selected architect for this project. It is expected that the final design will be underway by July and that plans sufficient to begin applying for permits will be completed by January 2016.  
Tatum Park – Improvements should be complete by May 22<sup>nd</sup>.  
Stillwater Park – A capital budget request to fund installation of a fitness circuit (at the request of residents) has been submitted.  
Normandy Shores Park – a fence has been reinstalled along the seawall. Parks is seeking to install solar lighting along the fitness circuit in the park.

\* - Indicates new information

(NC) – indicates no change to this update since the last meeting of the Mayor's Blue Ribbon Panel on North Beach

(NEW) – indicates a new project or initiative included in this report for the first time.

### **Completed items:**

- 1) **Normandy Fountain** – Rehabilitation is complete
- 2) **North Beach Trolley** – Up and operating
- 3) **North Beach Trolley Wraps** – All trolleys are wrapped and North Beach branded.
- 4) **Byron Carlyle Theater** – O Cinema is operating and expanding programming.
- 5) **Bandshell Programming** – The Rhythm Foundation is now programming the facility.
- 6) **Bandshell Sound System** – The sound system has been installed and is in use.
- 7) **Bandshell Park Area Improvements** – All improvements have been completed.
- 8) **North Beach Revitalization Strategies Plan** – The Plan was completed and adopted by the City Commission in December, 2014.

