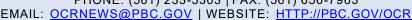


## PALM BEACH COUNTY OFFICE OF COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION

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# COUNTYWIDE COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION TEAM MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Title: Countywide Community Revitalization Team Meeting

Facilitator: Ruth Moguillansky, OCR Principal Planner

Minutes Prepared by: William Wynn, OCR Senior Planner

Date/Time: July 16, 2024

Location: 2300 N Jog Rd., Room 1E-60, West Palm Beach, FL 33411

#### **MEETING ATTENDANCE**

1. Audley Reid PBC OCR

Bob King
 Catherine Martinez
 CAM Estates Resident
 PBSO Citizens Patrol

3. Catherine Martinez4. Crystal MathewsPBSO Citizens PaterPBC OCR

5. Denise DiLauro Haverhill West Resident6. Fadi Nassar PBC Traffic Engineering

7. Frederick DeTar PBC EOC 8. George Schott PBC OCR

9. Ike Powell PBC Youth Services

10. Jacques Duverger In Good Company Foundation, Inc.

11. Johnny Gillins CAM Estates Resident

12. Judith Duverger In Good Company Foundation, Inc.

13. Katharine King CAM Estates Resident

14. Lana Blackman SWA

15. Larisa Lagasse School District of PBC

16. Laura Hanley PBC Commission District 3 Office

17. Lesley George PBC HED

18. Leroy Rouse Gramercy Park Resident19. Lesley Gillins CAM Estates Resident

20. Lilique Lambkin Florida Rural Legal Service (FRLS)

21. Mai Bui Westgate CRA

22. Michael Owens23. Mike MooreSchool District of PBCCAM Estates Resident

24. Nicole Davis PBC OEBO

25. Ontario Johnson Neighborhood Renaissance

26. Ruth Moguillansky PBC OCR

27. Sancha "Vara" Baucom28. Shanna WalkerGramercy Park ResidentCabana Colony Resident

29. Sherika Perez Florida Department of Education

30. Sherry McCorkle South Florida Water Management District

31. Stefania Russell PBC HED

32. Susan Foley PBC Behavioral Health Coalition

33. Tequella Collins-Snipe Project Lift

# 35. William Wynn

## **MEETING MINUTES**

#### I. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Ruth Moguillansky, OCR Principal Planner, called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. and welcomed everyone to the meeting. OCR staff introduced themselves.

## II. DEPARTMENT UPDATES

- Ike Powell. PBC Youth Services
  - Youth Services summer camp. There are nearly 90 sites around the county in terms of summer camp providers. Youth Services through the Board of County Commissioners and in partnership Children's Services Council have awarded more than 5000 scholarships to well-deserving low-income children to be able to attend these summer camps. The camps operate anywhere from eight to ten weeks, from June 3<sup>rd</sup> to Aug 10<sup>th</sup>. Will be taking applications for the next summer camp starting in the March-April.
- Fadi Nassar, PBC Traffic Engineering
  - Completed the two sidewalk projects in San Castle
- Stefania Russell, PBC HED
  - o HED went before the BCC on July 2<sup>nd</sup> to present the HED Action Plan for FY 2024-25
  - Anyone facing foreclosure, can contact the Mortgage and the Housing Investments section at 561-233-3600 or find more information at https://discover.pbcgov.org/HED/Pages/Housing-Programs.aspx
  - Workforce housing information can also be found at https://discover.pbcgov.org/HED/Pages/Housing-Programs.aspx
- Laura Hanley, Administrative Assistant II, Commissioner Barnett's Office
  - Family Impact PBC, through public and private funding now has a contractor to complete the much-needed flooring in their modular trailer at 4720 Maine St Lake Worth Beach, Florida
  - The old building where the offices were has been demolished

## III. OCR UPDATES

- Chrystal Mathews
  - NEAT recommendation meeting will be held on July 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am in person in Conference room VC-2E-52-Planning and virtually at <a href="https://pbc-gov.webex.com/pbc-gov/j.php?MTID=m8c0ad20a8bbcc918c4bbc09fb3a49fdf">https://pbc-gov.webex.com/pbc-gov/j.php?MTID=m8c0ad20a8bbcc918c4bbc09fb3a49fdf</a>
- Ruth Moguillansky
  - More volunteers are needed for the back to school event on the set up date Aug 2<sup>nd</sup> and the event Aug 3<sup>rd</sup>. Sign up at BacktoSchoolpbc.org/volunteer
  - There will be service providers in attendance. Colgate Bright Smiles Bright Futures (BSBF) Florida Team, FAU/Northwest Community Health Alliance Community Health Centers, Hollywood Institute of Beauty Careers, Mittleman Eye Center, South University, Ta Ta For Now, Inc., West Palm Beach Fire Department
  - There will also be several mascots participating in this year's back to school event as well.

#### IV. PRESENTATION

Ruth Moguillansky, OCR Principal Planner introduced the presenter Frederick DeTar, Emergency Program Manager, Palm Beach County Department of Public Safety Division of Emergency Management

Mr. DeTar began his presentation by giving a brief history about himself and thanking the CCRT for allowing him to present.

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#### **Questions/Comments**

#### V. RESIDENT QUESTIONS/COMMENTS

- Susan Foley, Project Specialist, Palm Beach County Behavioral Health Coalition gave an update on the coalition's upcoming events.
  - August 2<sup>nd</sup> Roller Skating at AstroSkate, 3100 Jog Rd., Greenacres 6 to 8 PM free event for middle and high school students
  - o There will be a media contest in the fall
  - o Recently completed a marijuana educational forum which was very well-received
  - Contact Information:

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- Katharine King, CAM Estates resident, presented the following concerns.
  - Ms, King mentioned that there are still semi-trucks parking within the community.
    - Fadi Nassar responded that he could have Engineering install parking ordinance signs.
    - Fadi Nassar conducted a field visit on July 16th and took photos of an RV parked on the side of the road next to 1021 Cameo Circle. Mr. Nassar asked OCR to follow up with PBSO.
    - Ruth Moguillansky followed up with Fadi Nassar, Principal Professional Engineer, with Engineering and Public Works, regarding the installation of non-parking signs on Brian Way.
  - Ms. King has concerns about the overgrown landscape at the entrance of CAM Estates, which she states is county property. She would like this issue resolved.
    - Fadi Nassar conducted a field visit on July 16<sup>th</sup> took photos and observed that there is overgrown lawn and there are areas where the lawn looks fine. However, he advised that the Brian Way shoulders and medians need trimming. Mr. Nassar asked OCR to follow up with Adam Faustini with PBC Road and Bridge Division.
    - Ruth Moguillansky contacted Mr. Adam Faustini, Road and Bridge Division Director with Engineering and Public Works. The CCRT has requested his assessment of ongoing maintenance needs for county-owned grass areas, along with recommendations for maintenance schedules and responsibilities moving forward. The CCRT has requested the removal or trimming of the tree located in the county right-of-way outside the CAM Estates entrance wall on the east side of Brian Way.
  - Ms. King would like to have streetlights installed on Belvedere Rd stating that it is very dark and dangerous on Belvedere Rd near CAM Estates.
    - Ruth Moguillansky followed up with Ms. King and advised regarding streetlights, CAM Estates, with its underground utilities, unfortunately, does not

qualify for installation under OCR Neighborhood Street Lighting Program due to significant cost implications. In many older communities like Cam Estates, utilities are situated at the rear of properties, leading to heightened installation costs. Additionally, the requirement to restore properties post-installation further adds to the financial burden. In light of recent developments where FPL has begun converting neighborhoods to underground utilities, thereby relocating them to street sides, the cost dynamics have significantly improved for newly converted areas. It is worth mentioning that our office does not handle these types of projects, and we are uncertain about FPL's future approach in this regard. The OCR is prepared to facilitate discussions with FPL representatives should CAM Estates neighbors decide to explore the option of signing an agreement with FPL for installation. Residents interested in having streetlights installed in front of their property are encouraged to talk with FPL to determine installation costs and ongoing operation and maintenance expenses. Engaging in an agreement where residents contribute to associated costs could be one viable option for advancing this matter.

- Ms. King asked for an update about the light pole at the community's main entrance.
  - Ruth Moguillansky followed up with Ms. King concerning the specific light on Belvedere Rd outside the CAM Estates community; FPL confirmed the replacement of their owned streetlights with LEDs. However, the light mentioned does not appear to be owned by FPL nor billed to any other entity for energy or maintenance. The OCR has therefore sought further clarification from FPL regarding potential solutions. While the OCR has not heard back from FPL nor discussed this item with Houston or Engineering, one alternative would be to explore the possibility of the county absorbing the cost of replacing the light and covering its ongoing operation costs if approved by the Board of County Commissioners. If not possible, another alternative may be for residents to absorb those costs, should FPL approve such an arrangement. The OCR has also contacted Engineering staff to explore other feasible, alternative measures.
- Ms. King inquired about having a sidewalk installed.

The meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Ruth Moguillansky advised Ms. King the OCR has reached out to Fadi Nassar to explore the feasibility of extending the sidewalk and the associated requirements. Mr. Nassar responded during the meeting, that sidewalks are not high-priority projects at this time for Traffic due to their limited budget and the fact that there is already a convenient sidewalk on the other side of the road. Ruth advised that the OCR without promises is exploring alternative funding sources.

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