RIO VISTA CIVIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Meeting @ 7 PM via ZOOM

January 15th, 2025

1. Call to Order - by Lori Sterling at 7:02pm

    a. Board Roll Call - Bill Kirk substituting for Ryan Lehrer as Secretary
        - Present: Mark Snead, Bill Kirk, Lori Sterling, Ryan Lehrer, JJ Rajter, Alex Jean, Luci Mazza, Solomon Schoonover
        - Guests: Courtney Crush (guest – developer counsel), Brandon Spirk (develop representative), Benjamin Restrepo (guest – FLL City Engineer), Ryan Fischer (Stiles/builder representative)
        - Absent: Fred Stresau, Chuck Tatelbaum, Nancy Messing, Evan Jaxtheimer

    b. Motion to approve December minutes: Motion - Mark Snead; Seconded - JJ Rajter. No member objections

Agenda Items:

2. 6th & Rio Project – Commencement, Status & Issues

The development team on the 6th & Rio project was invited to update the Board on the status of the project. Topics and comments on discussion:

a. Brandon Spirk opened the presentation by providing an introduction and update on project and status.
b. Ryan Fischer followed to discuss the large trucks and equipment deliveries that have impacted the neighborhood. Ryan noted that they are attempting to utilize the U-Turn wrap around on the top of the tunnel above Federal highway, as opposed to utilizing Rio Vista Blvd or other routes to deliver materials to the project site. Comments were made by Board members regarding speed of vehicles through the neighborhood. Ryan responded about Stiles instructions to vendors to very closely monitor speed and safety with vendors.
c. Lori Sterling has recommended to Stiles to have escorts for vendors traveling through the neighborhood to monitor, and communicated this again.
d. Member Alex Jean noted that he will monitor future activity with local neighbors on Rio Vista blvd.
e. Ryan continued to share other project comments – including safety fence around the site. Noted to expect daily deliveries over the next 3 months – Stiles will be working to avoid neighborhood where possible.
g. Brandon illustrated how they are working on FDOT permission to utilize “top of tunnel” geography to eliminate need to go through neighborhood.

h. Lori Sterling noted she also made a request to Stiles to notify neighbors via flyer on the construction vendor route warning on traffic
i. Ryan Fischer noted that only the 5 northern parking spots on the west side of 6th avenue have been secured to facilitate deliveries.
j. In an effort to provide other delivery options, Brandon Spirk requested the assistance of Lori Sterling – which included her to request permission from the FDOT for the developer to utilize the 3 parking spaces directly on top of the tunnel so that larger trucks may have the needed turning radius to access the west 6th Ave for exiting the project.
k. Brandon noted that the developer and builder have created an additional buffer zone around the site for safety purposes.
l. Lori Sterling reiterated that the Board would like to ensure that neighbors on delivery path are notified of delivery schedules
m. Stiles believes project will take 24 months, but developer believes it can be accomplished in 20 months; 2 cranes will be used to accelerate project

3. Report of Officers

a. President's report - Lori Sterling
   1. Motion to Elect Bill Kirk as Secretary to replace Ryan Lehrer
      - Mark Snead made motion; JJ Rajter seconded motion

   2. Discussion of motion required to approve/extended terms for the following:
      Bill Kirk (2024)
      Fred Stresau
      Mark Snead
      Nancy Messing
      Evan Jaxtheimer
      Ryan Lehrer (2025)

      General members will need to approve the following extended terms noted above. Proxy emailed for General Meeting.

   3. Chuck Tatalbaum has approved the removal of the old yard signs displayed in a non-members property.

      Discussion of plan by members. Lori proposed that she and other volunteering members to simply retrieve visible signs from all non-active security members.

b. Treasurer report – Mark Snead

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Financial performance healthier than past periods, due to contributions received from donors (West, Jean) that were applied to event expenses; and additional revenue generated from events.

c. VP report-JJ Rajter

- Report from Jan 14 CFLCA meeting.
  - Car thefts continue; discussion of District 3 participation; traffic issues discussed, and Las Olas re-design. Las Olas project commencing soon.

4. Committee Reports

a. Membership- Lori Sterling

- 2 banners promoting new membership will be distributed; Standard mailing promotion has also been initiated. New membership also being promoted on the Website.
- LauderAle Brewery has also joined neighborhood sponsors, as has some additional vendors

b. Security Report –Mark Snead & Solomon Schoonover

Mark discussed the following:
- Still waiting to hear from City on new rate charged for patrol
- Lauderdale Harbors continues to show interest in sharing responsibility for security; participation would be generally determined by proration of households in neighborhoods patrolled
- Minimum of 35 houses for LH required; LOA to be prepared to memorialize agreement

Solomon discussed security subcommittee activities:
- Fundraising for license plate readers is being developed; will use RV events to promote project
- Discussing other topics – unmanned gates, etc.
- Next meeting in February

** Solomon also addressed the Board regarding his personal relationship with the developer Ocean Landing to ensure no appearance of conflict, transparency of which was well received by Board members.

c. Communications – Mark Snead and Nancy Messing
- No items to report

d. Disaster – JJ Rajter
- No items to report

e. Parks - Fred Stresau
   - Deferred to next month's meeting

f. Social -
   - Carti Gras (Bill Kirk & Lori Sterling for Luci Mazza)
     - Tarpon River sharing 50 cans of beer
     - Same route as last year
     - Same food truck as last year – Holiday
     - Approaching Shuck n' Dive and others about sponsorships and donations
     - Discussion regarding after event movie
       - Ryan Lehrer suggested cancelling as most likely will have limited number of attendees; members agreed
       - Ryan also noted that he will agree to have TrippScott to cover cost of music for event (estimated $475)

   - Car Show
     - New signs – might need to address
     - Alex to follow up on poster changes

5. Old/Unfinished Business

   a. Discussion regarding best way to spread the word about how to report neighborhood repairs and issues:
      - Lori suggested we begin to promote City website "Fix it" to get messaging out about repair issues in City
      - More discussion deferred to next meeting due to time limitations

   b. Continue discussion of VY Park closure during Halloween
      - Fred Stresau and Evan Jaxtheimer previously raised idea of seeking closure of VY Park for Halloween; discussion was deferred to future meeting with full attendance.

Adjourned @ 8:24pm

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Future Meeting and Events:

	Board Meeting (7 PM zoom or live TBD)	General Meeting 7 PM in person	GUESTS BOOKED
1		1/27/2025	1/27 YMCA presentation by CEO Sheryl Woods
2	2/19/25		
3	3/19/25		
4	4/16/25		
		4/21/25	
5	5/21/25		
6	6/18/25		
7	7/16/25		
8	8/20/25		
9	9/10/25		
10		9/22/25	
10	10/15/25		
11	11/19/25		
12	12/15/25 (tentative 6pm pre-meeting before General Meeting)	12/15/2025 (Meeting at 7pm following Board Meeting)	