

RIOVISTA CIVIC ASSOCIATION, INC.

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes In Person Meeting hosted by Chuck

March 20th, 2024 6:30 PM

1. Call to Order @ 6:30pm

- Board Roll Call

- Present: Lori S., Solomon S., Fred S., JJ R., Chuck T., Ryan L., Evan J., Nancy M., Mark S., Bill K., Alex J.
- Absent:

Meeting will be taken out of order to give the city representatives the necessary time to discuss the replacement of the SE 7th street bridge located at the intersection of Cordova Rd and SE 7th street

2. Report of Officers

- a. President's report -1.Update on banners and yard signs being placed for membership drive. 2. Ponce landscape median is tentatively scheduled for May. Will get update out. 3. VY Park will be getting a fence installation on the west end similar to the existing fencing currently in the park. 4. Speaker for April meeting: Rich Ackerman on a three year review of the native orchid project

b. Treasurer report – Mark Snead

c. Secretary – Ryan Lehrer

Mark S. made motion to approve February board meeting minutes; seconded by Evan J.; PASSED

- d. Vice-President – CFLCA updates – JJ went over recent meeting notes, especially on issue of vacation rental issues with new laws proposed to governor

3. Committee Reports

- a. Membership: Drive is happening and will continue through May. Opportunities to sign up new members will take place at all scheduled events. Need to decide on a mailing.
- b. Security Report – Mark Snead
- c. Communications Report – Mark Snead/Nancy Messing –content ideas for May
- d. Disaster – JJ –
- e. Parks – Fred –
- f. Social-Alex updated on Car Show to be held on April 21, with 40+ exotic cars asking to participate and looks like over 60 will ultimately be involved; Lori updated on Native Orchid installation and sale.

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4. Old Business/unfinished
 - a. Possible progress with speed bumps to be changed on 12th St with a wider design
 - b. The City has been notified that the monument sign on the West end of Ponce was approved
 - c. Mark Wright completed his review of a recent complaint and found the officers needed a refresh on protocol. He has and will continue to work with them

5. New Business

- a. Proposed ordinance change to allow dogs on leash in every park in the city(Commissioner Herbst) see link below:

[Park and Rec Finder - City of Fort Lauderdale](#)

- b. City representatives, and outside consultant, gave update on replacement of 7th street bridge, need for detour on Cordova, and expected time frame
 - c. Discussion with Laura Tooley, City of Fort Lauderdale Urban Forrester
 - d. Per emergency meeting (3/8 at 6 pm) called for by Commissioner Sturman the D4 Presidents are asking all residents and their boards to write Gov. DeSantis urging him to veto the vacation rental bill. Update on this-from CFLCA

To CFLCA Civic Association Presidents,

Find the below template sent to me by Daphnee Sainvil, City of Fort Lauderdale's Public Affairs Division Manager. This template is for use by civic association presidents to implore the Governor to veto SB 280. Over the past weekend you all were sent the letter I emailed on behalf of the Council outlining the reasons to veto SB 280. To use copy and paste the template into a Word document.

Daphnee attended Tuesday nights CFLCA general membership meeting via Zoom and suggested that this template be given to all civic association presidents. The idea is that the **president and only the civic association president** use this form altering it somewhat to make it your own. Do describe specific short term rental problems your civic association suffered prior to the city's current regulations enacted in 2015.

The bill has not reached the Governor's desk so there is still time to put together a letter to him.

If neighbors want to send their own letter to the governor that is fine but **not** encouraged. Do not give anyone else this template to use. Reason being too many letters could annoy the governor and cause him to go in a direction we do not want.

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Especially true if they are all the same template. This information again from Daphnee who is working for the city on state legislative issues.

Send letters to the Governor by email and telephone. That information is in this link <https://www.flgov.com/email-the-governor/>

- e. To ZOOM or not to ZOOM at RVCA General Meetings; discussion on use of Zoom given minimal attendance and need for better equipment if continuing. Will look into volunteers to assist with administrative aspect of it.

Adjourned @ 7:35pm

2023/2024 RVCA MEETING DATES

Board Meeting 7 PM zoom or live TBD	General Meeting 7 PM in person	GUESTS BOOKED	
1/17/24 live 2/21/24 live 3/20/24 4/15/24 5/15/24 6/19/24 7/17/24 8/21/24 9/18/24 10/16/24 11/20/24 12/18/24	2024 General Meeting Dates 1/22/24 4/15/24 9/16/24 12/16/24	Gus, our code compliance officer, will attend all General Meetings Officer Haggerty will attend specified General Meetings Mark Wright will attend all General Meetings 1/22 Trisha Logan- Architectural Survey Study 4/15 tentative Commissioner Sturman Rich Ackerman(orchid specialist)	