

APPROVED

**TOWN OF LAUDERDALE-BY-THE SEA
PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD VIRTUAL MEETING MINUTES
LIVE STREAMED FROM JARVIS HALL
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Wednesday, October 7, 2020**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Whyte called the Planning and Zoning (P&Z) Board meeting for the Town of Lauderdale-By-The-Sea (L-B-T-S), which was held through the software platform Zoom, to order at approximately 6:05PM.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

Members present were Chair Jeffrey Whyte, Vice Chair Ron Piersante, Christina Buerosse and David Chanon. The absentee members were Charles Wayne Dillistin, 1st Alternate Alan Bluestein, and 2nd Alternate Patricia Omana.

Also present were Town Attorney James White, Development Services Director Linda Connors, Planner Susan Leven, Planner Jhanelle Campbell; and Planning Technician Sydney Ramirez. Kathryn Lyon, a representative of Corradino Group, also was present.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Previous Meeting Minutes – August 5, 2020

Mr. Chanon made a motion to approve the minutes of the Virtual P&Z regular meeting of August 5, 2020 as presented. The motion was seconded by Chair Whyte. The motion carried 4-0.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chair Whyte inquired as to public comments at this time which were not specific to the items on the agenda but there were no members of the public that submitted any public comments. The Chair closed this portion of public comments.

5. NEW BUSINESS

a. Pedestrian Plan Staff Report 10.07.2020

Planner Sue Leven presented the agenda item by stating that the Pedestrian and Bicycle Circulation Enhancement Plan was completed by the Corradino Group. It outlined the content and recommendations for making one's way through Lauderdale-By-The-Sea (L-B-T-S) on foot or by bike. It addressed the survey that was answered by more than 180 citizens and gave insight into how residents use the Town's roads and what improvements they would like to see. Existing conditions in the Town were named as well. Traffic calming and speed were discussed in all types of locations (e.g., residential side streets). Ms. Leven then introduced Kathryn Lyon who mentioned sidewalk connectivity, pedestrian/bicycle safety, public awareness and that L-B-T-S was dedicated to providing improvements. The plan suggested recommendations to achieve the Town's goal. Ms. Lyon spoke about the online survey which indicated that walking was the primary way of getting around followed by driving and biking. Walking and biking were used for

exercise, recreation and errands and the survey respondents addressed their concerns like speeding and cut-through traffic.

Fifty-five projects were identified and she explained how they were scored. Based on the scoring criteria, three projects were pushed up to high priority. The Chair called for public comments but there were none. He opened up to Board discussion and Mr. Piersante wanted to know about cut-through traffic, needing speed bumps/humps and if the company conducting the survey considered closing off the cut through from A1A going north where people turn in front of the visitor's center, and make other turns to Seagrape. He said there was a lot of speeding traffic going down Seagrape and the Chamber parking lot had a lot of people cutting through. Ms. Lyon spoke about the need for a study before actions like speed bumps/humps, etc. could be taken. Mr. Chanon spoke about FDOT related problems for the light at Commercial and A1A turning left heading west on Commercial because the turn signal was not long enough. Chair Whyte talked about the smart traffic system. Ms. Connors suggested that Municipal Services Director Ken Rubach could speak with FDOT to get an update and bring this discussion back to the next meeting. Ms. Buerosse wanted to know if there were that many residents using bicycles to get to work and if 182 responses were typical for a survey response. Ms. Connors explained that if neighbors were asked to attend a meeting on this subject, there probably would be less than 182 attendees.

Discussion ensued about the different standards and level of use for each street. Also discussed was funding for these projects and the budget. In particular, Ms. Buerosse questioned \$45,000 for a bicycle lane on a road that was not that busy. Ms. Leven spoke about state and federal programs which could have availability for what we wanted to do and other options. Ms. Buerosse inquired about Bougainvillea where it connects to A1A, and Ms. Leven said that it would be in the current version of the plan, not the one they were looking at now. Chair Whyte asked about the hotel project and was informed by Ms. Connors that there was no development plan for that property until it was purchased. Chair Whyte spoke about a hedge and landscaping by the stop sign upon approaching Seagrape that obscured traffic and pedestrians. Ms. Connors would bring this to the attention of the Municipal Services Director. Ms. Buerosse wanted to know about the options for traffic calming and Ms. Lyon explained that options would be listed after the study was performed. Mr. Chanon asked if speed bumps/humps have to be approved by residents living on the street and Ms. Connors explained the current policy. Ms. Buerosse liked the lighted sign and inquired if the Town could get more. Mr. Piersante said that he was told they were expensive. Ms. Buerosse asked when the survey was conducted and was informed that it was in March. As there were no further questions/comments, going forward, if applicable, individual projects would be brought in front of the Board. What transpired tonight would be brought as a report to the Town Commission's Meeting for their consideration at the end of October.

b. Ordinance 2020-09 - Amending Sections 30-261 "B-1 A Business District-Business", Section 30-271 "B-1 District Business", and Section 30-313, "General Provisions"

Planner Jhanelle Campbell presented the agenda item by stating that over the last several months, Staff has been reviewing Chapter 30 of the Town's Code for inconsistencies and to make improvements, if necessary. This was to ensure that the Town's regulations were current and consistent with the Town's planning and regulatory needs. Ordinance 2020-09 incorporated the proposed changes to provide clarification, and to update standards and requirements as outlined in the Town's General Provisions of the Code. The Town Attorney, Town Engineer and the Municipal Services Director also reviewed the proposed changes where applicable. She went over some of the major changes starting with but not limited to updating language for front and rear entrances into buildings in the B-1A District (ordinance line 46-47), and update language to

current standards for rooftop photovoltaic solar system (ordinance line 238-243). Ms. Connors explained that this was a clean-up ordinance to make sure that the Code was up to date and to remove outdated language. The Chair opened up for public comments but there were none and then asked for Board comments/questions. Mr. Chanon wanted to know what double setbacks from inside street to inside street were and was told this was streets both on the front yard and the backyard and double setbacks would not be required where you would have 25 feet for the front yard setback and 25 feet for the rear yard setback. There were no public questions/comments and no further Board questions/comments.

Ms. Buerosse made a motion to recommend approval of Ordinance 2020-09 to the Town Commission. The motion was seconded by Mr. Chanon. The motion carried 4-0.

6. OLD BUSINESS N/A

7. UPDATES/BOARD MEMBER COMMENT N/A

8. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Piersante made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:45PM. The motion was seconded by Ms. Buerosse. The motion carried 4-0.



Chair Jeffrey Whyte

ATTEST:

Date Accepted: 12/10/2020

Development Services Director Linda Connors


