

# Planning & CITY OF VIRGINIA BEACH Community BAYFRONT ADVISORY COMMISSION Development DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

Thursday, August 21, 2025 3:30 P.M. Ocean Park Fire and Rescue Squad Building 3769 E. Stratford Road

## MEMBERS PRESENT:

Andrea Lindemann (Chair), Morgan Ayers, Windy Crutchfield, Phil Davenport, Bill Hearst, Cole Trower, Planning Commissioner Holly Cuellar, Joe Bovee, Sandy Cohen, Aubrey Perry, Bailey Quarg, JB Maas, Ed Amorosso

## MEMBERS ABSENT:

Planning Commissioner John Coston, Bill Prince, Chase McConnell, Neel Singh, Reese Longwater

## CITY STAFF PRESENT:

Hank Morrison – Planning, Alexis Bailey – Planning, Victoria Eisenberg – City Attorney

### CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Lindemann called the meeting to order at 3:30 P.M.

#### **ROLL CALL:**

Hank Morrison did roll call.

# MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM 7/17/25 MEETINGS:

Motion by Bill Hearst, seconded by Sandy Cohen. The meeting minutes were approved unanimously.

## CHAIR'S REPORT and INTRODUCTIONS:

- Chair Lindemann provided an update on the flags along Shore Drive.
- Chair Lindemann discussed the Beaches and Waterways Commission's Beach Management Plan.
  - Mr. Davenport asked about whether the commission was seeking public input on the plan.

- Mr. Trower asked about the installation of trash cans where Wake Forest meets First Landing State Park.
- A motion to move the Shore Drive Phase III Presentation up to be the next item on the agenda was made by Cole Trower which was seconded by Ed Amorosso. The motion was approved unanimously.

# PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSIONS

- 1) Shore Drive Phase III Presentation
  - a. Chair Lindemann introduced Bill Purcell to provide an update on the Shore Drive Phase III Project.
    - i. Mrs. Ayers asked about the construction schedule.
    - ii. Mr. Cohen asked about the location of the shared use path and the bike lane.
    - iii. A member of the public asked about the lane closures during construction.
    - iv. Chair Lindemann asked where the public good to get information on the project.
    - v. Mr. Trower asked about the relationship between the residents of Page Harbor Avenue and the project worksite.
    - vi. Councilman Cummings asked about the installation of a Hawk Signal on Great Neck Road.
    - vii. A member of the public asked about the use of fill in raising the elevation on the road.
    - viii. A member of the public asked about road closed signs.
    - ix. A member of the public asked about the installation of signs from Beach Street to 83<sup>rd</sup> Street on the east and west sides with warnings that bicycles may be on the road.

## STAFF REPORTS

- Planning: Hank Morrison provided the dates for the Comprehensive Plan meetings September 17<sup>th</sup> at the Convention Center at 6:00 p.m. and September 18<sup>th</sup> at the Municipal Center Building 19 at 6:00 p.m.
- Public Works: There was no public works staff report.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

• COMMUNICATIONS AND OUTREACH COMMITTEE – Mrs. Ayers explained the objectives and goals to be included in the FY25 Annual Report. Additionally, she discussed the work

- being done by the Bayfront Business Coalition and possible collaboration with the City on projects.
- DESIGN & PROJECT OUTLOOK COMMITTEE Mr. Bovee discussed the project presentations that were presented at the August 7<sup>th</sup> meeting including a request for a Subdivision Variance and a Conditional Rezoning. Additionally, he discussed the goals that were created during that meeting.
- INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE Mr. Cohen provided an overview of the discussion regarding the Lake Bradford-Chubb Lake Stormwater Pump Station and Outfall Design-Build Project and concerns from the community regarding construction vehicles accessing the site through the neighborhood. Additionally, he discussed the lights on the sculpture on the Lesnar Bridge and that a work order has been submitted for the work on the lights.
- STUDENT COMMITTEE There was no student committee report.
- LYNNHAVEN BOAT RAMP COMMITEE Mrs. Crutchfield discussed a presentation to the commission regarding recommendations for the Lynnhaven Boat Ramp.

Planning Commissioner Holly Cuellar left at 4:28 p.m.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

- Vote to Adopt the FY25 Annual Report
  - A motion to approve the FY25 Annual Report was made by Cole Trower and seconded by Morgan Ayers. It was approved unanimously.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

- Mrs. Ayers asked about the maintenance of the Northampton underpass and who the contact would be for the request.
- Councilman Cummings discussed the Smart911 app.
- Mrs. Crutchfield made a motion on behalf of the Lynnhaven Boat Ramp Committee that
  it be recommended to the City to extend the contract for the armed security guard at
  the Lynnhaven Boat Ramp until the flock cameras are installed and was seconded by
  Cole Trower. The motion was passed unanimously
- Mr. Cohen asked about hearing from charter boat operators regarding a recommendation to no longer allow commercial operations from the Lynnhaven Boat Ramp.
- Mr. Davenport asked that the Beaches and Waterways Commission be included on the conversation regarding no longer allow commercial operations from the Lynnhaven Boat Ramp.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- A member of the public asked about the possibility of installing Christmas trees along Shore Drive.
- A member of the public discussed the importance of the lights on the Lesnar Bridge being kept operational.
- A member of the public asked about the inclusion of a line item in the Public Works spreadsheet regarding tree replacement at Pleasure House Point
- A member of the public asked about the inclusion of a sign at the ramp from Northampton Boulevard onto Shore Drive that the lane does not end and that a welcome to Virginia Beach sign be added near Commonwealth Brewing.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:06 P.M.

Andrea Lindemann, Chair Hank Morrison, Comprehensive Planning Administrator Alexis Bailey, Planner I