



Wednesday, March 4, 2020
 2:00 pm
 Brennan's Restaurant
 417 Royal Street, New Orleans

Livability Committee Meeting Notes

NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT
Gail Cavett		X
Beverly Fulk		X
Brittany Mulla McGovern	X	
Christian Pendleton	X	
Kim Rosenberg	X	
Adrienne Thomas		X
Lee Tucker	X	

Guests Present: Karley D. Frankic, Chris Young

- A. The meeting was called to order at 2:11
- B. Introduction of Attendees
- C. Adoption of February 2020 meeting notes Tucker moved, McGovern seconded and it passed
- D. Committee was reimagined to include infrastructure and quality of life, except for security, primarily funded by French Quarter Improvement Fund.
- E. Discussion of Livability Committee 2020 Goals Action Plan
 - a. Secure allocation of funding and contracts to repair damaged sidewalks
 - i. FQIF: \$500,000 for sidewalk & roadway cut restoration, not to be for utility cuts that they caused, but for wear and tear.
 - ii. Input of prioritized repairs, Bob Simms & Gail Cavett are working on sidewalk survey to provide guidance.
 - b. Play and active role in renegotiating City contract for sanitation services
 - i. First term of contract expires 12/14/2021 with three (3) one (1) year optional extensions.
 - ii. Mayor has said we would have a voice in the renegotiated the terms. She does not feel that the terms or spirit of the contract is being met by the current contractor
 - c. Secure allocation of funding and contracts to scope catch basins and storm drains for blockages and collapses
 - i. FQIF: \$500,000 for Sewerage & Stormwater Drainage CCTV Inspection
 - 1. 1/3 of blocks can be done in this year's budget

2. In order to do CCTV inspections or storm and sewerage, drains need to be cleaned first. Generally, need to do the third most extreme cleaning in order to scope
 - a. Catch basins
 - b. 12" pipe
 - c. Underground storm drainpipes
- ii. Need to know blocks of chronic flooding
 1. Input on problem areas to prioritize. Pendleton and Rosenberg volunteered to help identify the chronic flooding blocks. Need to balance between residential and commercial areas Starting with:
 - a. N. Rampart, (ask Sue Klein)
 - b. Royal btw Iberville and Bienville
 - c. Wilkinson Row
 - d. 900-1000 blocks of Royal
 - e. Hack stand at Jackson Square
- d. Secure funding and verify installation and repair of streetlights
 - i. FQIF: \$725,000 for 55 locations
 - ii. Identify priority installations and repairs for future funding
- e. Secure funding and verify implementation of Sanitation Ranger and Quality of Experience Officer for the French Quarter: Start with education but have the city attorneys and judge in municipal court to focus on the bad actors.
 - i. FQIF: 1 Sanitation Ranger, 1 Dept. of Public Works Inspector, 1 Dept of Safety & Permits Inspector, 1 part-time NOPD Detail Officer
 - ii. Work with City to provide French Quarter specific legal training

Mr. Young expressed concerns about heavy handed approach in the past especially with the conditions at the One Stop in City Hall. Pendleton wants to meet with all entities to let them know the intent of the Interdepartmental Compliance Team to be proactive with a sensitivity to business success. Rosenberg asked about the SPPP CEA being renegotiated to include Bourbon Street. Pendleton said that there are no prohibitions to SPPP working on Bourbon Street. McGovern reported that NO&Co. has less money due to the Fair Share deal with the City.
1. Traffic Calming & Pedestrian Safety: Traffic Calming & Pedestrian Safety: Ideas
 - a. Throughout FQ: pedestrian crossing signs, restriping some crosswalks, bouncy sign
 1. Decatur/N. Peters & Conti: landscaping & restriping plan making pedestrian crossing more visible
 2. N. Rampart: bouncing signs to separate the dedicated bike lane and river side to narrow the lane and slowing traffic, crosswalk restriping.
 3. Exploring protected lanes as part of bicycling master plan
- F. New business
 - a. Tucker reported that Where Y'at did a great article on Jackson Square with the artists carts that got pushed into the river. Should be a federal crime since that is a navigable waterway. \$22,000 raised to help the artists that lost their supplies and art works.
- G. The meeting was adjourned at 2:45