

LIVABILITY COMMITTEE

Meeting Notes
Wednesday, 4 May 2022
2:00 pm

Covenant House, Board Room 611 N. Rampart Street
New Orleans, Louisiana 70112

1. Call to Order, Reading of the Agenda, and Roll Call: The meeting was called to order at 2:05 pm and the agenda was read into the record.

ROLL CALL: COMMITTEE MEMBERS				VOTES
First Name	Last Name	Present	Absent	Approve Notes
David	Bilbe		X	
Madison	Charleston	X		
Rene	Fransen		X	
Mamie	Gasperecz	X		
Erin	Holmes	X		
Dave	Jorgensen		X	
Christian	Pendleton		X	
Frank	Perez	Χ		

INTRODUCTION OF ATTENDEES: GUESTS			
First Name	Last Name	Role	
Karley	Frankic	Executive Director	

2. Public Comment

No written public comment or request for live comment were received at the conclusion of the reading of the agenda.

3. Approval of previous meeting notes

There was not a quorum present to approve the previous meeting notes.

4. Committee Chair Comments by Mamie Gasperecz



Ms. Gasperecz opened the meeting by thanking Covenant House for hosting the committee meetings. Ms. Gasperecz reported that she will remain the Chair of the Livability Committee as she is still on the Board of the Vieux Carre Commission Foundation. Also, the Acting Chair of the VCC has named Ms. Gasperecz as his designee to remain a commissioner of the FQMD Board of Commissioners.

a. Committee membership nomination of Graham Williams

Ms. Gasperecz reviewed Graham Williams bio for his nomination to the committee. The Board will vote on his nomination at the May 9th meeting.

b. Keep the Quarter Clean Launch

The car magnets and window stickers are now available and will be announced at the Board meeting. She is working with Mr. Williams and will follow up with Patrick Hernandez of the Young Leadership Council for launching public media around the launch. She and Ms. Frankic will be promoting the campaign at the next New Orleans Chamber Power Hour where Vivid Ink, our vendor, will also be presenting. VCC has signed off on the window stickers.

c. Lighting Assessment volunteers

Ms. Gasperecz and Ms. Frankic have a zoom meeting with Dave Jorgensen tomorrow to talk about onboarding the volunteer corps for the lighting assessment. Mrs. Holmes asked if she should put out a call for more volunteers? How many needed and what time commitments. Frankic and Gasperecz will report back after their call. Beverly Fulk is also providing locations and pictures of known missing poles which Ms. Frankic is uploading into the 311 online portal.

5. Presentation of "The French Quarter Color Collection" by Vieux Carré Commission Foundation Executive Director, Brook Tesler

Ms. Tesler was not able to attend the meeting, so Ms. Gasperecz shared the color palate with the committee.

6. Presentation of an Update on Tour Guide Regulations by Frank Perez

Mr. Perez reported that the Cemeteries Division launched their reservation system and it is fraught with problems. There is no update to the ordinance amendment. There will be a public meeting later this month. There were no follow up action items from the City from the last public meeting. It was a presentation and then comments from the attendees. Ms. Holmes said that residents provided feedback that they did support smaller groups, but maybe not as low as 14, should find a middle group so there are not just more tour groups on the streets and clocking sidewalks. Mrs. Charleston said that the large groups block sidewalks and interfere with ADA compliance.

7. Upcoming Events – VCPORA Mother's Day Concert



VCPORA will host their Mother's Day concert a week late due to conflict with Jazz Fest. The event is sponsored by Gulf Coast Bank & Trust. They are looking for volunteers to help.

8. New business – To consider and take action upon any other matters that may properly come before the French Quarter Management District Livability Committee

Ms. Gasperecz reported that before the next meeting she will have her notes from all of her meetings with partners in the homeless assistance sphere. St. Mark's and Unity are the last groups she needs to meet.

Ms. Frankic reports that the FQEDD midyear budget adjustment is proceeding and on May 23rd the CAO's staff will be attending a Finance & Development Committee meeting. Homeless case management outreach and lighting are being discussed for inclusion in that budget adjustment. Ms. Gasperecz reported that she and Ms. Frankic are working to pull together public safety officials and Dept. of Public Works, and VCC for a lighting summit to help inform that budget adjustment. The committee discussed additional lighting on Bourbon Street was a recommendation by the NOPD Quality-of-Life officers. The committee suggested inviting the Quality-of-Life Officers to the next committee meeting.

9. Next meeting date - 1 June 2022

The next scheduled meeting of the committee is Wednesday, June 1st at 2:00pm

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:57 pm



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Proposed Additions to the Membership

Graham Williams: Proposed Committee Member

Graham Williams is a litigator and business counselor at Sternberg, Naccari, & White, LLC. Graham's general business and litigation practice focuses on complex commercial conflicts, real estate disputes and land use, and employment issues.

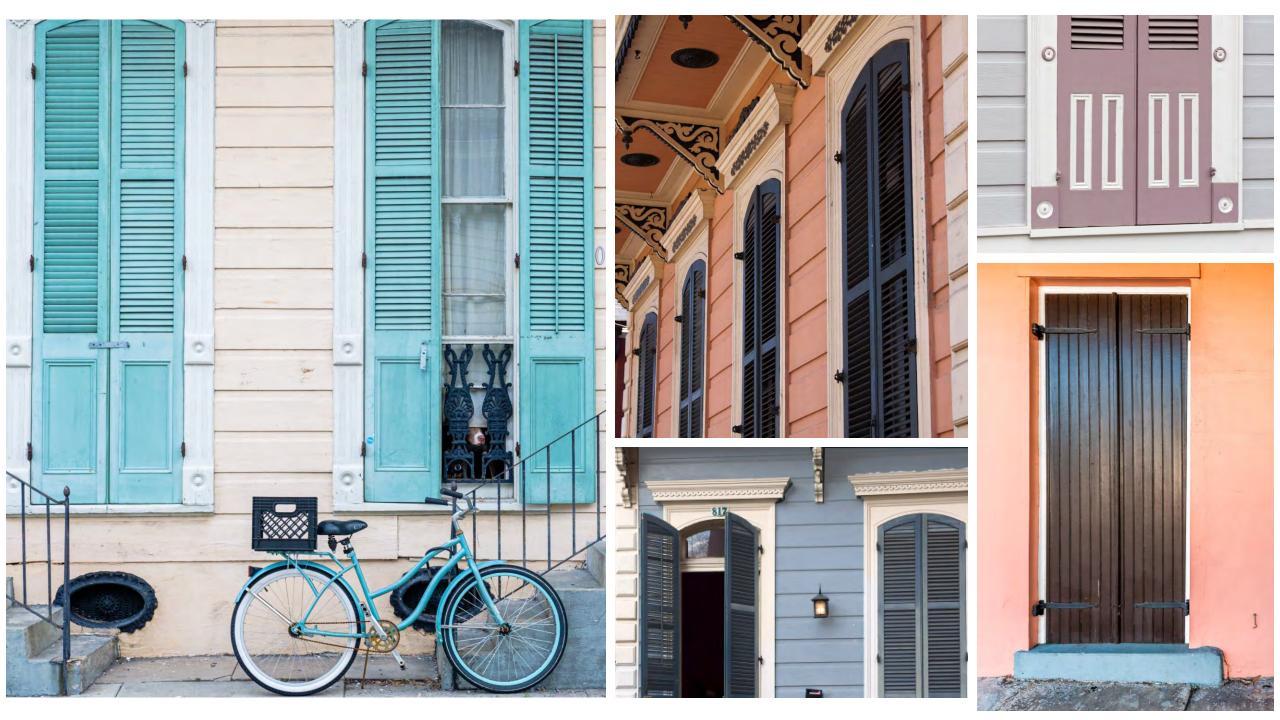
A New Orleans area native, Graham received his B.A. from the University of Virginia before returning home to New Orleans to pursue his J.D. from Tulane.

A passionate advocate for multiple community and social causes, Graham has served on the Tulane Law Dean's Advisory Board, on the Boys Hope Girls Hope junior board, and as his class captain for Jesuit's annual gift campaign.

Graham currently serves as a board member for the Young Leadership Council, where he co-chairs the popular Wednesday at the Square concert series, which impacts downtown New Orleans through a direct spend of over \$750,000 into the city's cultural economy. Graham's personal passions include running, trying new restaurants, and studying and making wine.

Having lived in River Ridge, Uptown, the CBD, and the Seventh Ward, Graham achieved a life-long dream of moving to the French Quarter in October 2021. He plans to never live anywhere else.

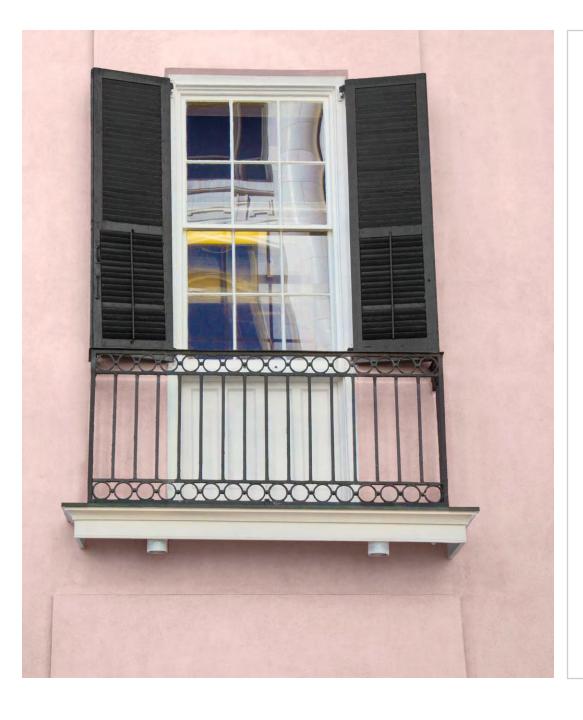






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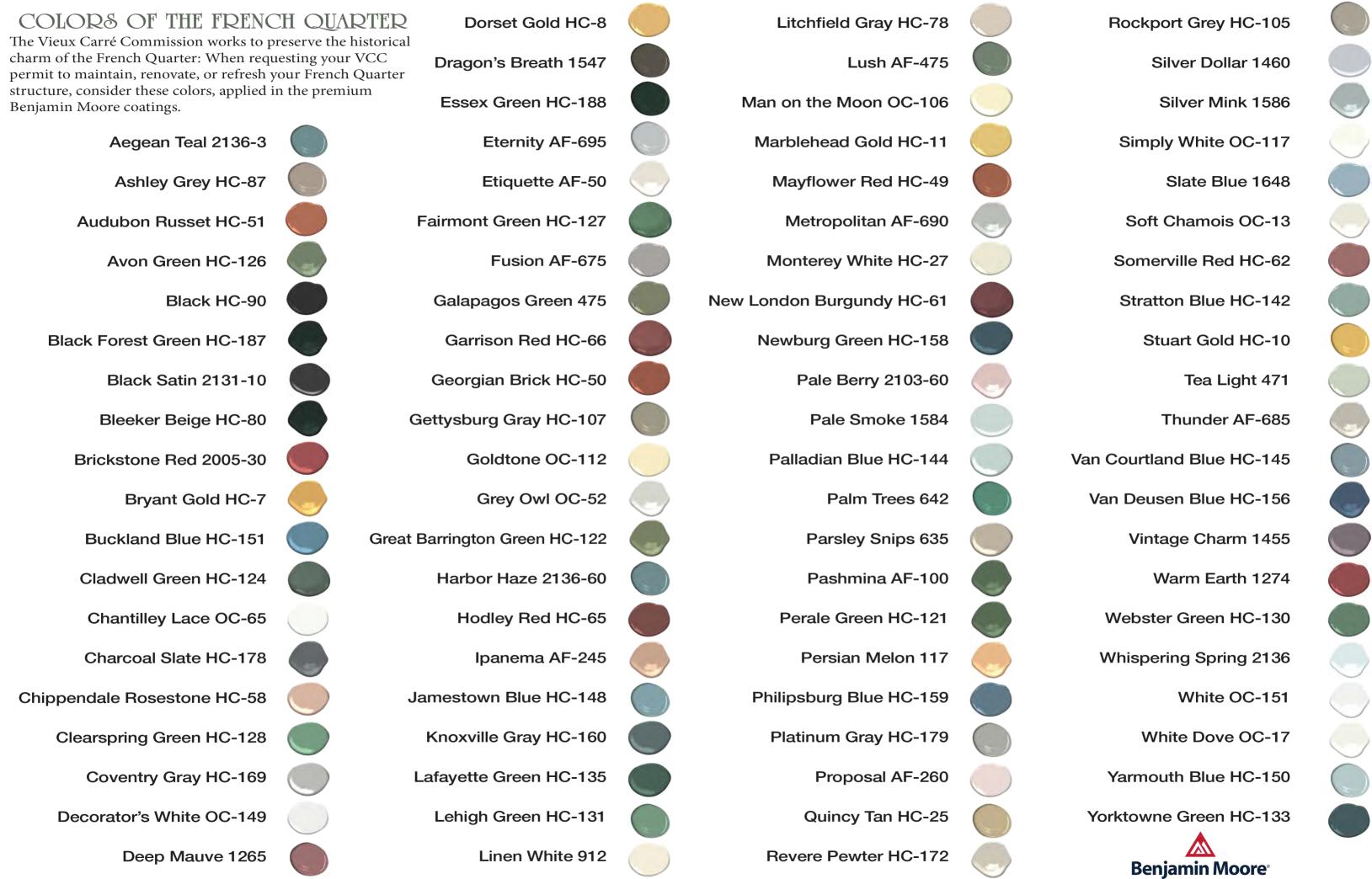
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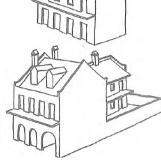
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Architectural Style

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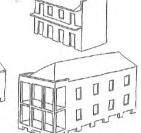
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- Greek Revival
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