

LIVABILITY COMMITTEE

Meeting Notes Monday, 1 April 2024, 3:00 pm

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

1. Call to Order, Reading of the Agenda, and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 3:10 pm and the agenda was read into the record.

| ROLL | | | | |
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| First Name | Last Name | Present | Absent | Approve Meeting Notes |
| Madison | Charleston | Χ | | Yes |
| Rene | Fransen | Χ | | Yes |
| Mamie | Gasperecz | Χ | | Yes |
| Erin | Holmes | Χ | | Yes |
| Christian | Pendleton | | Χ | - |
| Graham | Williams | | Χ | - |
| Antonio | Carbone | Χ | | Yes |

| INTRODUCTION OF ATTENDEES: GUESTS | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|------------------|--|
| First Name | Last Name | Role | |
| Shelby | Ursu | FQMD Coordinator | |

2. Public Comment:

No written public comment was received.

3. Motion – Consider a motion to approve the previous meeting notes

Rene Fransen motioned to approve the previous meeting notes. Maddie Charleston seconded the motion, and it was approved.

4. Committee Chair's Comments

Chair Mamie Gasperecz thanked the Committee for their attendance and their patience with her schedule. She thanked Vice-Chair Erin Holmes for leading last month's Committee meeting.

5. Discussion – Discussion by Committee of North Rampart Infrastructure and Safety Updates. To Present: Erin Holmes and Antonio Carbone

Antonio Carbone reported that there were meetings last week regarding the North Rampart Requests for Proposals with two of the bidders. He stated that the flashing beacons project has been rewarded to Traffic Commander, and the details and permits are currently being ironed out. He noted that the flashing beacons will be installed at the intersection of St. Ann Street and St. Philp Street. Mr. Carbone reported that the proposals for the methacrylate (MMA) paint were higher than the team expected, adding that he is working with Louis Haywood at the Department of Public Works (DPW) to revise the scope of work. He stated that one block of the bike lane treatment may need to be eliminated to help reduce the costs. The two bidders for the MMA paint are Pavement Markings LLC and Traffic Commander, and Mr. Carbone stated that follow up conversations with these

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bidders are underway in order to discuss how to get this project into the allotted budget. He added that the team needs the updated calculations of the exact square footage with the MMA paint for the revised scope of work, which Louis Haywood will be the point of contact for. He added that the team is still determining what type of flex posts to use, stating that he is waiting for feedback from the contractors. Mr. Carbone pointed out that the bidders said that these projects amount to a week of work. He stated that the flashing beacons are the main priority, followed by the MMA paint, the enhanced flex posts, and lastly, the curb extension treatments.

- 6. Discussion Update on Supplemental Sanitation Glass Half Full Recycling for Gulf Coast Restoration.
 - a. Update on French Quarter Glass Recycling Drop Off Locations

Ms. Holmes reported that the original date to start the glass recycling was set for April 1st but will be delayed while the agreements for each of the three locations are being created. She stated that the locations will be the Eighth District station, the Jazz Museum, and Cabrini Park. Ms. Holmes noted that she spoke with Larry Barabino regarding using Cabrini Park, and he sent her a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement that she is looking to refine. She noted that Glass Half Full could potentially use the sidewalk in front of Cabrini Park, as long as the containers don't block the right of way. She pointed out that the containers will only be out for three hours a day, one day a week. Ms. Holmes added that she is waiting to receive an agreement from the New Orleans Recreation Development Commission.

7. Discussion – Update on Supplemental Sanitation – Order of Additional Trash Receptacles. To Present: Karley D. Frankic

See attached document. Shelby Ursu reported that the order for the 100 additional trash receptacles has been placed, adding that there will be 10 additional liners and 10 additional doors included in the order. She noted that the cost increased by 5% from 2023, but the order is still within the budget. Ms. Holmes stated that when Ms. Frankic is back in town a trash can location survey needs to be scheduled.

8. Discussion – Update on Streetlight Repairs and Survey Fieldwork. To Present: Karley D. Frankic

Ms. Ursu reported that last month Ms. Frankic, Ms. Holmes, and Jessica Dietz conducted streetlight fieldwork that focused on the NOPD crime hotspots, noting that of the 90 streetlights surveyed, 1/3rd were not properly functioning. She noted that this information has been sent to the DPW, and the DPW is now working on an Invitation to Bid that will detail the individual streetlights that need repairs. The \$150,000 budget allocated towards streetlight maintenance will be prioritized towards the lights located in the crime hotspots and the lights with low-cost repairs. Ms. Holmes stated that a lot of discussion has been going on about repairing the lights before the 2025 Super Bowl, noting that this is a good opportunity to leverage as much as possible. She encouraged the Committee members to send any updates or opportunities regarding the streetlights to her. Ms. Charleston asked if anyone knew if there was a set color temperature for the lights, noting that a number of individuals have complained about the bright blue LED lights. Ms. Holmes suggested finding out who to contact at the DPW to discuss this concern to see if there are guidelines in place, noting that once Ms. Frankic is back in town, she may know the person of contact for this issue. She encouraged the Committee members to take photos of the correct lights as well as the LED lights so that the images can be sent to the DPW to showcase examples.

9. Discussion - Discussion by Committee of Keep Louisiana Beautiful Love the Boot Week Event Preparations

Ms. Ursu reported that the Keep the Quarter Clean Love the Boot Week event will be a cleanup of Esplanade Avenue on Sunday, April 21st, at 10 AM. She stated that she has received a supply box from Keep Louisiana Beautiful with supplies for 25 volunteers. Ms. Gasperecz reported that the hotels in the French Quarter have a requirement that their staff volunteer community service hours. Ms. Ursu noted that she is waiting on a final headcount of volunteers from the Four Seasons, and she will reach out to Commissioners David Bilbe, Steve Caputo, and Frank Zumbo to see if they have hotel staff who are interested in joining the event. She added that Osprey Initiative is sending recycling bags to the FQMD office, and they will be taking care of transporting all the recycled items collected to a recycling facility. Ms. Charleston stated that, if FQMD needs any additional supplies, Home Depot donates small items for cleanup events. Ms. Gasperecz suggested that FQMD staff speak with Ellie Rand Public Relations (ERPR) at the marketing meeting next week to discuss the details of the event to see if ERPR has ideas of spreading public awareness. Ms. Ursu stated that if any Committee members would like to volunteer, to reach out to her or Ms. Frankic.

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10. New Business—To consider and take action upon any other matters that may properly come before the French Quarter Management District Livability Committee

Mr. Fransen asked the Committee if they had any information about the streetlights that are missing on Esplanade Avenue-specifically in front of 1002 and 932 Esplanade Avenue. He stated that these lights need to be replaced or repaired. Ms. Holmes stated that they are most likely included in the \$2M streetlight repair report that the DPW recently created. Ms. Gasperecz encouraged the Committee to keep the matter on their radar.

11. Next Meeting Date:

The next scheduled meeting of the Committee is Monday, May 6th, 2024, at 3:00 pm.

12. Adjournment

Mr. Carbone made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Fransen seconded the motion, and the meeting was adjourned at 3:47 pm.

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SHIPPED TO: KARLEY FRANKIC

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French Quarter KPI Reporting for the month of March

99%

Of 3x per week and daily pressure washing completed; incompletions due to construction, crime, movie filming, and other unforeseen detours



in March

98% Street Flushing Completed





100% of monthly pressure washing blocks completed



Instances of speeding 5+ miles over the speed limit over 120 routes in **February**



Detail litter can cleanings by our supplemental crew







