

February 25, 2021

Village Commission Meeting Recap Summary

1. Presentations
 - a. Employee of the Month - Rodolfo Santana, Multi-Task Clerical Specialist, is our February 2021 Employee of the Month! Mr. Santana was nominated due to his morale-building attitude, communication skills, and professional ability to step in to help his colleagues without hesitation. Congratulations!
 - b. Black History Month Proclamation – Vice Mayor Marvin Wilmoth presented this proclamation which declared February 2021 as Black History Month in North Bay Village.
 - c. Congresswoman Maria Elvira Salazar announced that her office will have weekly office hours at North Bay Village Hall on Thursdays from 1-4 pm by appointment. Constituents can schedule appointments by calling (305)668-2285.
2. Village Manager's Report
 - a. Village grant updates – Grant writer LaKeesha Morris-Moreau, MSW, GPC shared the 2020 report which highlighted that 2020 was the most successful year of grants awarded in the Village's history, with total awards amounting to \$13,450,991 for the 2019-2020 fiscal year.
3. Short Term Rentals
 - a. The commission opposes state legislation (a Florida House of Representatives Bill) that would preempt local regulation of short-term rentals, including undoing NBV's local registration, inspection or licensing requirements. Please contact [House Regulatory Reform Subcommittee members](#) to oppose HB219.
4. First Reading of Ordinances
 - a. Prohibiting Fishing From Public Property, Viaducts, Bridges, and Restricted Areas
 - i. The Commission passed this item 5-0 to prohibit fishing from Village property, including bridges within the Village, the Island Walk, Vogel Park and the village's dog park on East Drive. This ordinance is intended to protect the safety of swimmers and pedestrians. It is also intended to reduce litter left behind from individuals fishing in this area. Public fishing is allowed at Pelican Harbor, a short walk outside of NBV. This item will be on the March agenda for second reading.
 - b. Seawall Design Criteria Package
 - i. The Commission passed this item 5-0 to enact proposed minimum standards for new and redeveloped seawalls in the Village. The minimum standards require that new seawalls be designed to last for at least 25 years and that they be built to a 5.94 feet NAVD elevation standard, meaning the tops of seawalls would be approximately 5.74 feet above the water level at high tide in Biscayne Bay. These seawall standards are intended to protect the Village against significant weather events and flooding. This applies only to new seawalls and ones being substantially redeveloped.
 - c. Sustainability Code Amendments
 - i. The Commission passed this item 3-2 to introduce a number of amendments focusing on sustainability and resilience to the Village Code, including a Green Building Program that incentivizes such things as Green walls, electric vehicle charging stations, and solar panels in all new construction (from single-family homes to large, multi-use buildings).
5. Public Hearings
 - a. Island Walk Design Criteria Package

- i. Get ready for the Island Walk! The Commission passed this item 5-0 to enact proposed design guidelines for the Island Walk along the northern shoreline of Treasure. The Design Criteria Package creates guidelines regarding landscaping, lighting, seating, surfacing and other components of the Island Walk's design.
 - ii. The discussion occurs at 3:06:31 in the [Village Commission Meeting Video](#). To view the Island Walk design, [click here](#).
 - b. Comprehensive Plan Amendment Relating to NBV100
 - i. NBV100 is on its way! The Commission passed this item 5-0 to enact proposed amendments to the Village's Comprehensive Plan, focusing on guidelines for future commercial land use. The guidelines will be consistent with the NBV100 Master Plan, [which can be found here](#). It will be possible for new buildings on commercial lots used for high-density residential development to build more housing units per acre, but with concessions such as workforce housing and green walls. The ordinance is revised from first reading and was reviewed by a variety of government agencies, from the Miami-Dade County Public School System to the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and the Department of Transportation.
 - ii. The discussion occurs at 3:09:32 in the [Village Commission Meeting Video](#). For more information on NBV100, [click here](#).
 - c. NBV100 Form-Based Code for Kennedy Boulevard District
 - i. NBV100 is coming to Kennedy Causeway! The Commission passed this item 5-0 to enact the NBV100 Form-Based Code that applies to all properties directly on Kennedy Causeway on Treasure Island. This ordinance defines the types of buildings and uses allowed on these properties, including specifications of building height, building density, and Island Walk requirements.
 - ii. The discussion occurs at 4:23:28 in the [Village Commission Meeting Video](#). For more information on NBV100, [click here](#).
 - d. Adoption of Chapter 104 "Construction Site Maintenance" in the North Bay Village Code of Ordinances
 - i. Look forward to tidier construction in North Bay Village! The Commission voted 5-0 to enact construction site maintenance requirements into the Village code, to ensure that construction sites are cleaner, better neighbors to our residents. This ordinance would allow the Village to issue fines and, if needed, order that construction stop until the site complies with the maintenance requirements. Proposed requirements for construction sites include proper watering to reduce the creation of dust, not allowing dumpsters to be overfilled, and clearing loose debris from the site ahead of any severe weather event. The ordinance is revised from first reading to create a tiered fine structure that charges larger fines to multifamily and commercial construction sites and lower fines to construction sites for single family homes.
 - ii. The discussion occurs at 4:25:49 in the [Village Commission Meeting Video](#). To view the updated ordinance, [click here](#).
- 6. New Business Items
 - a. Advisory Board Appointments
 - i. Welcome new board members! [Camila Cisneros](#) (Heart of the Bay Task Force), [Kevin Vericker](#) (Heart of the Bay Task Force), and [Ruslanas Byckovas](#) (Community Enhancement Board) were added to North Bay Village advisory boards.

- ii. The discussion occurs at 4:26:55 in the [Village Commission Meeting Video](#). To learn more about the new board members, click their names above.
 - b. Vogel Park Marine Facility Surveying, Permitting Strategy & Conceptual Design Proposal
 - i. Exciting changes are coming to Vogel Park! The Commission passed this item 5-0 to approve a work order of \$30,952.33 for EAC Consulting to perform surveying, permitting, conceptual design, and public outreach services in preparation for Vogel Park to provide kayak access and a dock for the Village police boat. Portions of this work will be paid for using the \$100,000 grant awarded to the Village by the Florida Inland Navigation District as well as the \$50,000 grant awarded for this project by the Florida Recreation Development Assistance Program.
 - ii. The discussion occurs at 4:37:43 in the [Village Commission Meeting Video](#). To view technical details on the work being done, [click here](#).
 - c. SFM Landscape Maintenance Service Contract
 - i. Tell us your ideas about landscaping in the Village! The Commission passed this item 5-0 to approve a contract with SFM Services for landscaping at a cost of \$114,000 annually, which is within the Village's \$115,000 annual landscaping budget, and to approve \$5,000 in spending on a mower, edger, weed eater, and a transport trailer for the Village to be able to supplement SFM's landscaping services during the rainy season and on an emergency landscaping basis.
 - ii. The discussion occurs at 4:58:24 in the [Village Commission Meeting Video](#). To view technical details on the work being done, [click here](#).
 - d. Resolution Urging FDOT to Implement an Improved Bridge Opening Schedule
 - i. The Village is tackling issues with the Causeway bridges! The Commission passed this item 5-0 to transmit to the Florida Department of Transportation a resolution urging an improved bridge opening schedule, in which the bridges on the causeway are kept down during morning and evening rush hour.
 - ii. The discussion occurs at 4:58:24 in the [Village Commission Meeting Video](#). To view the resolution being transmitted to FDOT, [click here](#).
- 7. Redevelopment Timeline for Sakura Site
 - i. Changes are planned at 1335 Kennedy! The Commission gave direction to the Village Manager to continue full speed ahead on completing the procedural requirements that prepare the Village for the development of a municipal complex and fire station at 1335 Kennedy Causeway.
 - ii. The discussion occurs at 5:06:06 in the [Village Commission Meeting Video](#). To view more information on the project, [click here](#).