

## **ERC MEETING MINUTES NOVEMBER 6, 2014**

Attendance: Mindy Piantanida, Curtis Johnson, Kenny Simunovic, Gary Kinder, Brian Henry, Dave Gustafson and Rene Raymond.

Guests: Adam Phillips (NDC), Steve Panagiotakis (Bright Future). Tom Orehowsky (Run/Walk Consultant).

Meeting officially opened at 9:00 am.

- I. Installation of Replacement Lights with Adam and Steve: Beacon, the manufacturer of the lights, is estimating for the lights to be received by November 21<sup>st</sup>. Adam is attempting to receive the lights ahead of time and is estimating approximately 1 – 2 hours per light for installation. Adam did temporary repairs on every other light. Curtis explained the Police department is concerned about the nine (9) lights that are out and would like to begin there. The lights at the skate park will be done last because the lights are currently on 24 hours. Adam's goal is to make sure there will not be any area that will be totally dark. They would like to begin in the Blues area. Adam stated some new and existing lights will fulfill the immediate goal. Steve is hoping to have all the lights finished in two weeks. Safety certifications will take place upon completion of the installation. Curtis is concerned about evening safety and remarked the lights will assist in keeping the area safe. Curtis explained that Kenny will be continuing to review the cameras to make sure the brightness of the lights does not impact the visual. The glare will not be in the new lights. Dave asked if the lights were on a separate circuit. Curtis is concerned that if the circuit was shut off, the cameras would shut off. Blankets might be able to be attached to the rim of the light to dim the lighting. Jim is concerned there is a lot of effort being placed to fix the lights and does not want anything done to break them. The plan is to start at the circle and work east, then come back to the circle and work west.
- II. Public Works and Utilities
  - a. MOT for the Regatta: Dave is requesting Jim coordinate MOT with Allen. Jim is requesting for Dave to request information from Palmetto on the bridge closing for July 4<sup>th</sup>. We will then incorporate into our plan and resubmit to DOT. Dave is working on the timing. Dave was suggesting 2 am. Curtis is suggesting 5 am. Dave is concerned about the cones and signage. The far west lane needs to be open for emergencies. Dave described that 12 different Vendors with 10 x 10 tents serving food and beverages (no alcohol) will be taking up a lane. Jim explained that Vendors need to be added to the permit. Dave stated they are placing a 4' fence close to the jersey barrier on the east side to fulfill DOT permit requirements.

- b. Cigarette Litter Prevention Program: The scan was done and sent to Keep Manatee Beautiful. The nine new receptacles have been received but they do not match. We are requesting new receptacles to match.
  - c. Gary requested PD help. Graffiti took place last night in the bowl, south side of the bridge. Gary is planning to pressure wash and seal the bowl every quarter and will need PD to help to shut down for the day. Kenny requested signage stating "Skate Park Closed". Dave requested an email for the date it will happen so he can notify his list of skaters. Gary is planning to utilize cones and barricades.
  - d. Gary explained the Homeless are locking themselves in the bathroom at the Pavilion and damaging the bathrooms including paint. Gary is requesting PD help to make sure nobody is in the restroom when they lock it at 11 pm.
  - e. The Splash pad is under warranty. Gary needs to shut down for a week and tear out the rubber back and redo it. There are a lot of seams. Curtis suggested putting a 2' - 3' gate around the splash pad to prevent bikes from getting in. The sidewalk was installed. New handrails were installed at the Pavilion.
  - f. Kenny will let Gary know which trees are blocking the WIFI signal.
  - g. Gary's crew is starting the shell at the broken curbing. The pathway will be 22' wider.
  - h. Banners on the light poles, towers and cameras need to be installed for the Regatta.
- III. Post Event Review
- a. Halloween Main Street Live Merchants were upset they needed to shut down at 11 pm. Main Street Live will be taking place on November 20<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. On the 26<sup>th</sup> they don't plan to have bars on the streets.
- IV. Realize Bradenton
- a. Blues: Security will remain the same number as last year. They will expand the police hours by 1 hour.
- V. DDA
- a. Signs updated at Riverwalk: Dave is working on this project.
- VI. Miscellaneous
- a. Verizon: Dave stated contract negotiations continue.

Meeting adjourned 10:02 am.