

**CENTRAL BEACH ALLIANCE MEMBERSHIP MEETING**  
Wednesday Sept. 27, 2017 – 7:00 pm W Hotel, Fort Lauderdale

Board Member: John Weaver, Karen Turner, Monty Lalwani, Bob Golden, Arnold Gold

Call to order: 7:11 pm

John Weaver addressed the CBA announcing his resignation as President due to his ongoing battle with cancer. Karen Turner was elected by the board to serve as President.

Ratification of the Board: Karen Turner, President. John Weaver, Vice President. Monty Lalwani, Sec/Treasurer. Director Bob Golden and Arnold Gold.

**Shiau Ching Low from FtL Transportation and Mobility Dept.** presented the parking plan (striping for the North Beach Village area).

**Commissioner Dean Trantalis update:** Applauded John Weaver's legacy as President of the CBA. Updated the hurricane debris pickup and sand removal. There is not enough trucks and manpower to speed the process. Regarding beach projects and build out, he wants to keep as much openness at the beach, and not try to "Manhattanize" it.

**Courtney Crush, Attorney** gave a presentation on the request by Shooters to convert their upstairs which is currently offices, to a private dining area. 83 additional parking spaces are needed, and can be provided in the Tides parking garage, which currently has 350 metered spaces available.

Courtney also reported that the Beach Boys Plaza is moving forward, but nothing new to report. Located just south of the now A1AAND Las Olas Parking Lot.

Courtney reported that Bo's Beach House is a work in progress. Delays have been caused by permitting issues. Located where the old "Oasis Café" was next to the Illini Condominiums.

**Stephanie Toothaker Attorney** updated the project at 3001 N Ocean Blvd. It is a former gas station. It has gone through DRC and is proposing 7 story Condominium (84 ft) with 16 units and retail space on ground level.

Stephanie also reported that the land swap between the City of FtL property on Alhambra (currently city parking) and the former Natchez property on Vista Mar is final.

Stephanie updated the Marriott development (just west of the Casablanca Café) is in final DRC.

**Karen Turner, President of CBA**, announced decision by the BOD that still only Businesses on the Beach can be (non-voting members for \$50 and a Sponsor for \$250) But any Business not located on the Beach may become a Sponsor of the CBA for \$250.00 (non-voting) and will have sponsorship advertising on the CBA website.

**Karen announced ongoing events and meeting dates:**

Next CBA membership meeting November 30 at the Bahia Mar

CBA Holiday Party December 6 at the Bahia Mar "Captain's Quarters"

Friday Night Sound Waves continues at the Hub through Nov. 10th

Rip Tide Festival is December 2 and 3 at the South end of the Beach.

### **BAHIA MAR Presentation:**

Attorney Robert Lochrie, Scott Lemont (EDSA), and Koby Karp, architect, presented the new plans for development of the Bahia Mar. No waivers, no exceptions, and no variances are being requested. They are through DRC and are resolving requests from them. Planning & Zoning is scheduled for October 18, 2017.

Scott Lemont and Koby Karp gave an overview of the plans. The hotel will be 11 stories with 256 rooms. There will be 7 residential buildings and 8 other buildings on the property with a total of 651 units of residential. Which is much lower than what it allowed. One is a garage that will house the Boat Show. An agreement has been made with the Boat Show for 30 years plus. All the buildings have below grade parking. There will be a Grocery store and Restaurants. Promenade along the Water on the south end. The phasing of the project will likely not begin for 12-18 months and will last 10 or more years.

Membership comments on this project included: Too much density, asking for the developer to expand their rebuilding of the infrastructure to include areas beyond their property. Many of the CBA members were seeing this revised proposal for the first time. Karen encouraged the membership to go to the P & Z meeting on October 18, 2017 and have their voice heard on the project.

Meeting adjourned: 9:17 pm.

