

CORAL GABLES GREEN TASK FORCE
YOUTH CENTER – CONFERENCE ROOM
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 25TH, 2014, 9:00 A.M.

- MEETING MINUTES -

MEMBERS	O	N	D	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	APPOINTED BY:
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Anabella Smith									P				C. G. Chamber of Commerce
Kimberly Brown									P				City Commission
Jose Barros									P				City Commission
Hung V. Nguyen									P				City Commission
Humberto Speziani									P				University of Miami
Julie Petrella Arch									P				City Commission
Miroslav Mladenovic									E				City Commission
Nati Soto									P				City Commission
Sallye Jude									P				City Commission
Sharon Trbovich									P				Garden Club

A – Absent
P – Present
E – Excused
(*) no meeting

STAFF:

Jessica Keller, Assistant Public Works Director
Sonia Succar, Environmental Analyst
Kenneth Ingersoll, Project Coordinator

CALL TO ORDER:

The Chairperson, Ms. Trbovich called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

ROLL CALL:

The Chairperson, Ms. Trbovich proceeded with the roll call.

GUEST: Ken Thompson, Cold Plus

Mr. Thompson discussed the application of ColdPlus treatment product that can be injected into air conditioning systems. He stated that at the end of 5 years of a new air conditioning unit, 18% of the cooling capacity deteriorates because of internal oil build up. The ColdPlus treatment is a one-time application that is done after the air conditioning unit has been cleaned and checked. The treatment reverses the cooling loss and restores the cooling capacity of the unit by delivering cooler temperatures at the vent of 2-10 degrees.

Mr. Thompson added that the treatment is made available through the homeowner's regular air conditioning contractor and usually costs no more than \$200.00 for the treatment. He also said that it is available to large apartment complexes as well as office buildings and private residential homes.

Bike Master Plan Update:

Jessica Keller said that the Bike Master Plan has been adopted by the City Commission and that Public Works is currently working on the first phase implementation plan. She went on to say that there has been good support for the "Friday Morning Mosey" bike ride through the Gables that occurs on the second and fourth Fridays of every month. She invited all members of the Task Force to participate and to forward the invitation to their friends and relatives.

Sustainability Master Plan Update:

Sonia Succar stated that the City is still negotiating with the selected consultant RS&H and is hoping to have negotiations finalized and presented to the City Commission by July or August at the latest. She added that meetings with stakeholders are still taking place and will continue to take place to help determine what will be included in the plan. She stated there will be a City Operations part and Community visioning part to the plan that will include extensive input by the Community and the Green Task Force as well. The Consultant will come to the Green Task Force to do a presentation for the planned content of the plan. She further stated that street lights will also be a part of the plan and that the City is looking into not only alternatives for the maintenance to the lights but also retrofitting to LED fixtures. She went on to say that some decorative lights in the downtown area will be retrofitted soon.

Neighborhood Tree Succession Plan Update:

Sonia Succar said that the Tree Succession Plan was adopted by the City Commission. She went on to say that the Consultant has developed a comprehensive database that will help with the tracking of the tree quantities, types and locations throughout the City. She also said that it is estimated to take approximately two years for the replacement of all the trees included in the plan.

Chairperson Items:

Sharon Trbovich asked the Board Members to send her a list of things that they would like to see discussed and addressed in the upcoming year. She stated that these items would be added to future agendas for discussion and vote.

She also asked the Board Members to start thinking about ideas for an event to take place on Earth Day 2015. She stated that last year because of the missed meetings and lack of quorums, there wasn't enough time to plan for the event. She went on to ask the Board Members to please be present at the meetings to ensure that a quorum is available to vote on these ideas.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 10:00 am.