## CITY OF CORAL GABLES LANDSCAPE BEAUTIFICATION ADVISORY BOARD

Minutes of Meeting, March 5, 2015 War Memorial Youth Center, Conference Room

MEMBERS	Α	M	J	J	Α	S	0	N	D	J	F	M	
Ana Martin-Lavielle	P	P	P	-	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	E	Mayor Jim Cason
Anna Louise Fulks	P	P	P	-	-	P	P	P	P	P	P	P	Vice-Mayor William H. Kerdyk, Jr.
Alexander Adams	P	P	P	-	-	P	P	P	P	Α	P	P	Comm. Pat Keon
Barbara Perez	P	P	P	-	-	P	P	P	Ε	P	P	P	Comm. Vince Lago
Kay Murff	P	P	P			P	P	P	P	P	P	P	Comm. Frank C. Quesada
Robert Berman	P	P	P			P	E	P	P	P	P	P	City Manager, Cathy Swanson-Rivenbark
Paul Zamek	P	Α	P	-	-	P	P	E	P	P	P	E	Board as a Whole

A = Absent

STAFF:

Brook Dannemiller, Public Service Director, Board Secretary

Aylin Hernandez, Clerical Assistant, Recording Secretary

P = Present
E = Excused

## **GUESTS:**

Judy Mangasarian, Coral Gables Garden Club Jana White, Coral Gables Garden Club Charlotte Smiley, Coral Gables Garden Club

**OPEN MEETING:** The Vice Chair, Anna Louise Fulks, opened the meeting at 8:37 a.m., the roll was taken and a quorum was present. A motion was made to "Approve the minutes of February 5, 2015. The motion was seconded, voted upon and adopted unanimously." Jana White and Charlotte Smiley were introduced.

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

ARBOR DAY PLANNING: Discussion developed on the Children's Program. Ms. Smiley will use a participation activity with the children. Ms. Murff mentioned that Ms. Cardentey from the Growing Place had confirmed attendance. Ms. Perez mentioned that Somerset Elementary could be invited. Mr. Dannemiller will look into the street closure to ensure public safety. The Youth Center parking lot will be available. The agenda was reviewed. Ms. Perez advised that the featured speaker had not confirmed attendance. She will look into participation of the Ponce Middle School students. Ms. Murff advised that she extended an invitation to Kathy's family and the Bach Society. A request was made to extend an invitation to the Task Green Task Force. Ms. Martin-Lavielle will provide the music.

A TRIBUTE TO KATHY GAUBATZ: The Board reviewed the proposed plaque layouts. The Board selected Ms. Mangasarian and Mr. Zamek to approve the final layout. The Garden Club will select the vendor and procure the plaque. Public Service will provide the stone base and the mounting.

LANDSCAPE BEAUTIFICATION AWARDS: An inquiry was made on the attendance of the award recipients. Ms. Hernandez will advise.

UPDATE ON MISCELLANEOUS CITY PROJECTS: The City projects are on schedule. The Venetian Pool plant materials should be installed soon. An inquiry was made on the Million Orchid Project. Mr. Dannemiller advised the project should begin in a couple of months. The Tree Succession Plan is scheduled to go before the Commission on March 10<sup>th</sup>. An inquiry was made on the City trees that will be donated. Mr. Dannemiller advised that the Procurement Code allows the City to donate surplus inventory to non-profits organizations within City limits for planting in public spaces. A comment was made on donating trees to the school behind Publix. The Country Club Project is moving forward in the permitting process. The Miracle Mile Streetscape Project is at the framework level.

DISCUSSION: Mr. Adams mentioned that the Library's landscape improvements should take place before the Arbor Day Celebration. Ms. Murff complimented the Landscape Architect that attended the Farmer's Market workshop. She inquired on the names of the staff that assisted.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:09 a.m.

APPROVED:

Ana Martin-Lavielle, Chair

ATTEST:

Brook Dannemiller, Secretary

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD THURSDAY, APRIL 2, 2015, 8:30 a.m.

Youth Center Conference Room, 405 University Drive, Coral Gables, Florida