

**MINUTES
PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD
CITY OF DELRAY BEACH**

MEETING DATE: November 18, 2024

MEETING PLACE: City Commission Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER

This meeting was called to order by Gregory Snyder Chair at 5:01 pm.

2. ROLL CALL

A quorum was present at call to order.

Members Present: Gregory Snyder, Chair; Mitch Katz, 2nd Vice Chair, Dedrick Straghn
Chris Brown, Judy Mollica, and Jeffrey Meiselman.

Members Absent: Alison Thomas, Vice Chair

Staff Present: Daniela Vega, Assistant City Attorney; Rebekah Dasari, Principal Planner;
Diane Miller, Board Secretary.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Old Palm Grove was pulled from the agenda- No date certain.

MOTION to APPROVE the amended agenda, of November 18, 2024, made by Chris Brown and seconded by Mitch Katz.

MOTION CARRIED 6-0

4. MINUTES

Motion to APPROVE the minutes of July 15, 2024, made by Chris Brown and seconded by Dedrick Straghn.

MOTION CARRIED 6-0

**5. SELECTION OF BOARD MEMBER TO SERVE ON THE AFFORDABLE HOUSING
ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

The APPROVAL to nominate Judy Mollica for the Affordable Housing Advisory Committee made by Chris Brown seconded by Dedrick Straghn.

MOTION CARRIED 6-0

6. SWEARING IN OF THE PUBLIC

Gregory Snyder, Chair, read the Quasi-Judicial Rules for the City of Delray Beach and Diane Miller, Board Secretary, swore in all who wished to give testimony.

7. COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

8. PRESENTATIONS

None.

9. QUASI-JUDICIAL HEARING ITEMS

A. Abandonment of the Right of Public Access (2024-128): Provide a recommendation to the City Commission on Resolution No. 207-24, abandoning the right of public access to Open Space Tracts 3, 4, 5, 10, 12, and 13 of the Plat of Old Palm Grove recorded in Plat Book 99, Pages 63-67 of the Public Records of Palm Beach County.

Applicant / Property Owner: Old Palm Grove Homeowners Association, Inc.

Agent: Andrea M. Keiser, Keiser Legal, PLLC, andrea@keiserlegal.com

Planner: Grisel Rodriguez, Senior Planner; rodriguezg@mydelraybeach.com

Old Palm Grove was pulled from the agenda with no date certain.

10. LEGISLATIVE ITEMS

A. Amendment to the Land Development Regulations, Bus Shelter Sponsorship Signage (File 2025-048): Consider Ordinance No. 36-24, a City-initiated amendment to Section 4.6.7, "Signs" of the Land Development Regulations (LDR) to adopt regulations for sponsorship signage on bus shelters.

Planner: Rebekah Dasari, dasarir@mydelraybeach.com

Rebekah Dasari, Principal Planner, entered File No. 2025-048 into the record.

Staff Presentation

Rebekah Dasari, Principal Planner, presented the project from a Microsoft PowerPoint presentation.

Public Comments

None.

Board Comments

Ms. Mollica was in favor of the signage promoting schools.

Mr. Straghn asked for clarification as to what the business would be allowed to put on the bus shelter.

Mr. Brown said that he supports what the other board members decide.

Mr. Katz asked how the logos from the different types of businesses would be regulated and Ms. Vega responded that it would be approved by the City Manager. Mr. Katz said

that he cannot support the amendment because of the lack of ability to control signage content.

Judy Mollica asked in the sign code if exempt signs could pertain to Mr. Katz's concern. Ms. Dasari said that this would fall under the category of sponsorship signs.

Mr. Straghn asked if this would be different than the sponsorship signs that are near Atlantic High School where there are sponsorship banners. Ms. Vega said that the city will put in safeguards.

Mr. Meiselman asked what the dollar amount is for the sponsorship and how many signs there would be. Kate Johnsons, Secretary of Delray Chamber Education Fund, President of the Delray Chamber of Commerce, said that this program had raised over \$48,000 since it began and \$30,000 has gone back to schools. It is reviewed by DCEF, and by the City for approval of the sign image.

Mr. Snyder commented that if there were inappropriate signs then the program would be shut down.

MOTION to Recommend approval to the City Commission of Ordinance No. 36-24, a City-initiated amendment to Section 4.6.7, "Signs" of the Land Development Regulations (LDR) to adopt regulations for bus shelter sponsorship signage, finding that the amendment and approval thereof is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan and meets the criteria set forth in Land Development Regulations made by Judy Mollica and seconded by Chris Brown

MOTION CARRIED 5-1

11. REPORTS AND COMMENTS

A. CITY STAFF

The upcoming board meeting dates are December 16, 2024, and January 27, 2025.

B. BOARD ATTORNEY

None.

C. BOARD MEMBERS

None.

11. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.

The undersigned is the Board Secretary of the Planning and Zoning Board, and the information provided herein is the Minutes of the meeting of said body for **November 18, 2024**, which were formally adopted and **APPROVED** by the Board on **April 21, 2025**.

ATTEST:


Chair


Board Secretary

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