

SANDUSKY BAYFRONT CORRIDOR COMMITTEE

May 4, 2023 – Meeting Minutes

Mission Statement: The Bayfront Corridor Committee, a cross-section of community stakeholders serving at the pleasure of the City Commission, reviews proposed waterfront development projects relative to adopted city plans and their benefit to the community and makes recommendations to the administration and City Commission with the purpose of maximizing the advantages of Sandusky's strategic location on Lake Erie.

Attendance:

Carl McGookey, Chair
Bill Semans
Mike Zuilhof
David Miller
Tim King
Erin Blair, City Staff
Aaron Klein, City Staff
Quinn Rambo, City Staff

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson McGookey at 7:33.

Minutes

Minutes were approved for the meetings of May 5, 2022, August 4, 2022, September 1, 2022, January 5, 2022, and March 2, 2022.

New Business

Sandusky Wheels Park Erin Blair

This project is at the 50% design process. It is anticipated that a public meeting onsite will be held June 15, 2023 to discuss designs. A website will be available for this project

Sprau Park Aaron Klein

Two baseball fields in Sprau Park have been used for construction staging and two new ballfields have been created and are ready for this summer. A new playground area has been created in front of Peerless Stove which will aid to tie together Sprau and Amvet Parks. Amvets Park was purchased by The City in anticipation of needing more space for the water treatment improvement project as well as any future expansion projects there. There is \$250,000. in 2023 and again in 2024 in the capital plan which may be used for park amenities such as playground equipment and improved parking.

Shoreline Park Aaron Klein

Several new sidewalks have been created here, mainly from the pavilion to the middle finger pier.

East Water Street Aaron Klein

The City is now bidding the project of redoing Water Street from Franklin Street to Meigs Street. The bike path on the north side of Water Street will be redesigned and landscaped. Completion will be by May 2024, but hopefully before then. There was discussion about access and egress to and from Sandusky Yacht Club and Mack Iron. The Battery Park project will need to work around the node to be created at the Water and Meigs Streets intersection.

Mr. Miller asked about paving projects, specifically the parking lot at Kiwanis Park where he and his fellow Kiwanians have donated time and materials to help maintain this park. Mr. Klein stated that there are many paving projects being looked at and that when the parking lots at the water treatment plant is repaved that that would be a good time to repave the Kiwanis lot.

Event Schedule Jason Werling

Ohio Bike Week will be downtown Sandusky June 1-3. A guide will be available soon for summer events including Parties at the Pier, Lange Trust concerts and the Ironman on July 23rd.

Old Business

Battery Park PUD Erin Blair

The city commission rezoned this area for this project and the developer has 18 months to deliver detailed plans. It is unknown if there will be public input meetings. It was noted that the Bayfront Corridor Committee was utilized by the city commission as an advisory board on the Paper District development and that we could be utilized with this major waterfront project.

Justice Center Aaron Klein

Mr. Klein wanted to advise us that access to the Sandusky Sailing Club will be available from Washington Street to the north and east of the Justice Center during this project, but traffic flow will change as construction evolves.

Causeway Wetlands Aaron Klein

Phase 1 of this project has won both a State of Ohio Engineering Excellence Award and a National Award for Design and Uniqueness.

US EPA Brownfields Assessment Grant Update Erin Blair

Ms. Gillson was not available for this meeting but her update stated that both consultants have or are in the process of developing the quality assuredness project plan required by the US EPA. Once those are submitted for approval review and accepted the next phase is for site identification and planning and assessment. These sites are currently unknown. As Mr. Miller said, stay tuned. The grant total is \$400,000. Not all of this goes to the consultants, some will be used for training city staff.

Public Input

Lisa Mazuka, 814 Bardshar Road asked if the BCC would look at the Bicentennial Plan and see if any of that could be incorporated into the Battery Park PUD.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15.

Carl E. [Signature], Chair