

ATLANTIC CITY TOURISM ADVISORY COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

Date: Wednesday, February 24, 2016
Time: 5:00 p.m.
Location: 15 S. Pennsylvania Avenue
Atlantic City, NJ 08401

PRESIDING: Robert K. Marshall, Chair

PRESENT: Auggie Cipollini, Sly Stankovic, Stephanie Segal Miller, Colleen Herold, Mary Ellen Solano, Manny Mathioudakis, Jitney Association

ABSENT: Howard Kyle, John Peterson, Elizabeth Terenik

CRDA STAFF: Sharon Dickerson, Laura Berrios, Dawn Hinton Davis

OPENING STATEMENT

The meeting was called to order by Sharon Dickerson, CRDA Staff Attorney. Ms. Hinton Davis read a statement of compliance with the notice requirements of the Senator Byron M. Baer Open Public Meetings Act and called the roll.

Sharon Dickerson opened the floor for the appointments of the Chair and the Vice Chair.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND VICE CHAIRMAN – Motion was made by Sly Stankovic to appoint Robert K. Marshall for Chair and Stephanie Segal for Vice Chair the motion was seconded by Auggie Cipollini. Motion was approved by a unanimous vote of the commissioners.

RATIFICATION of MINUTES - The Chair requested to withhold the ratification of the minutes until the next meeting.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

- Mr. Marshall introduced himself and thanked everyone for serving. He then read the section of law that pertains to the Tourism District Advisory Commission.
- Mr. Marshall requested that each commissioner introduce themselves to the new members.
- Mr. Marshall suggested deferring the Tourism District Project update.
- Mr. Marshall suggested they continue to use the committee forum as in the past. He read a list of the current committees, and opened the floor for discussion. The commissioners discussed the committees and decided on the following:
 - PR & Marketing Committee
 - Clean & Safe Committee
 - Arts & Entertainment Committee
 - Visitors Experience / Customer Service Committee

DATES AND TIMES FOR MEETING

- The Commissioners decided to meet every other month, on the 4th Monday of the month at 4pm.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS

- **Mr. Cipollini** -suggested the minutes be sent out two week prior to the next meeting
- **Mr. Stankovic** - discussed public relations and promoting events in Atlantic City
- **Mrs. Segal Miller**-discussed a no honking zone, painting art on the rundown properties and demolition of vacant buildings. Also, in an effort to make the city look nicer, Mrs. Segal Miller discussed installation of planters along Pacific Avenue and Street Signage with a Monopoly game theme.

Mr. Marshall asked Mrs. Segal Miller to come back to the commission with some creative signage.

Ms. Dickerson, CRDA Staff, responded that the Commission should keep in mind what the CRDA can actually do, and what needs to be requested through the city. CRDA does not have jurisdiction over restricting honking. Ms. Dickerson explained that the CRDA is working on code enforcements and has an ongoing demolition project as well.

Mr. Marshall asked Ms. Dickerson for a status report on demolition projects and code enforcements.

- **Mrs. Herold** - invited Mr. Manny Mathioudakis of the Jitney Association to speak on various issues with the jitneys.
 - Drivers need to a better job, driving / slowing down
 - The Jitney Association website (possibly asking Stockton students for assistance)
 - Gardner Basin being added to the Jitney route
 - Customer service / professionalism
 - Talking on the radio while driving

Mr. Mathioudakis responded that he will look into addressing these issues. Mr. Marshall requested that Mrs. Herold coordinate with Mr. Mathioudakis regarding the jitney transportation issues.

- **Mary Ellen Solano** – discussed having something for the kids to do in the summer months at night, while visiting Atlantic City on vacation. Mr. Marshall responded it's a safety issue at night for kids.

Mr. Marshall will put a structure together for future meetings.

General Public Comment

None.

Meeting adjourned.