

**DAVIS ISLANDS COMMUNITY PLAN
STEWARDSHIP TEAM MEETING SUMMARY MINUTES**

February 10, 2009, 6:30-8:30 PM

HCC Administration, 1st floor Conference Room
39 Columbia Drive

Present: Charner Reese, Jean Freeman, Paul Phillips, Janice Davis, Cheryl Eagan, Susan Nelson-Crowley, Dan Crowley, Gary Brown

1. Meeting was called to order by Gary Brown at 6:45 pm.
2. The minutes of the prior meeting were accepted with the following changes:
 - Section 4. Other Business – item a. Public notice of meeting - the sign will be posted at Welcome Home Park
 - Section 4. Other Business – item c. Charner’s Challenge - establishment of the fund account at the Community Foundation
3. Election of Officers and Other Housekeeping:
 - Deferred action on Item III (discussion regarding January officer elections) because Chair not present, Charner to email Jennifer and request response.
 - Split the Public Relations duties – Charner: articles for DI News and DICA Newsletter; Janice: Meeting notices in newspapers
 - Janice Davis was voted to fill the remaining open 2 year DI resident term on the Stewardship Committee.
 - Alternate Positions filled: DICA – Jeff Siewart, DICC – Bill Sharp, Dan Crowley’s Alternate is Susie Nelson-Crowley.
4. Approach to Plan Implementation

Changes to DI Plan Stewardship Team Organization for Plan Implementation Document:

- Definition of Business Owner slots. In the DI Plan Stewardship Team Organization for Plan Implementation “Business Owner” will be amended to include Business Owner, Property Owner or Employee of a business in the Village Center.
- Team Meetings – Change month of August to September
- Team Responsibility: Will be amended to include the following - “...to function as a guiding and coordinating group responsible for working with stakeholders to implement the plan. The Team will work together with the City and the community to make sure it happens but not to necessarily be the implementers of the plan’s elements. The actions will be carried out through a variety of

implementers, including the City, other public agencies, the civic association, the chamber of commerce, businesses, institutions, private organizations, and residents. The Stewardship Team will bring stakeholders together, advocate on behalf of the plan's vision and strategic actions, be a central point of information about the status of plan implementation, disseminate this information to the community, and encourage community feedback on the progress and quality of the work.”

- Work Groups - the next step is to delineate priorities for the work groups.

5. Prioritization of Strategies of the Plan

The group reviewed the top priority for each type of action identified in The Plan:

- Enforcement: Speed Limit
- Regulatory Change: Protect Parks from conversion to other uses
- New Policy: Use of restored public historic buildings
- Study: Safe crosswalks (evaluation of alternatives) DICA is working on this. Discussion regarding traffic calming between bridge and Biscayne.
- Planning & Conceptual Design: Traffic calming design charette and concept/strategic plan
- Land Acquisition: Public acquisition of Seddon Channel waterfront property for parks system (between Arbor and Barbados)
- Capital Improvement: Paved trail along S Davis to Seaplane Basin Park Beach and Dog Park. (This type will need to be addressed by fundraising for capital improvements (DICA is beginning to work on this
- New Program: Nuisance plant removal in public spaces and rights of way
- On-going action: Stakeholder involvement
- Volunteer Action: Business Development

The Team prioritized these action items and identified the steps needed to move them forward, as identified in “2009 Priority Strategies.” Follow up on the actions to be taken at May meeting.

6. Other Business

Create letterhead for the DI Stewardship Team

7. Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.