

Meeting Date: 12/14/2019 12:30 pm Location: 10th Floor Mayor's Conference Room, Stamford Govt Center

In Attendance: FJ Mercede, K. Murray, D. DiBlasio, P. Magalnick, M. Levine, M. Brown, E.Bromley, E.Grebeck, P. Olsen, Bob Lion, Maggie Murray,

MINUTES

Meeting started at 12:40 and FJ Mercede welcomed the group and distributed agenda copies. Phil motioned to accept minutes from Dec. meeting, Ellen 2nd, accepted.

1. Key Efforts

Phil Magalnick and FJ looking to concentrate efforts on key items – want to set meetings with Operations, Chief Bldg Inspector. Haven't met either, and Jim Travers. Marty Levine said t's fine to reach out.

2. Beach/Park Permits

- Ellen Bromley wants legal department approval of wording change for beach stickers. If you are disabled, and do not drive or own a vehicle, you can get a beach pass to attach to a parking placard for the driver/car owner.
- Maggie Murray said this is a huge help for a family member. Would like this publicized and up and running for the 2019 season.

3. <u>Status of Accessibility Upgrades</u> – Kevin Murray

- Terry Connors upgrades near completion. Spent \$21,000. Slightly over budget.
- There's a total of \$240,000 for ADA upgrades this fiscal year, and the estimate for Gov't Center bathrooms are \$235,000. Requested \$200,000 for fiscal starting 7/1/19. If not approved then will reassess how many bathrooms to upgrade. Lobby bathroom is close to going to bid. Looking at 4/1 complete but not sure that's attainable. Dan DiBlasio will try to find out reasonable completion date on baths.
- West Beach is next up. Per Marty, the budget is \$34,000, with \$10.7 for bath alterations. Money in operating budget can be used for a consultant if need be.

• Earmarked East Beach after West Beach

4. <u>City Website/TV</u> – Bob Lion

- City selecting vendor to redo website. One criterion is being able to develop it as ADA compliant. Bob will bring us into the conversation to ensure that it is.
- City has a TV station, 79 on Optimum, which is not compliant for the visually impaired. It is a slide presentation and Bob will create voice-over audio of the text.

5. <u>Sidewalks/Outdoor Cafes</u>

- Phil feels there will be no resolution in 2019. This is his 6th season trying to have the problems changed.
- Ellen met with Sandy Goldstein, president of Stamford Downtown, who will make money available to purchase barriers to corral tables.
- Bob thinks the City should enforce the sidewalk café problems through Mark McGrath. Ellen suggested to Bob that the City Council submit a bill to remove the outdoor dining ordinance.

Meeting adjourned 1:30pm