

FIRE RESCUE BOND
 BLUE RIBBON COMMITTEE MINUTES
 REGULAR MEETING
 City of Fort Lauderdale
 100 North Andrews Avenue
 Commission Chambers
 Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301
 July 20, 2006

Board Members	Meeting Attendance	Cumulative Attendance from 01/19/2006	
Thornie Jarrett, Chair	P	P-5	A-0
Dianne Shuler, Vice Chair	P	P-4	A-1
Mary Graham	P	P-5	A-0
Allan A. Kozich	P	P-4	A-1
Patrick McTigue	A	P-4	A-0
Douglas Ruth	P	P-4	A-2
Vacant			
Don Bastedo	P	P-5	A-0
Norman W. Thabit	P	P-4	A-1

Staff

Robert Bacic, Battalion Chief
 Albert Carbon, Director, Public Works Department
 Frank Snedaker, Chief City Architect
 Mina Samadi, Engineering Design Manager
 Fernando Blanco, Acting Airport Engineer
 Lt. Dave Carter
 D/E Pete Santamarina

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Chairman Jarrett called the June 15, 2006 meeting of the Fire-Rescue Bond Blue Ribbon Committee to order at 6:00 p.m. A quorum was achieved with seven committee members present.

2. Approval of Minutes

May 18, 2006.

Motion made by Allan Kozich and seconded by Don Bastedo to approve the minutes of the May 18, 2006 meeting. In a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

June 15, 2006.

Mr. Thabit referred to page 4, Section 4.5 and requested clarification on the reason for the dissenting votes. Mr. Carbon agreed to add a comment stating "Dissenting members preferred the annual report versus an interim report."

Motion made by Ms. Graham and seconded by Mr. Kozich to approve the minutes of the June 15, 2006 meeting as amended. In a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

3. Staff Liaison Report

A. Activities over the past month

Station 53 Bid.

Mr. Carbon advised that pre-construction on Station 53 was scheduled for August 1 and that contractor training began earlier that day. Dave Carter, vice-president of the Local 765 Fire union asked if a groundbreaking ceremony was scheduled. Mr. Carbon was not aware of any being ceremony scheduled.

Mr. Thabit made a motion, seconded by Mary Graham, to have a groundbreaking ceremony for each station to be built. In a voice vote, the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Carbon stated he would work with Chairman Jarrett on this.

Station 47. Mr. Carbon advised that Station 47 was bid at \$5.7 million but was estimated at \$3.5 million. Staff would re-bid the project in the following week, as there are eight (8) pre-qualified contractors.

Temporary Station. Mr. Carbon advised that the purchasing department should have purchasing specifications out by mid-August.

B. Schedule for Next Month.

Mr. Carbon advised that Station 29 would go to the DRC for initial review. Staff was working on land use issues and platting of all sites. In addition, PGAL would be issued a notice to proceed to work on Station 49. To summarize, Mr. Carbon stated that Stations 29, 13, 3 and 49 were all in the design phase.

Mr. Carbon stated he had received responses from Commissioner Rodstrom and Mayor Naugle to the Committee's Interim Report.

Dave Carter asked about the bid date scheduled for Station 47. Mr. Carbon advised the result of re-bid would be presented at the September 6, 2006 City Commission meeting.

Mr. Thabit asked if there was further information about acquiring the southeast site. Mr. Carbon stated that staff was getting quotes for the Sunrise property which might be appraised by September 1. Staff was contacting four property owners to see if they would negotiate with the City.

Vice-Chair Shuler asked how recent changes in the City's permitting and inspection processes would affect construction of the stations. Mr. Carbon explained that these changes would not have any impact on the stations.

Chairman Jarrett asked about the progress of all stations in the design phase. City Architect, Frank Snedaker, advised that Station 29 was at about 60% with Civil, structural, mechanical and electrical being designed by consultant. He added that Station 3 would be almost identical to Station 29. Mr. Carbon added that Station 13 would be similar to Station 47. He also stated that PGAL had started work on Station 49.

Chairman Jarrett felt Station 29 was being held up by environmental concerns. Mr. Snedaker stated this was not the case. Mr. Carbon advised it would take six weeks to finish the environmental cleanup. He anticipated a smooth transition from remediation to construction.

C. Neighborhood Meetings.

Chairman Jarrett asked about meetings scheduled for neighborhood associations. Mr. Carbon explained that staff would schedule one meeting for all neighborhood associations within the service area for a station. Prior to these meetings, the associations would receive email and a PDF illustrating the station's plans. Chairman Jarrett asked how residents' ideas or comments would be addressed. Mr. Carbon stated that staff would coordinate with residents to review their ideas. He advised that staff would prepare a packet over the next two weeks for the Station 29 neighborhood association. He agreed to provide a sample of this packet for the Committee to review at the August 17 meeting.

4. Member Discussion Items

Ms. Graham asked if the fire department staff and Mr. Carter received copies of the memo and the Committee's minutes. Chief Bacic advised that minutes were posted on the fire rescue website. Mr. Carbon advised staff would scan the memo and post it to the Chief's website.

Chairman Jarrett urged Committee members and staff to think about what would be covered in the Committee's annual report due in October. Mr. Carbon asked the Committee for an outline by the next meeting.

5. Adjournment. Next Regular Meeting: August 17, 2006

Ms. Shuler made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Graham seconded the motion. In a voice vote, all voted in favor.

There being no further business to come before this Board, the meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.