

Mid County Community Council

Public Works Building 6250 82nd Ave N, Pinellas Park FL 33781

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AGENDA Meetings are the 1st Thursday of each month

Thursday, March 7, 2019 6:00-7:30 p.m.

- I. Call to Order- Cheko Carter, Chair
 - A. Welcome- Members & Guests
 - B. January minutes
- II. **Update**: Lealman OELI Site & NFC's Licensing, Judith Warren, JWB's Chief Operating Officer
- III. Video: Hidden Cost

IV. **Community Council Business:**

- a) Board Presentation PowerPoint-March 14th
- b) Timeline of Work Plan for FY 19
- c) Joint Community Councils/Board Meeting & Community Councils 25th Anniversary
- d) New Council Member
- e) Pinellas Park Trade Show-March 16
- f) Adopt-a-Block Walk for Hunger-March 23

V. Regional Update-

- a) Coral Heights
- b) High Point
- c) Ridgecrest
- d) Lealman
- e) Pinellas Park
- f) Kenneth City

VI. **Upcoming Meetings:**

- JWB Board Meeting: Thursday March 14, 9:00 AM @ JWB
- Community Councils Executive Leadership Committee Meeting: Monday March 25, 3:30 PM @ JWB
- Mid-County Community Council Meeting: Thursday April 4, 6:00 PM @ Public Works

Mid- County Community Council Meeting



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MINUTES Thursday, January 10, 2019

Council Members Present: Harold Paxton, Laurel Atkinson, Carol Bumiller, Sara Bleattler, Sofia Byard, Donna McGill, Richard Rock, Cheko Carter, Marilyn Walker

Council members Absent: Carol Weideman, Marsha Lewis, Neil Brickfield, Keith Sabiel, Luis Perez, Carolyn Bystricki, Carlos Mercado, Deputy John Patrick (officially resigned from Council)

Guests: Chris Mathews (Kinship Care), Zully Millan (Coral Heights), Regina Knight (PEMHS), Deputy Siem (Pinellas County Sheriff Department)

JWB Staff: Yaridis L. Garcia, Starr Silver

- **I. Call to Order**: The meeting was called to order at 6:10 PM; members and guests were welcomed by Vice Chair Harold Paxton.
- **II. Presentation:** Dr. Starr Silver provided an overview about the Census Tracks, Zip Code Data and Countywide data. Ms. Silver engaged Council members to discuss and understand the importance of data when making decisions impacting the community. She provided available tools, such as websites and maps which can assist Council members to make informed decisions. Dr. Starr will share this valuable information with North & South Council at the upcoming Joint Community Councils Training scheduled on February 7th.

III. Community Council Business:

- a) NFC's Licensing and Lealman QELI 's Site Update: JWB Staff will attend the meeting on March in order to provide an overview and information about these two items
- b) Timeline of Work-plan for FY 19: The council has identified 4 projects to work on in FY 2019: advocate for green space in High Point; Basketball Court in Coral Heights; replication of the Community Bus Ride; and ongoing advocacy to better serve the growing Hispanic Community
- c) Board Presentation: North County will be presenting to the JWB Board in February, and Mid-County in March. Planner distributed the outline for the presentation which will focus on collaboration and leveraging resources

d) Joint Community Councils/Board Meeting & Community Councils 25th Anniversary: the Community Councils; Executive Leadership Team will meet on January 28th to start planning this event; Council members will participate and assist in the planning of this celebration. We would create a timeline to showcase the beginning and evolution of the Councils throughout these years

IV. Regional Updates:

- a) Coral Height: working with the kids on Saturdays; leaders from the community are trying to get some adults to mentor children, as well as organize some field trips for the children
- b) High Point: the Clearwater East Rotary Club distributed gifts and toys during the Holidays for the children attending the High Point NFC. The largo Library started a Mobile Book Bus, providing books for children at the Center HPNFC; the Mobile Library will come to the Center every other Tuesday to let the children check out books
- c) Ridgecrest: the Bikes for Kids Foundation distributed bicycles to the families that signed up for it. Ongoing recruitment of children for the aftercare program
- d) Lealman: Council members provided gifts that were distributed in December for some families that attended The Adopt -a -Block Christmas Party. JWB brought a camera and printer and provided these pictures with frame to the families that consented to have these pictures taken
- e) Pinellas Park: Youth Center has opened its registration for their summer camp; this will allow families to pay in installments
- f) Kenneth City: Started tutoring program again

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Laurel Atkinson, Secretary