



## River Oaks Civic Association Inc.

General Meeting Minutes

February 15, 2024

Meeting called to order 7:00.

**Attendance:** Ted Inserra (President), Jane Kish (Treasurer), Bianca Bryant (Secretary), Shirlee Sandler (Secretary) were present. There were 30 attendees on the sign-in sheets.

**Police Report:** There was no report as the police officers were at the Neighbor Support Night event.

**Code Compliance:** Senior Inspector Bernstein presented the Code Compliance Report. From 11/23/23 to 2/01/24, we had a total of 73 cases, 50 are closed, of which 23 resulted in no violation, and 23 are pending.

Attendees asked about parking in the swales. Parking is allowed in the swales.

A resident notified Ted about trees being cut without a permit. Ted was able to contact Code Compliance and they stopped the tree cutting.

**Ted's Tidbits:** Ted announced a President's Day event where we will clean the canal area along Coconut Drive.

St Jerome Catholic School is having a Fish Fry every Friday at 5:30 through Lent.

**Guest Speakers:** Landon Massel & Julie Johnston of 13<sup>th</sup> Floor Investments presented plans for the new development next to the church on SW 15<sup>th</sup> Ave. Nine out of 34 homes have been sold and the project is expected to be completed in the next two years. They were asked about potential flooding and the project will comply with the building code and keep the water onsite.

Regarding tree removal/replacement, many of them are invasive/nuisance trees, 93 of them are not. 13<sup>th</sup> Floor will be planting 240 new trees. Concerns were raised about traffic. To alleviate congestion during rush hour, the project will have two exits.

**Green Your Routine Volunteer Opportunities:** Jane presented the volunteer opportunities for the month.

- 2/15 **Tree Giveaway** at Neighbor Support Night
- 2/17 **Food Forest**, Snyder Park 8:00-10:30
- 2/17 **Adopt a Street**, Esterre Davis Wright Park 9:00-10:00
- 2/24 **A Clean Street is a Happy Street**, Gore Betz Park 9:00-10:00
- 3/02 **Air Potato Roundup**, Gore Betz Park 9:00-10:00
- 3/09 **Water Matters Day**, 3900 SW 100<sup>th</sup> Ave, Davie  
\*\*\* **FREE Tree Giveaway** \*\*\*
- 3/16 **Adopt A Street**, Esterre Davis Wright Park 9:00-10:00



Varies **Take Five Door Hangers**

### **Old Business**

**Website Development:** We are currently working with South Florida Design Group to create an improved website with a user-friendly, creative new design. Based on member feedback, we will also be creating accounts at NextDoor and Instagram for more immediate communication with our members.

**Parks and Safety:** New barbecue grills have been installed at Esterre and Gore Parks. We are following up on inspections of the new speed humps on 20<sup>th</sup> Street.

An attendee asked about getting adult monkey bars at Gore Betz Park. The city will be upgrading the equipment at our parks and our guest speaker next month will be from Parks and Recreation so we can ask at that time.

**Government and Construction:** There will be a new El Tamarindo restaurant on SW 9<sup>th</sup> Ave in the vacant lot where they sell Christmas trees. The owner, Alex Tamarindo, will cater an upcoming meeting.

Trees will be planted on 20<sup>th</sup> Street in mid-March. We are monitoring progress at 1712 SW 24<sup>th</sup> Street.

### **New Business**

**Guest Speaker Topics:** We are looking for member input regarding topics for future guest speakers.

**Neighborhood Partnerships:** Croissant Park will be celebrating their 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary in May. We are looking for ways to collaborate and participate in their celebration.

**Announcement:** There is a class action lawsuit in progress against Ric-Man, the City of Fort Lauderdale and the architect resulting from the flooding on April 12, 2023. More information about joining the lawsuit will be coming.

Meeting adjourned.