

A meeting of the OBT Development Board was held on **August 22, 2018** at the OBT office, 2719 S. Orange Blossom Trail, Orlando, FL 32805 at 7:30 am.

Members Present: Emmett O'Dell, President
Demetrius Summerville, Vice-President
Commissioner Victoria Siplin
Rick Fender
Avery Donaudy

Staff Present: Vanessa Pinkney, Executive Director
Tina Nugent, Safe Neighborhood Project Coordinator

Guests: Jason Reynolds, Administrator, Neighborhood Preservation and Revitalization Office
Dan Kilponen, Chief Planner, Neighborhood Preservation and Revitalization Office
Claudia Ray, Urban Designer & Planner, GAI Consultants, Inc.
Tom Kohler, Senior Director, GAI Consultants, Inc.
Kevin Carey, Project Manager, Faller, Davis & Associates, Inc
Matt Steen, Associate, Faller, Davis & Associates, Inc
Daniel Simpson, Project Manager, Florida Department of Transportation
John Gallam, Project Manager, Faller, Davis & Associates, Inc

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by E O'Dell, President, at 7:35 a.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. D. Summerville moved to approve the Consent Agenda. It was seconded by A. Donaudy and the motion carried.

PEDESTRIAN CROSSING ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

2. Kevin Carey, Project Manager, Faller, Davis and Associates presented an update on the FDOT US 441 Signalization Improvement Project. The installation of pedestrian safety improvements and midblock signalized crossings will occur at three locations on OBT between Holden Avenue and I-4 (Southgate Shopping Center, 37th Street, and 43rd Street). Due to construction impediments the new mast arms must be placed in the median instead of on the sides of the road as originally planned. The board expressed concern regarding educating pedestrians and drivers on the new signalization. It was suggested that projected construction savings of the relocation be utilized to help with a public education campaign. K. Carey will follow up on that request.

SUPPORT FOR YOUTH PROGRAM

3. E. O'Dell requested an allocation of \$2,000 from the OBT Safe Neighborhood Program to help RuCamp at Elite Preparatory Academy purchase a bus. He referenced his inquiry to the Orange County Comptroller's Office concerning buses and was given information on how the entity can obtain an affordable bus for the school. After some discussion, Comm. Siplin requested that we gain more information and do our due diligence before we commit to funding the initiative. E. O'Dell stated the importance of transportation for the program and the delayed response by the board to the request. After some discussion, the board recommended moving forward with our previous grant process which will provide fair access to entities requesting assistance. T. Nugent will coordinate this project and report to E. O'Dell.

Rezoning Request – 4925 S. Orange Blossom Trail

4. V. Pinkney apprised members that Orange County planning has received a re-zoning application from the owners of 4925 S. Orange Blossom Trail to change from C-1 to C-2 to open a used car lot. A few board members voiced concerns about the excessive number of auto related businesses on OBT. However, C. Ray reminded the Board that the location is within the section of the corridor that is identified in the OBTNext Plan as a destination to cluster auto related businesses. During the public engagement for the Plan, the community expressed a need for the affordable option. J. Reynolds advised that the board engage with the Orange County Planning Division to express their concerns. C. Ray suggested the OBTDB work with County Staff and prepare a list of conditions that would align with the OBTNext Plan implementation. In addition, make a presentation at the P & Z hearing scheduled September 20, 2018 concerning the rezoning.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Helping Hands – House Painting Project** - E. O'Dell presented the marketing door hangar which is being used to inform residents of the Helping Hands painting project. He also provided a map of the targeted area.
- **OBT Safety Task Force update** – C. Ray gave an update on the plan to host the first meeting of the task force next week. The first group will be comprised of an internal committee of Law and Code Enforcement. She requested a board member serve on the task force. R. Fender volunteered to be a representative of the board.
- **Open House Date** – TBD

NEW BUSINESS

- E. O'Dell requested that we review the current Overlay Districts in place and possibly create a new one for our entire area. The Board decided to place that topic on hold for now.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 a.m.

Minutes Submitted by



Tina Nugent
Safe Neighborhood Coordinator

