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TRAC Meeting Minutes
Thursday, December 18, 2008

In attendance:
Committee Members: Commissioner Deede Weithorn, Sam Rabin, Frank Del Vecchio, Dr. Robert Henry, David Lancz, Mark Hunter, Mike Burke, Steve Chaneles

City Staff: Robert Parcher, Anne Swanson, Gary Held, Alison Williams

Public: Henry Stolar, Harry Cherry, Dr. Morris Sunshine

A motion was made to approve the November minutes by Frank Del Vecchio, second by Sam Rabin, minutes approved by the committee.

Commissioner Weithorn told the committee that the online check registry issue would be taken up at the January meeting once she had a chance to meet with Trish Walker and develop a response to the request.

Frank Del Vecchio made a motion for to request that the administration take last month's Land Use Board recommendations and their response to the appropriate Land Use Boards for discussion. Second by David Lancz. Motion was passed by the committee members. Gary Held added that some recommendations have already been implemented by the administration as they did not require input from the Land Use Boards. Jorge Gomez will report back to TRAC once the Land Use Boards have had an opportunity to discuss the recommendations.

Commissioner Weithorn requested that the committee members bring to the January meeting other issues which they would like TRAC to address. Topics that were mentioned in this meeting include Miami Beach Magazine, online forms, programming on Channel 77, online permit fee calculator, online Q&A forum, special events permit applications online, and the sanitation department.

Mike Burke made a motion to recommend that all Commission Committee meetings be televised. Second by Mark Hunter. Commissioner Weithorn commented that the Commission Committee meetings are often a better format for discussion and negotiation since they are a more casual environment and are not televised. Motion passes.

Frank Del Vecchio made a motion to recommend the advanced publication of all Commission Committee agendas. Second by Mike Burke. Motion passes.

Meeting Adjourned.