

# **Miami River Commission's Urban Infill and Greenways Subcommittee February 15, 2019 Minutes**

The Miami River Commission's (MRC) Urban Infill and Greenways subcommittees conducted a public meeting on February 15, 2019, 3 PM, 1407 NW 7 ST. The attendance sign in sheet is enclosed. MRC Urban Infill Subcommittee Chairman Jim Murley conducted the public meeting.

## **I. Presentation of the "Miami River Watershed Plan" from the Nature Conservancy – Sonia Succar Rodriguez**

Ms. Sonia Succar Rodriguez, The Nature Conservancy, distributed and presented copies of "Cities Miami". The main themes are:

- Transforming the City Landscape"
- Advancing Urban Water Solutions – Ms Rodriguez stated she supports increased services from the Scavenger Water Decontamination Vessel
- Create Tangible Projects
- Map Model and Plan

Ms Rodriguez stated the Nature Conservancy's Plans are consistent with the Miami River Commission's adopted:

1. *Miami River Corridor Urban Infill Plan*
2. *Miami River Greenway Action Plan*
3. *Miami River Basin Water Quality Improvement Report*
4. *Miami River Walk the WBID*
5. *Wagner Creek and Seybold Canal Walk the WBID*

Ms. Rodriguez stated The Nature Conservancy will soon advertise a request for proposals to construct the presented plan to improve the County owned public greenspace on Wagner Creek located at 1500 NW 12 Ave. MRC Director Bibeau distributed a copy of the MRC's "Miami's 21<sup>st</sup> Century Park – An Integrated System of Parks and Greenways along the Miami River", featuring an over decade old picture of volunteers planting plants in this site's waterfront greenspace after removing the chain link fence creating public access. Recently the site was used for staging during the successfully completed Wagner Creek and Seybold Canal Maintenance Dredging and Environmental Cleanup project, and will now thankfully be renovated and improved by the Nature Conservancy. In addition, Ms. Rodriguez' presentation included The Nature Conservancy's plan for a public greenspace featuring Greenways along both shores of a section of Wagner Creek located at Miami-Dade County owned 1395 NW 12 Ave and University of Miami Owned 1150 NW 14 ST. Attendees discussed the need to create a solution to any potential loss of existing parking spaces at 1150 NW 14 ST.

**MRC Urban Infill Chairman Murley suggested the MRC find this partnership to benefit the Miami River District, Miami River Commission, and The Nature Conservancy.**

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## II. New Business

MRC Urban Infill Chairman Murley asked for an update re 431-451 South Miami Ave. MRC Director Bibeau presented pictures taken Sunday, February 10, 2019, of the site with construction activities. Mr. Bibeau noted the following email chain:

**From:** Brett Bibeau <[miamiriver1@bellsouth.net](mailto:miamiriver1@bellsouth.net)>  
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**Subject:** RE: Construction Activity At Prime Riverfront Lot Across From Brickell City Centre

THX Jeremy,

Per previous requests, PLS provide the pending application, plans, contact for City rep, and contact for applicants. Would be nice to have it before 1 PM, so MRC UIWG Chair Murley has something in hand when this comes up at today's 3 PM subcommittee meeting under the "New Business" agenda item  
THX everyone

Sincerely,  
Brett

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FYI- we have a pending TUP application for this property, but it is not yet approved. Planning will work with Zoning to incorporate the new provisions in 3.11.  
Please let me know if there are any additional questions.

Best regards,



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Hi Jeremy,

Per emails below, emailing you pics of 451 South Miami Ave which I took yesterday. A few months ago when property rep met with the City about a potential TUP, PLS reply the owner's and City reps contact info. This will be discussed under New Business during the MRC subcommittee's 2/15 public meeting, 3 PM, 1407 NW 7 ST.

THX for all you do

Sincerely,

Brett

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Please put this on the agenda at the next Urban Infill meeting. Hopefully for a presentation but at minimum, your update and further discussion.

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Chair, Urban Infill Committee, MRC"

MRC Urban Infill Chairman Murley asked for this item to be placed on the subcommittee's March public meeting agenda.

The meeting adjourned.

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 Public Meeting**

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