

CITY OF GREEN COVE SPRINGS CITIZEN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE BEAUTIFICATION SUB-COMMITTEE



**SPRING PARK COFFEE
328 FERRIS STREET, GREEN COVE SPRINGS, FLORIDA
THURSDAY, AUGUST 03, 2023 – 6:30 PM**

Anyone wishing to address the advisory sub-committee regarding any topic on this agenda is requested to complete a speaker card. Speakers are respectfully requested to limit their comments to three (3) minutes.

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AGENDA

Call to order.

Chairman to call on members of the audience wishing to address the Committee on matters not on the agenda.

COMMITTEE BUSINESS

1.. Old Business

- Aesthetic Review Committee (ARC).

- Champion: Mr. Nicols
- Relevant City Offices
 - Mr. Daniels, Planning and Zone discussion report.
 - Mr. Kennedy, City Manager. Mr. Hurley reports that Mr. Kennedy is not in favor of an ARC. Would like a compromise. Update?
- The Issue: There does not appear to be any standard regarding the overall “look” of projects undertaken on commercial and City properties which leads to a hap Hazzard, and often unsightly results. There needs to be some sense of continuity. In several cases, the results is an actual safety issue.
- Review of questions identified during the last meeting. Do we still concur?
 - **Where would this group fall in the review process?** The consensus is that this would be the first stop for any new permit or project.
 - **What City agency would this fall under?** Planning and Zoning.
 - **Who would comprise this committee; citizen volunteers, city employees, or a combination of both?**
 - The city will decide how the function would be staffed while we focus on the scope and guidelines for this function.
 - We will develop the standards and process for the city to then implement.

- **What does the new 20-year plan for the city say about an overall design/aesthetic standard?** Per Mr. Hurley, the 20-year plan calls for a review committee. Will include the exact wording in the next minutes.
- Consensus that this issue involves two separate programs.
 - City projects which do not go through the normal permitting review process such as concrete pads in the park, etc.
 - Commercial and municipal building projects that do.
- Need to establish what the esthetic vision for the city is!
 - When you think of Charleston, Savannah or St Augustine, a specific image comes to mind. What is that image for Green Cove Springs?
 - We should propose one for the city to react to if one does not exist.
 - Guidelines for the AEC to base its decisions on need to be developed that reflect the vision for the city, and codified so that decisions are not arbitrary.
 - **Each member is to bring draft guidelines and a vision for the city to the next meeting.**

- Resumption of Village Improvement Awards:

- Champion: Ms. Theresa Crocket
- Update

- Consideration of the “I-Tree” project for the city.

- Champion: Mr. Chris Gay
- Issue: Mr. Daniels had approached Mr. Gay about a project to assess a value for existing trees and green spaced which have already been identified. Intent is to develop a plan which informs City Planners of the fiscal impact of decisions in this regard.
- Mr. Gay has reached out to Mr. Daniels Office for an appt to update the issue. Update

2. New Business

3. Committee Discussion

4. Set date and time for next meeting as 7 September2023, 06:30 PM, Spring Park Coffee.

Adjournment.

The Advisory Sub-Committee meets the First Thursday of each month beginning at 6:30 p.m., unless otherwise scheduled. Meetings are held in Spring Park Coffee at 328 Ferris Street.

The Advisory Sub-Committee may take action on any matter during this meeting, including items that are not set forth within this agenda.

Minutes of the Advisory Committee meetings can be obtained from the City Clerk’s office.

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