



Bayfront Advisory Committee Newsletter

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Bayfront Advisory Committee to Meet March 21

The Bayfront Advisory Committee will meet Thursday, March 21 at the VIRGINIA BEACH RESORT AND CONFERENCE CENTER, Lynnhaven Room, 2800 Shore Drive, from 3:30pm-5:30pm. Please check the lobby notice board in case of room change.

The meeting agenda will also include the following:

- Update on public and private projects in the Bayfront area.
- Updates on committee activities in the Bayfront area will also be provided.

Bayfront Advisory Subcommittees

The Bayfront Advisory Subcommittees will meet Thursday, March 21, at the VIRGINIA BEACH RESORT AND CONFERENCE CENTER, Lynnhaven Room, 2800 Shore Drive, from 2:00pm-3:15pm.

Fireworks are Free?

Or are they? The Fourth of July fireworks displays we enjoy along the Bayfront are an expensive proposition for the groups who put them on. These events are not sponsored or funded by the City but by civic leagues on each side of Lynnhaven Inlet.

The civic leagues on the west side of the Inlet have a great way to help defer some of the cost. You can help by enjoying the company of your neighbors, listen to some music, eat lots of oysters and even partake of an adult beverage. Details follow.



Baylake Pines Civic League and
The Leaping Lizard Café

Present

OYSTER ROAST FOR FIREWORKS

SaturdayAPRIL 13**from 4 PM to 8 PM**

OYSTERS ** BEER ** WINE ** LIVE MUSIC

Featuring****THE MOST WANTED BAND****

Pulled Pork and other Seasonal Fare by
LEAPING LIZARD CAFÉ

\$35 until APRIL 1

\$45 after APRIL 1

Proceeds benefit Baylake Pines FIREWORKS
And The Shore Drive 4th of July FIREWORKS SHOW

Tickets and Information contacts:

John Borum	757-363-9132 or 757-289-6348
Kevin Montgomery	757-268-4733
Dell Young	757-650-1383

Also Available at the Leaping Lizard Café

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The Zoning Process

All Rezoning , Use Permits, Street Closures, Subdivision Variances, Board of Zoning Appeals variance requests, and alterations to nonconforming uses are submitted to the Planning Department. The standard procedure is to meet with the applicant prior to submittal and encourage the applicant to meet with the adjoining neighbors.

Once the request is submitted, the Planning Department schedules the request to be heard by the Planning Commission and the Bayfront Advisory Committee (BAC). The BAC makes a determination as to whether the request is consistent with the Shore Drive Corridor Plan, the ULI Bayfront Study, The Comprehensive Plan recommendations, and the Shore Drive Corridor Design Guidelines. Staff also encourages the applicant to meet with the pertinent civic league and the Shore Drive Community Coalition.

The Planning Commissioners are taken on a field trip to all the sites on their agenda the Thursday before their regularly scheduled meeting. Staff briefs the Commission the morning of the meeting and Commission decides if the item can be heard on consent agenda or heard in the open meeting. Planning Commission makes a recommendation, based upon the staff report and site visit, to the City Council.

City Council makes the final decision.

Once approved the applicant submits formal and detailed site plans and building plans for review and approval. The Planner reviews the package for consistency with the conditions and plans. This process, through the Development Services Center, usually takes 3-4 months. Once the plans are approved, the applicant can obtain a building permit for construction. The Permits office ensures the construction is done in accordance with the approved site development and building plans. Once complete the developer is able to obtain a Certificate of Occupancy.

The Bayfront Vision Newsletter is now linked to “It’s a Shore Thing.” Reach “It’s a Shore Thing” at <http://itsashorethingvb.com/>.

Speakers

So you think you know Shore Drive?

We've been asking what you know about Shore Drive and would like to thank you for the many responses we received about these pictures. We neglected to give you any feedback about them. Here we will try to make amends.



Serlick's Seafood became the Seven Seas Restaurant, though not the original Seven Seas. Thanks to Diane Sumerlin and her brother, Steve Ervin, we now know that the original was an old workboat with round port hole windows that was anchored on Long Creek. A gang plank provided access. It was later moved beside the old Lesner Bridge.



Clyde's Corner Market. This site later hosted a Roy Rogers restaurant. That building became the Corner Market, then Guadalajara and now it is Plaza Azteca.



This was the Seaview Beach Club. It was so popular in its heyday that buses were regularly scheduled from Norfolk to bring folks here on weekends. Mariners Mark and Seagate Colony are located in this approximate area.

New picture next month.

Change of Command

There has been a change of command at Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek and Fort Story. During his tenure, Captain Charles Stuppard has been a great friend and supporter to the Shore Drive Community. He will now head the Naval Forces Division, United States Military Training Mission in Saudi Arabia.

His successor is Cap Frank Hughlet, a native of Sterling, VA and a graduate of Virginia Tech. Prior to assuming command of MCAST, CAPT Hughlett served as the Chief of Plans and Policy, Stability Division, Headquarters, International Security Assistance Force, Kabul Afghanistan. We wish him well in his new assignment and trust he will find Virginia Beach more hospitable than Kabul.

!Danger!

Kids are putting Drano, tin foil, and a little water in plastic drink bottles and capping. They are then leaving them on lawns, in mail boxes, in gardens, on driveways etc.; just waiting for you to pick it up intending to put it in the rubbish, but you'll never make it!

If the bottle is picked up and is shaken even slightly - in 30 seconds or less it builds up enough gas which then explodes with enough force to remove some your extremities. The liquid that comes out is boiling hot as well.

Don't pick up any plastic bottles that may be lying in your yards or in the gutter, etc. Pay attention to this: A plastic bottle with a cap; A little Drano; A little water; A small piece of foil; a slight movement; and BOOM!

No fingers left and other serious effects to your face, eyes and other areas.

Please ensure that everyone you care about that may not have access to the Bayfront Vision Newsletter is also informed of this.

For additional information or to obtain a copy of the draft agenda, contact Faith Christie in the Planning Department at (757) 385-4621 or fchristi@vbgov.com. For more information regarding the Bayfront Advisory Committee, visit www.VBgov.com/Bayfront.