



## Minutes of Progresso Village Civic Association - Amended

Meeting date: January 21<sup>st</sup>. 2013

**Call to order:** A regular monthly meeting of the Progresso Village Civic Association was held in Sunrise at 920 NW 7<sup>th</sup> Ave on January 21<sup>st</sup>. 2013. The meeting convened at 7:00pm, President Brad Cohen presiding, and Martyna Baginska-Varol, secretary.

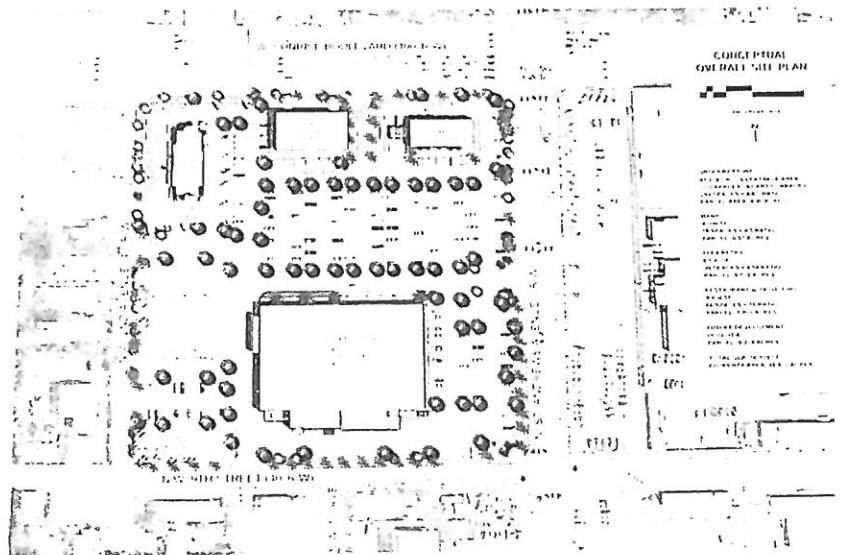
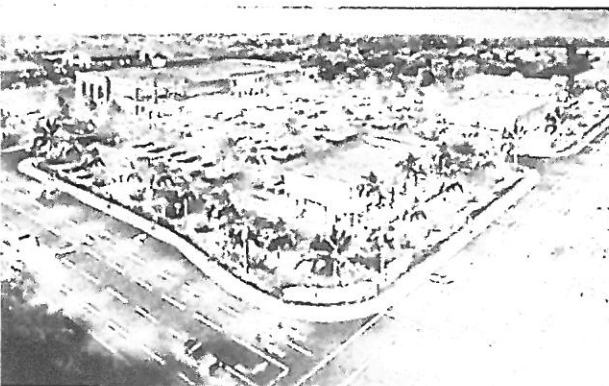
**A quorum was declared present based on the presence of the following board members:**

Brad Cohen – President  
JJ Hankerson – Vice President  
Tom Mobley – Treasurer  
Julia Parker – Public safety  
Ron Lux – Planning and zoning

**Approval of minutes:** There were no minutes of the December 2012 meeting to be approved due to lack of quorum at that meeting.

### Guest Speaker: Walmart Inc.

Walmart Inc. and Gatlin Development Company presented a conceptual plan for the development of the 70 acre site on the South-West corner of Andrew's Ave and Sunrise Blvd. See below for the copy of the plans.



Walmart's new concept, a "Neighborhood Market", would be the anchor tenant in this newly constructed plaza. During the presentation, few board members expressed disagreement regarding re-opening of NW 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave in order to allow traffic flow into the plaza. Currently, there is a permanent street closure located on NW 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave so the street cannot be accessed from Sunrise Blvd. Also, few different options regarding delivery trucks getting in and out of the plaza were explored. Plans presented are preliminary and will be amended accordingly if necessary.

**Guest Speaker: Dean Trantalis**

Dean Trantalis is one of the two remaining candidates running for district 2 City Commissioner seat. Mr. Trantalis thanked everyone for voting in the January 15<sup>th</sup> election and reminded how important it is to vote again on March 12<sup>th</sup>. Since no candidate received at least 50% + 1 votes in the Special Primary Election in January, the two top candidates, Charlotte Rodstrom and Dean Trantalis, will be on the ballot for the Municipal General Election in March. Mr. Trantalis said: "I hope to work together. It's important that we all work together".

**Committee reports:**

***Treasurer – Tom Mobley***

Our bank account is currently overdrawn. City water bill still keeps being automatically deducted from the account. Mr. Mobley tried to close the bank account in order to stop the withdrawals but he cannot do so without the presence of the association president. Mr. Mobley has the keys to the Association P.O. Box at 1404 E. Las Olas Blvd that needs to be checked for mail.

***President – Brad Cohen***

Brad Cohen reminded all that annual membership dues are due in January.

***Public Safety – Julia Parker***

Julia Parker mentioned that puppies are being dumped at the dead end on NW 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave.

***Planning and zoning – Ron Lux***

The missing letter on the neighborhood sign at NW 7<sup>th</sup> Street is still waiting to be taken care of. Ron Lux will invite City of Fort Lauderdale Code Enforcement for the next civic association meeting, since many issues needs to be addressed. Large trucks are still cutting through the neighborhood and tow trucks are being staged on NW 1<sup>st</sup> Ave. We will confirm that violations can be issued for nuisance and trespassing.

**New business:**

*Election of New Board Members*

Motion was made by Brad Cohen, and seconded to re-assign Ron Lux from the chair of Planning and Zoning Committee to the chair of Code Enforcement Committee and to nominate Ron Centamore to fill the position of the chair of the Planning and Zoning Committee. Other board members will remain in their status quo positions. Motion carried.

*Street Beautification plans for Progresso Village*

Mr. Cohen presented street beautification plans for Progresso Village that included new posts with street names and new street signs. There will be a total of 36 new signs installed in Progresso Village that will include our logo and historic street names. Motion was made by Brad Cohen and seconded to approve the proposed beautification plans for Progresso Village neighborhood. Motion carried.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.