

Resort Corridor Work Group – Meeting Notes  
February 2, 2012

Randy opened the meeting at 12:15p.

Randy mentioned that there were some absences on behalf of the County. He mentioned that there will be some discussion regarding the animal ordinance and the possible SID on the resort corridor.

Alice let the members know that the document on the table and being passed out is the same as the one that was e-mailed with only one small change. This is a table that we are hoping all members are in agreement that these are the recommendations that the panel would like to move forward to the BCC.

News Racks - All agreed to what has been proposed.

Trash Cans - #8 is the only change in the previous recommendations. Mary suggested that during the pedestrian study, they will look into who is causing the litter. If possible, we may be able to require the hand billers to clean up their immediate area. Also, Mary will research to see if there is a way to require the hand billers to place their company information on the hand bills. Comm. Giunchigliani also would like to entertain a recommendation for recycling on the strip. It was brought up that Republic Services already will sort recycling and garbage at an offsite property. This is something that the County should look into, since the properties are already doing this. It was suggested that we not entertain this recommendation at this time. It was also mentioned that this could be perceived that we are trying to place too many trash/recycling receptacles so that the hand billers would have less space to stand. Also recommended is that each individual hand biller be held responsible for the litter.

Graffiti – All agreed to what has been proposed.

Public Sidewalks – Page 4 – A question was asked what the definition of loitering on the strip. It was discussed that loitering would be a hard case to prove, but you could also say that the traffic flow is being impeded due to public storage of a "shopping cart". Alice will speak to Mary with regards to her opinion.

Page 6 – Don would like to possibly reconvene this group unofficially once the pedestrian study is completed. Denis mentioned that if we are going to use time, place and manor, we will have to look at the entire strip and come back with information of when the areas are most congested and less congested. Denis is expecting at least a 3 month turnaround for the study to be completed. It would be something that may be done in the summertime. It was suggested that the resorts would allow use of the cameras at each property for the use of

the study. This doesn't provide 100% coverage, but the areas in front of the resorts may be available to help collect data. Don mentioned the appreciation of the County for the offer and accepted the offer to use the resort security cameras. Cost is initially estimated at ¼ million dollars with cameras. Metro is offering the help of the volunteers on the strip to help compile some information. Funding would possible come from the resort corridor misc. room tax dollars. Denis mentioned that it could take 2 or 3 weeks to put together a scope for the project to begin. If we are looking at just traffic flow, we could use pedcounters. If we are looking at hand billers, then we would have to have cameras. Metro already has cameras on the strip, and will check to see if those images can be used for this study. Metro is doing monitoring during and ongoing basis. Metro agrees that the study should be 24 hours per day. Don suggested that anyone interested in participating in this initial study to please contact Denis.

Animal Ordinance – Mary has provided a redraft of the ordinance proposed by Comm. G. Caesars was ok with the proposed 5a until 12p.

First Amendment Activities – Possible requirement of hand billers to get a permit in order to hand bill. Mary has spoken to Business License and feels it would be very difficult to get this requirement passed. It was suggested that Metro work with the hand bill companies to provide training to the hand billers so that they can indentify a pedestrian as a minor. Possibly make this mandatory for those only on the resort corridor to attend a training held by Metro and Business License. This would be similar to a TAM card. Would the verification of the training would this be something they wear or just on their person. Metro also mentioned the violation and how do we enforce this? Metro would like to not just address the adult content, but also the aggressive behavior. There are penalties if someone doesn't have a valid TAM card. Also possibly have a photo id card for each of the hand billers.

Public Safety – Metro has a handout with regards to trespassing off of the properties. This could be a conversation with Metro and the resorts so that they can all be on the same page and that person would be trespassed from each property listed on the form. Similar to the form in Orlando. Alice will speak to Mary if this would be legal or would this need legislation or an ordinance from the County passed. This would help the prosecution by Metro in a court of law.

Increased Metro presence on the strip – Don brought up the fact that each resort would be responsible for providing funding for the increased Metro presences on the strip. Denis did hand out a sheet with regards to the SID on the strip. Don asked that Metro speak on the possibility that each resort pay for increased Metro presence on the strip. Metro mentioned that this could be done over a three year period. A suggestion was made to possibly have more volunteers for Metro and not as many officers. Don asked if there is an interest from the

resorts to get an increased Metro presence on strip. There was a referral back to the camera proposal instead of the actual bodies of Metro. The Mirage said that they would like to see how many of the suggested ideas would be put into place, but they don't want to suggest they would like to participate in the more cops or cameras proposal without the actual recommendations being put into place. It was also mentioned that a small increase in room tax may also provide funding.

It was suggested that we place a date on how long it will take the County to research the proposals, and set a date and meet again with the group.

Next meeting on Thursday, March 1, 2012 at 1:00p.