

**Downtown Action Plan Advisory Committee (DAPAC)**  
**Meeting 36**  
**Friday, December 14, 2018 1:30 pm – 3:30 pm**  
**Museum of Contemporary Art Conference Room**

	<b>Name</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Excused</b>	<b>Absent</b>
1	Jason James Chair	X		
2	Rebecca Pelham Vice-Chair	X		
3	Max Wolfe Sturman		X	
4	Stuart Grant	X		
5	Michael Resnick	X		
6	Ismare Monreal	X		
7	Dave Burney			X
8	Michael McDearmaid	X		
9	Renald Fils-Aime			X
10	Adriana Martinez	X		
11	Sam Jean	X		
12	Sara McDevitt	X		
13	Estomene Dorcely	X		
14	Shereen Yee Fong Non-voting			X

**1. Call to Order**

- Opening remarks by Jason James, *Chair*, at 1:41 pm.

**2. Roll Call**

- *Marline Monestime, Acting Board Secretary*

**3. Approval of Minutes**

- *November 9, 2018*
  - *Sam Blatt noted that the word “minutes” appeared after Meeting 35 and would be removed upon approval. Approved 10-0 with amendment*

**4. Special Presentations**

- *Sam Blatt introduced a new DAPAC nominee, Geo Darder, who was in attendance.*

**5. Discussion Items**

- ***Irons Manor Fountain by Sam Blatt, City of North Miami Economic Development Manager***
  - *Sam Blatt gave an update on Irons Manor Fountain and stated that work had begun on the project*
  - *Chairman James requested that staff update the DAPAC as the project progresses*
- ***Liberty Gardens Park by Sam Blatt, City of North Miami Economic Development Manager***
  - *CRA continued the item in December but plan to take up the item in January*
  - *Chairman James requested a copy of the January CRA agenda*

- **TOD Mobility HUB Master Plan**
  - TOD Mobility HUB Master Plan passed unanimously at CRA Board meeting
  - Chairman James thanked the DAPAC members who attended the CRA meeting to speak in favor of the TOD Master Plan and 123<sup>rd</sup> Street station
  - Staff indicated they would invite members of the Junior Council to speak at the next DAPAC meeting
  - DAPAC discussed strategies for advocating for the NE 123<sup>rd</sup> Street station
  - Michael McDearmaid stated that he would schedule a meeting with Jean Monestime to have DAPAC discuss NE 123<sup>rd</sup> Street station
  - Jason James stated that he would reach out to Councilman Desulme about supporting the NE 123<sup>rd</sup> Street station
- **Future Capital Projects**
  - Sam Blatt suggested 5-points park as the next capital project to advocate for that is listed in the Concept Plan
  - Vice Mayor Keys stated that the park was part of a larger project to close off parts of West Dixie Highway and potentially turn the park into a bus stop
  - Jason James asked Sam to speak with John O'Brien, Transportation Planner, about the future project at the location to see how 5-points park will be incorporated

## 6. Sub-Committee Reports

- **Alley walkway, Rebecca Pelham**
  - Vice Chair Pelham gave an overview of the vision and reasoning for the NE 125 Street alleyway improvement project. She stated that she had received a \$15,000 grant from the Miami Foundation to begin phase 1 of the vision
  - Sam stated that a report was being worked on in conjunction with Vice Chair Pelham, Michael Resnick, and Kevin Arietta of Vaco Studios.
  - Vice Mayor Keys stated that it was critical to activate the parking lots being the alleyway to provide parking alternatives for when the on street parking on NE 125 was removed. She also suggested lighting, façade improvements, and discussed ways of getting funding for the project.
  - It was decided to have a Alley clean up and art festival day sometime in March to begin activating the site
  - Geo Darder suggested having artists and art and suggested the name "Alley Art Fair"

## 7. Closing Remarks

- Adriana Martinez suggested having DAPAC table at the Jazz at MOCA on Friday the 28<sup>th</sup>, and Michael McDearmaid volunteered for this role of tabling the location
- The meeting was adjourned at 2:55pm

## 8. Next Scheduled Meeting: Friday, January 11<sup>th</sup> (Museum of Contemporary Art Community Room).

Staff Attended:

Sam Blatt, Economic Development Manager

Marline Monestime, CP&D Technician

Vice Mayor Carol Keys

Minutes taken by: Marline Monestime

Minutes prepared by: Sam Blatt

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