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Council Member Reggie Gaffney Jr., Noticed Meeting

6:00 p.m. - February 21, 2023

117 W Duval Street – Don Davis Room

Minutes

Attendees: Council Member Reggie Gaffney Jr., Steve Diebenow (presenter), JuCoby Pittman (as CEO, Clara White Mission), Ennis Davis (presenter/LaVilla Heritage Chair), several in-person and virtual community members and ECA Roshanda Shine

Convened: 6:00 p.m.

Presentations showcasing LaVilla's past, present and future was presented by Ennis Davis. The proposed Daily's mixed-use project was presented by Steve Diebonow.

Council Member Reggie Gaffney Jr. welcomed and thanked everyone for attending. Pastor Mason gave the invocation.

C/M Reggie Gaffney Jr. stressed the importance of working together to leave with clarity, solutions for the LaVilla area and the community voices heard.

Presentation by *Ennis Davis*.

Discussion from *Steve Diebonow* representing First Coast Energy who took questions and presented an overview of the Daily's mixed-use renderings.

Community Members expressed concerns of some renderings being displayed and the feeling of their voice was not heard from a previous meeting. *Steve Diebonow* assured the community members their voices were heard, and the goal is to dive a little deeper into the community's concerns. *Steve Diebonow* also made it clear that the next DDRB meeting scheduled for Tuesday, February 28, 2023, was not to vote but instead, a workshop to include a plan that the community is looking for.

Community Members continued to express their opposition of the proposed gas station presented by Daily's; their request is to keep the element of LaVilla's history, to keep the knowledge and culture of LaVilla. Focusing the new renderings as that of the presentation presented by Ennis Davis.

JuCoby Pittman, CEO, Clara White Mission mentioned traffic concerns which included fatalities and vehicles running into their business. She expressed ensuring safety and culture is a part of the developer's plans.



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C/M Reggie Gaffney Jr. took questions/read comments from the virtual audience in attendance; community members and presenters responded.

Meeting adjourned: 7:00 p.m.

Minutes prepared by: Roshanda Shine, Executive Council Aide to Jacksonville City Council Member Reggie Gaffney Jr.

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