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Noticed Meeting Minutes

20231023 CM Ken Amaro's October Town Hall Meeting

Monday, October 23, 2023, 6:00 PM.

Topic: This Town Hall Meeting is to provide a forum to continue ongoing discussions of various issues within District 1 between Council Member Ken Amaro and the constituents of District 1.

Location: River City Baptist Church 6801 Merrill Rd Jacksonville FL 32211

Attendance: Council Member Ken Amaro (District 1), Joe Johnson, (ECA City Council District 1), Nina Sickler (Director of Public Works), Daryl Joseph (Director of Parks and Recreation), Karen Nasrallah (Office of Economic Development), and members and constituents of City Council District 1.

Joe Johnson, ECA: Executive Council Assistant Joe Johnson opened the August Town Hall Meeting at River City Baptist Church by welcoming everyone in attendance. Mr. Johnson stated that Council Member Ken Amaro was running late. Mr. Johnson next introduced the Senior Pastor of River City Baptist Church, Byran Samms, to give the opening invocation, and then Mr. Johnson led the meeting in the Pledge of Allegiance.



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Nina Sickler, Director of Public Works: Spoke on various projects throughout District 1, to include the roundabout at Trednick Pkwy and Lone Star Road as well as current status of when the project would commence.

Daryl Joseph, Director of Parks and Recreation: Updated constituents on efforts to update equipment at Blue Cypress, spoke on status of parks within District 1 to include Victory Park.

Karen Nasrallah, Office of Economic Development: Spoke on the Renew Arlington CRA and efforts to advertise grants and funding available to businesses to get their properties up to the new requirements of the CRA before the 2025 deadline.

Ken Amaro, Council Member District 1: Spoke on the status of the Regency Square Mall and the potential sale of the property. As of the time of this meeting, no further information of the buyer or price has been released. CM Amaro also covered requests for a school zone for the IDEA St John's Bluff charter school along University Blvd. A school zone will be established. CM Amaro also discussed the denial of what could have been a nightclub at 926 Arlington Rd, Atlantis Events Center.

Public Comment:

Meeting Adjourned: 7:23 PM



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Minutes: Minutes Completed by Joe Johnson, ECA District 1, Completed on Thursday, August 24, 2023

The written minutes for this meeting are only an overview of what was discussed. For verbatim comments for this meeting, please view a recording of the meeting by going to the following link:

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The following items have been submitted for public record. Please contact legislative services for these items:

1. Meeting Minutes
2. Meeting Notice

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