The Miracle Mile
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An Update from Mary Hayes, Chair - Miracle Mile Project

As we wind down this season, I wanted to give you several very positive updates on what's happening on the Miracle Mile.

Our City of Naples Project Manager, Miguel Flores, provided the update below on how the consultant is progressing with the conceptual master plan for the above ground streetscape on the public realm along the Miracle Mile. Miguel serves as the conduit between the Miracle Mile committee and the consultant. The consultant , LJA, is a full-service engineering consultancy firm that recently purchased Agnoli, Barber & Brundage. We are very pleased with Miguel's communication with the Miracle Mile committee. He is extremely buttoned up and a pleasure to work with on this project.

Here is Miguel's quick update:

"Good afternoon Mary,

I wanted to share some insight from LJA:

Currently, the website is undergoing design. They are attempting to do something similar within budget to the MMC's request and will be sending a link to review when ready. As for the design, LJA has complied aerials along the County's Property Appraiser's property lines and the City's GIS (shape files) to prepare a plan view base map. This is almost complete, for they are inventorying the existing infrastructure on site. It just needs some minor tweaks before review.

A project schedule is being prepared and will be disbursed sometime next week once the City and consultant confirm on some time lines. Should you or anyone on the MMC have any further questions please do not hesitate to ask. Have a good upcoming weekend. Thank you!"

In other City news, I have been in touch with the City Manager regarding the under grounding of utilities which is the number one priority for the developers, the Edgewater Hotel and our residents. Our committee will be discussing this subject with City officials sometime in the future.

I have scheduled individual meetings with our three new members of the City Council; Bill Kramer, Berne Barton and Linda Penniman to provide them with an overview of this project. In addition, we will be providing the latest Miracle Mile update to Mayor Heitmann.

In other news, committee members have been having individual meetings with all the developers on the Miracle Mile. We have met with Anthony Solomon/President of the Ronto Group for the Rosewood Residences (formerly the Mansion House property) and Associate

Founding Member of PACT Real Estate Group, Chris Hanlon. I have met with Blake Gable/CEO Barron Collier Companies for the 2020 GSBN Park Place project as well as Brett Youngquist/CEO Youngquist Brothers, Inc. who is developing 1785 GSBN. Matt Kragh, President of MHK Architecture, has also been very involved. The meetings have been very collaborative. The developers have had some great suggestions on what we should do on the public right of way along the Miracle Mile. Interestingly, all our developers, thus far, are local residents! They are raising their families here in Naples and very much understand how important the boulevard will be to our neighborhood.

Additionally, I had a meeting last week with the GM of the Edgewater Hotel, Laura Radler, and the hotel continues to be very supportive of this effort. We also have a meeting next week with Jay Newman/COO of the Athens Group for the Naples Beach Club/Four Season's Project. In case you missed it, here is Jay Newman's PowerPoint presentation from the MPOA's March Board Meeting. We look forward to continuing to collaborate with all of our stakeholders during the course of this project.

Fox News interviewed our Miracle Mile City Council liaison, Beth Petrunoff, and myself at my office (a picnic bench) in the Mooring's private Beach Park. The interview will be on Fox News Channel 4 tonight at 10:00 and 11:00 as well as during tomorrow morning's Local News broadcasts. LOOK TO YOUR LEFT: Naples Miracle Mile prepares for hurricane season

The Old Naples News article on the Miracle Mile project will be coming out soon in their May issue. For those of you who will be heading home, I will forward you the digital version of that article when it comes out.

And finally, coming soon, your MM team is putting together a customized hurricane preparedness Zoom call exclusively for Miracle Mile residents with some specific guidelines for multi-family communities sometime in late May or early June. We are currently working with the City of Naples and other sources to provide this important information to all of the community Board members and neighborhood Association Presidents to pass along to their residents. Of course, anyone within the City of Naples is welcome to join us on this upcoming Zoom call.

That's all for now. I will continue to give you updates during the off-season. In fact, stay tuned for an upcoming profile of another miracle of a 101 year old resident on the Miracle Mile and his incredible story in late May.

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