

**CODE AND PERMITTING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
ANNUAL REPORT TO CITY COMMISSION
April 21, 2009**

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The Code and Permitting Advisory Committee meets monthly on the second Thursday of every month at 4:00 P.M. The Committee is made up of seven members. There is currently one vacant seat on the Committee awaiting an appointment.

PURPOSE OF COMMITTEE

The Code and Permitting Advisory Committee's purpose is to work with the Code Compliance Staff and provide input from the Community to help develop ideas to improve the Code Compliance and Permitting process.

The Committee reviews City codes and gives recommendations for amendments and improvements.

The Committee reviews new Ordinances and Amendment drafts as completed by Staff and submits comments and recommendations.

The Committee fosters communication between the City and the Community and helps to educate the residents concerning the City codes, Ordinances and City programs and services that are available.

During the year, the Code and Permitting Advisory Committee viewed a presentation explaining the Design Requirements, section 32-453 for the City of Hallandale Beach. After discussions, the Code and Permitting Advisory Committee decided that it is a matter of opinion and freedom of choice to regulate house colors for single family residences.

The Committee discussed alternative driveway surface materials, pervious vs. impervious. Recommendations were made that the City develops a water conservation plan and go green. The City has created a project to study and evaluate how to make City Facilities more energy efficient. The City will be certifying at least two employees to become LEED certified to ensure all our facilities are as efficient as possible so as to strive to be designated Green Facilities. The South Florida Water Management District is currently working on a 2020 Water Conservation Program for South Florida. This project would assist in developing a widespread program to conserve water within the City of Hallandale Beach. The City adopted a resolution to look into adopting a new Green Ordinance.

The Committee discussed amending the Code to restrict the parking of boats and commercial vehicles in residential districts. The consensus was that the current Code is sufficient and should not be more restrictive. They recommended that the City should look into alternative parking for boats and commercial vehicles. The City is developing a vehicle storage lot on Ansin Boulevard. The Storage Lot will provide the City of Hallandale Beach residents an opportunity to yearly lease a parking space for the storage of boats, recreational vehicles and commercial vehicles.

The City Commission adopted by Ordinance the committee's name change, on November 19, 2008. The new name of the committee is "Code and Permitting Advisory Committee".

The Committee reviewed the City draft of the Landscape Ordinance and gave recommendations.

The Committee reviewed draft changes to the Minimum Property Maintenance and Occupancy Code and gave recommendations.

The Committee reviewed draft changes to the Animal Ordinance to include protecting against the cruel treatment of animals by pet shop owners and gave recommendations.

The following committee member resigned from the Code and Permitting Advisory Committee: Ida Scott. The following committee member was removed from the Code and Permitting Advisory Committee: Michael Butler.

The current members of the Code Enforcement Advisory Committee represent residents of various sections of the City.

Respectfully submitted,
Hinda Smith
Chairperson